Program Description

The International Residency Program at the George Washington University School of Medicine and Health Sciences (SMHS) is a graduate medical training program designed to provide a strong clinical experience, as well as a basic overview of the American medical system as it is carried out at SMHS. Residents can expect to participate, with their American colleagues, in the work of a medical school that enjoys an outstanding international reputation for interdisciplinary coordination of education, research, diagnosis and treatment.

Goals

The goal of this program is to provide a strong clinical experience as well as a basic overview of the American medical system as it is carried out at SMHS.
Eligibility Requirements

- Applicants must master written and spoken English.
- Applicants must hold a currently valid certificate issued by the Educational Commission for Foreign Medical Graduates (ECFMG).
- All international residents must be sponsored on a J-1 clinical visa.
- **Applicants must be financially sponsored by their government or by a home country health institution.**

Application Requirements

Internationally sponsored applicants should submit application materials to IMP starting September 15th of the year prior to admission to the program. The application process has two steps:

1. Submit your application through ERAS; and
2. Submit a complete application to IMP with the following documents:
   - Photo
   - Curriculum Vitae
   - Objective Statement
   - ECFMG Certificate
   - Copies of USMLE I & II (CS and CK) Scores
   - Medical Degree
   - Medical School Transcript
   - Three Letters of Recommendation
   - Financial Guarantee from the Sponsoring Institution
   - AAMC Number

Length of Appointment

Residents will be eligible for assignment to the SMHS for a period of no less than one year. The appointment will be effective June 23 or July 1 depending on the specialty. This allows the resident to start the program with other new residents, as well as participate in orientation. Any resident who is interested in starting his or her training prior to July 1 may contact IMP for additional information about availability of programs.