Program Description

The International Fellowship Training Program is a post-graduate medical education program designed to increase the international physician’s knowledge and skills in a particular subspecialty beyond that of a residency training program.

Educational Program

Each clinical department has its own educational program, but most educational activities include frequent bedside rounds, case presentations, clinical research, formal lectures, and teaching conferences.

Available Fellowship Programs at GW

- Anesthesiology Critical Care
- Cardiology
- Clinical Cardiac Electrophysiology
- Critical Care Medicine
- Cytopathology
- Endocrinology
- Gastroenterology
- Geriatrics
- Hematology/Oncology
- Hospice and Palliative Care
- Infectious Diseases
- Interventional Cardiology
- Medical Toxicology
- Nephrology
- Neurophysiology
- Neuroradiology
- Psychosomatic Medicine
- Pulmonary/Critical Care
- Rheumatology
- Sleep Medicine
- Thoracic Surgery
- Vascular/Interventional Radiology
Eligibility Requirements

• Applicants must be American Board certified. Applicants with no American board certification might be evaluated on a case-by-case situation.
• Applicants must be financially sponsored by their government or by a home country health institution.
• Applicants must hold a currently valid certificate issued by the Educational Commission for Foreign Medical Graduates (ECFMG).
• All international fellows must be sponsored on a J-1 clinical visa.
• Applications for fellowship must be submitted to the Office of International Medicine Programs at least eleven months prior to the anticipated start date.

Completed applications must contain:

• Photo
• Curriculum vitae
• Objective statement
• ECFMG certificate
• Copies of USMLE I, II (CS and CK), & III scores
• Medical degree
• Medical school transcript
• Three letters of recommendation (one must come from the residency program director)
• Financial guarantee from the sponsoring institution
• AAMC number

Other General Terms

• Communication of acceptance or denial will be sent from IMP to the applicant with a copy going to the sponsoring institution’s designated person. A letter of acceptance must be provided by the applicant within two weeks after receipt of the offer.
• Upon approval of the position, IMP will develop a Letter of Agreement (LOA) that will dictate the terms of the acceptance. This Agreement must be approved by the sponsor.
• An application for sponsorship of the J-1 visa must also be completed.
• Departmental communications with international fellows must go through IMP and GME.
• Any fellow who is interested in starting his or her training prior to July 1 may contact IMP for additional information about availability of programs.