

SEME

Supplemental Emergency Medicine Experience

SEME is an innovative program funded through the Department of Family and Community Medicine and the Ontario Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care to provide family physicians practicing in smaller and rural communities with a three-month, full time, remunerated fellowship in Emergency Medicine. The SEME program provides a learning structure that is practical and relevant, offering a unique opportunity for comprehensive skills enhancement in Emergency Medicine.

This program is provided in the spring (April-June) and fall (September-December)



SEME PROGRAM CURRICULUM

Program overview

The program is composed of three 4 week rotations: minimum 8 weeks of core clinical emergency work and 2-4 weeks of electives coordinated with approved teaching sites directly by the program. The core clinical placements occur in various ED sites affiliated with the SEME program. These clinical placements provide learners with practical, real-world experiences in order to build advanced management and procedural skills. Elective placements in Anesthesia, Intensive Care, or Trauma complement the ED rotations.

Web-based content

University of Toronto faculty members have created 70 online elearning modules addressing key clinical areas in Emergency Medicine. These modules provide a diagnostic and treatment approach to a wide variety of topics.

Weekly academic day

Learners meet once per week for academic education days that are an integral part of the core program and highly valued by the SEME participants. These educational sessions include interactive seminars in a variety of emergency medicine topics, hands-on procedural workshops, ultrasound sessions, and acute resuscitation simulated scenarios.

Mentorship

Each learner is paired with an experienced emergency physician mentor to provide guidance and support during the program. Mentors are drawn from the faculty of the University of Toronto's Department of Family and Community Medicine (DFCM). The mentor will work with the learner to develop an appropriate learning plan and meet regularly during the course of the program to review the learner's progress and educational experiences.

Pre- and post-course evaluation

Learners will complete a short pre-test at the beginning of the program as a self-assessment tool to guide their learning. A combination of written evaluations and simulated acute resuscitation scenarios will establish learners' cumulative knowledge and skill level progression during the course of the SEME program.

Clinical evaluation

Learners will receive feedback on a regular basis through a combination of shift evaluation forms completed by preceptors and supervisors.

Program completion

Course completion requirements include completion of the 12 weeks of clinical rotations, attendance at the academic education days, and completion of the course evaluation. The SEME program is accredited for 50 Certified Group Learning (Mainpro+) credits after submission of a post course reflection to the CFPC. In addition, the program is recognized towards practice eligibility for application to write the CAC-EM exam.



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