

Advocacy SIG

Advocacy in Medicine (AIM) is a student interest group that serves to keep students on our campus informed about issues that affect physicians and their patients. We also encourage and assist our members in advocating for legislative policies or causes that they are interested in as well as bringing awareness to issues within our Athens community. AIM coordinates with other organizations, like AMWA and AAFP, on legislative efforts. Additionally, we host a nonpartisan voter registration drive yearly to promote improved voting levels amongst medical students.

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GroupMe link:

https://groupme.com/join_group/97433153/WsUGxwHO

Aging and Medicine

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Vice President – Rohan Kanakamedala

Secretary – Afnan Abu Sarar

Treasurer – Afsha Hossain

M3 Rep – Christina Shin

M4 Rep – Delaney Metcalf

American Muslim Medical Student Association (AMMSA)

Afsha Hossain, Afnan Abu Sarar, Maya Akbik, Harris Jamal, Rida Naeem,
Khadeeja Shabbir, Humza Ali, Yaseen Amellal

Asalaamu Alaykum (Peace be upon you) & Welcome!

The AMMSA is a space for students of **ALL** backgrounds, faiths, identities, etc.



Join our GroupMe and follow
IG: @auuga_ammsa



Our Goals

- **Educate** Muslims and Non-Muslims on the principles of Islam
- Be a source of mental, emotional, social, and spiritual **support** for Muslim and Non-Muslim students alike
- **Advocate** for the Muslim Patient and Student
- **Serve** the local Athens community
- Facilitate interfaith events
- Provide mentorship and clinical opportunities
- **Explore** the vast and rich intersections between Islam and Medicine



Events & Opportunities

- Interfaith dinners/panels
- Muslim Physician mentorship, network, and panels
- Talks with renowned guest speakers
- Volunteering with Shifa Clinic Athens
- Ramadan and Eid festivities and dinners
- CP5 for the approach to a Muslim Patient

InshaAllah (God Willing)

"There is no disease that Allah has created, except that He has also created its treatment" - Prophet Muhammad ﷺ (peace be upon him)



The Vision and Voice of
Women in Medicine
since 1915

American Medical **Women's** Association



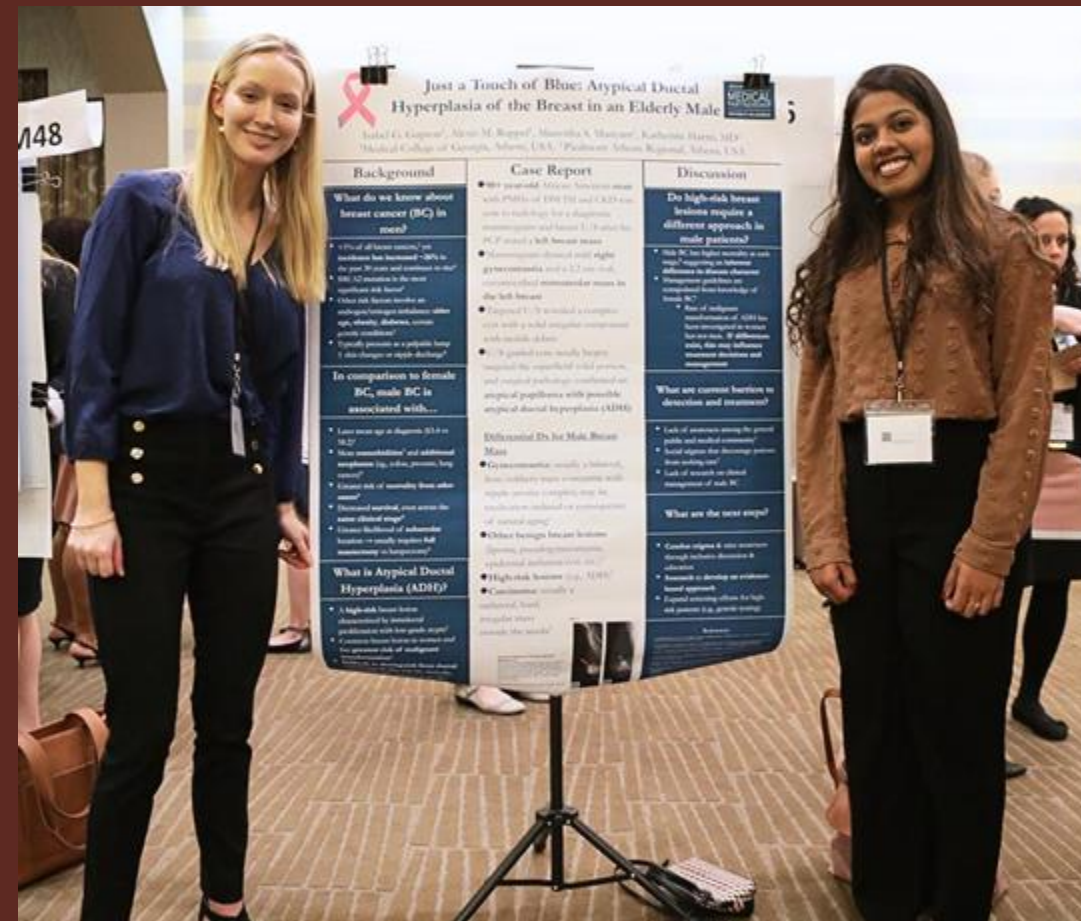
Join the GroupMe



M1 Liaison Application



Advance Women in Medicine
Advocate for Equity
Improve Healthcare



AMWA 2025 Conference in
Waltham, MA
March 28-30, 2025

Anatomy Interest Group

Co-Presidents – Amitesh Aneroao & Brendan Jarvis

Secretary/Treasurer – Rohan Kanakamedala

Anesthesiology Interest Group

Augusta University/University of Georgia Medical Partnership

The Anesthesiology Interest Group (AIG) is a student led organization that intends to provide exposure to the field of anesthesiology for those interested. This organization is led by our SIG Officers James Whelan (President), Sydney Jones (Vice President), Matthew Warth (Secretary/Treasurer), Hunter McWilliams (M3 Liaison), and Dr. Aimee Martin, our faculty advisor. It has been observed that many students within the Medical Partnership have had limited exposure to anesthesiology, as it is not as heavily covered in the first two years of our program as other specialties (general surgery, emergency medicine, etc.). Our interest group intends to address this fact by providing anesthesiology procedural sims, current research and guidelines discussions, and research/shadowing opportunities for our members.

With the help of our more experienced M3 & M4 students and Dr. Aimee Martin, we plan to coordinate with the Medical Partnership's Sim Lab to practice various procedures (eg. intubation and crash airway). We also intend to work with other SIGs that represent specialties that work in close quarters with anesthesia, such as the emergency medicine and surgery interest groups. In previous years, AIG has partnered with emergency medicine to practice chest tube placement on our anatomy lab's cadavers, and we hope to re-enter the anatomy lab for further practice.

Discussion of current research and guidelines provides an excellent introduction to many practices of anesthesiology. Our interest group will plan monthly/bi-monthly research discussions, where food will be catered from local restaurants. These discussions usually range from 5-10 students, and will likely require <\$50 of funding each.

Research and shadowing opportunities are often advertised within AIG's GroupMe, but we will also host Zoom meetings with various anesthesiology clinicians (AAs, CRNAs, MDs). In these meetings, students will be encouraged to ask any questions they may have regarding the practice of anesthesia, pathways towards an anesthesiologist residency, and potential research.

The contact information for our officers and GroupMe links are listed below:

GroupMe: https://groupme.com/join_group/63232738/qciTzHyn

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Asian American Medical Association

Our Goals



Get support from fellow Asian American
Medical Students / Faculty



Engage with Asian American Community



Cultural Social Events



Lots of Food!!!

Contact Us:

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Executive Board:

President: Rachel Byun

Vice President: Andrew Kim

Secretary: Jacob Kim

Treasurer: Lauren Kim

Publicity Chair: Serena Song

Join Us



AU/UGA Partnership Presents:

Black Men MCG

About Us:

We are the AU/UGA Chapter of Black Men MCG +
Black Men in White Coats.

We invite people who are allies and supportive of
the increased representation of black men in
medicine.

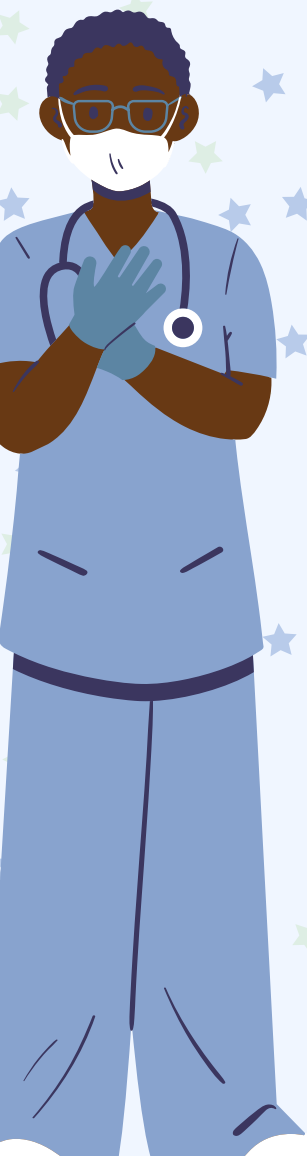
We aim to provide mentorship opportunities,
encourage diversity in medicine, and increase
visibility.

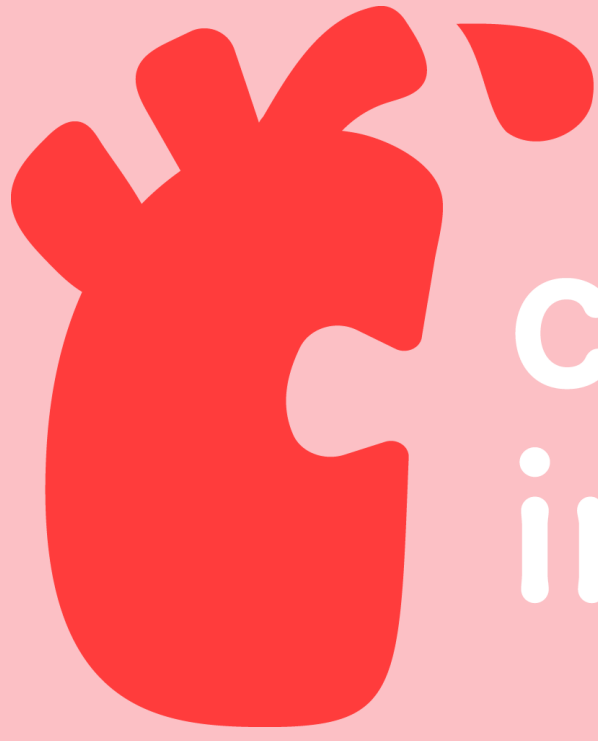


President: Kenny Ume

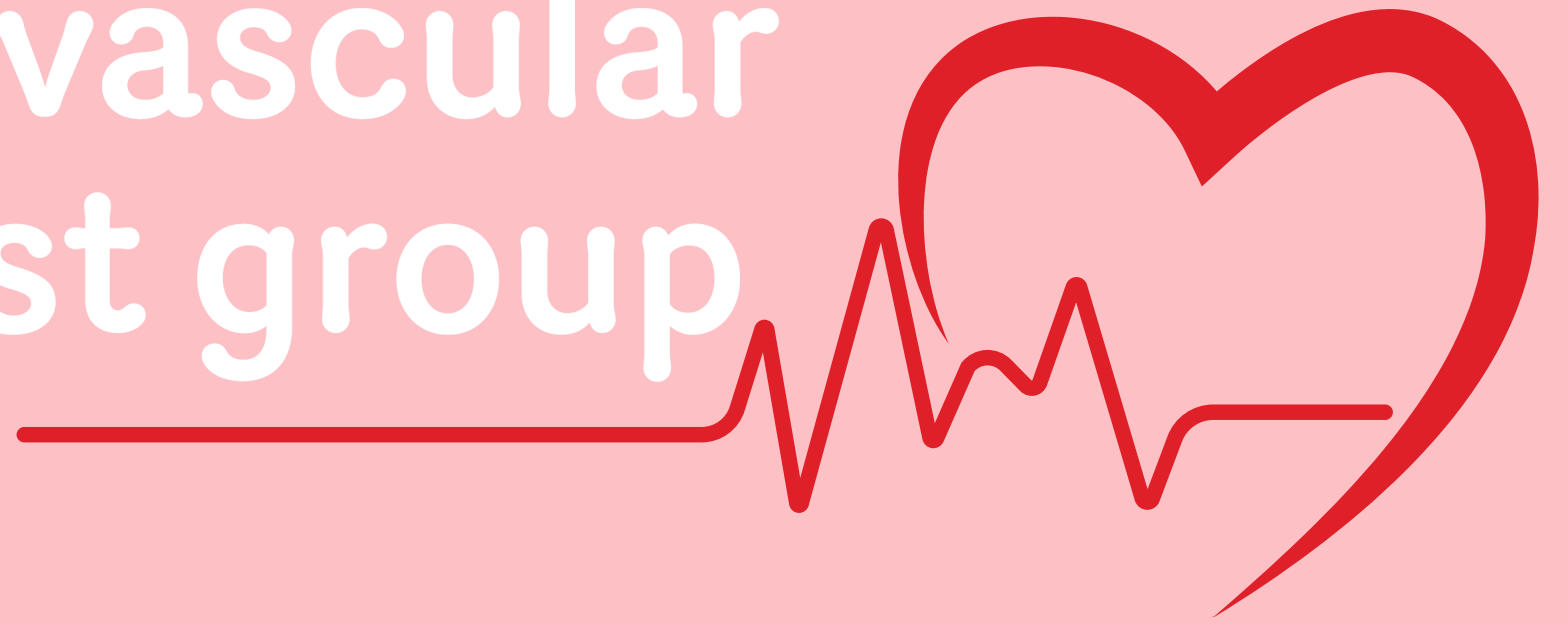
VP: Malkolm Mack

Advisor: Tahisha Sherman





cardiovascular interest group



OUR MISSION:

PROMOTE THE FIELDS OF
CARDIOLOGY, INTERVENTIONAL
CARDIOLOGY,
ELECTROPHYSIOLOGY,
CARDIOTHORACIC SURGERY, AND
VASCULAR SURGERY

EVENTS:

PHYSICIAN SPEAKERS
JOURNAL CLUB / CASE-BASED
LEARNING
FOUNDATIONAL RESEARCH AND
WORKSHOPS

Executive Board

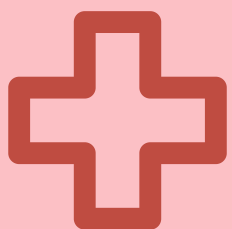


Co-Presidents: Amitesh Anerao / Andrew Kim

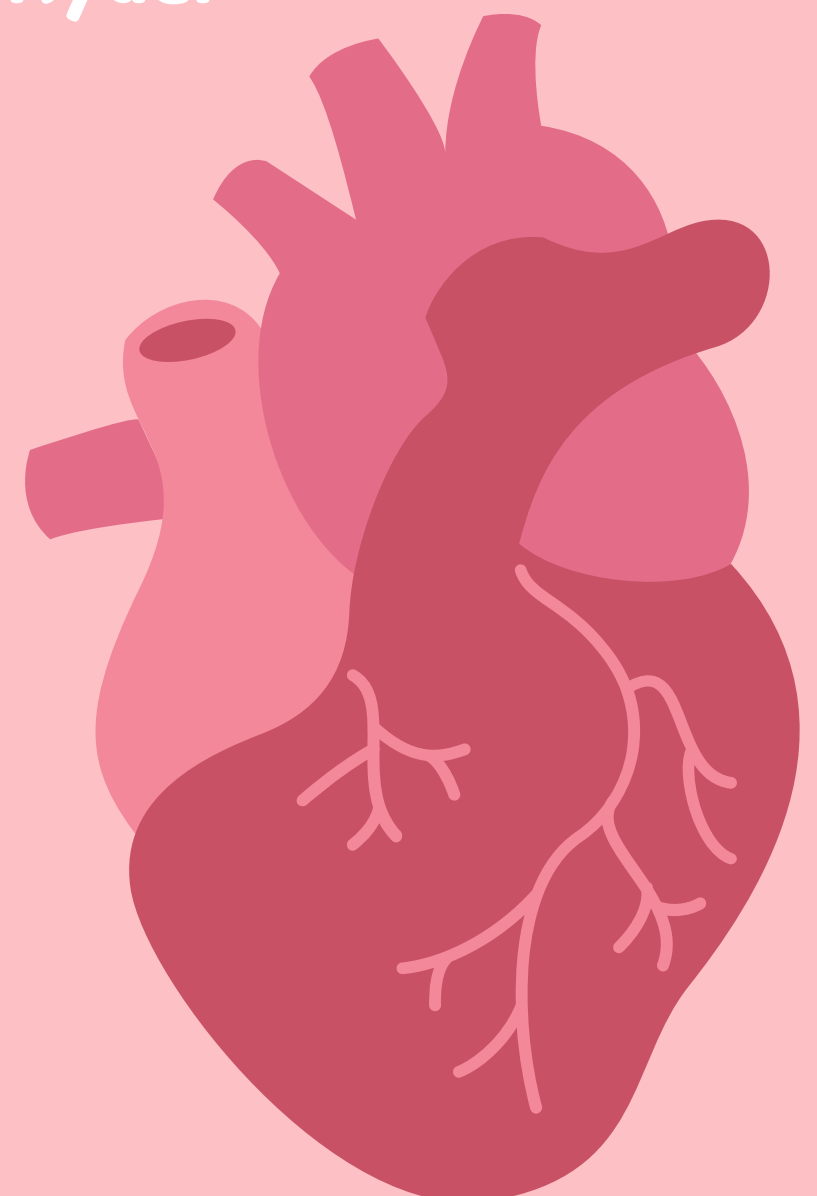
Vice President: Lauren Kim

Secretary/Treasurer: Anna Caroline Paschall

M3 Clinical Chairs: Justin Wolozin and Josie Ryder



JOIN US:



Clinical Research and Innovation Club

Our club promotes interest in clinical and translational research through dialogue and interaction with active physicians and scientists. We also help students get exposure to the breadth of research opportunities available post-matriculation, and how to approach forming their own future research endeavors. Finally, we connect students with physicians and scientists for summer research opportunities.

https://groupme.com/join_group/103238533/P4pUe7qL







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Kenny Ume: Vice President; kume@augusta.edu

Nick Tsavaris: Secretary; ntsavaris@augusta.edu

Community Gardening at the Medical Partnership

Goals

-  Create a community garden at the Partnership
-  Volunteer at community gardens in Athens
-  Nutrition & wellness advocacy/education
-  Cross-Professional Community Engagement
-  Learn gardening skills
-  Wellness beautification





EMERGENCY MEDICINE INTERST GROUP (EMIG)

Our mission is to expose students to
emergency medicine and connect them
to community practitioners through
monthly events

*Questions? Contact Teddy
Campbell at
thecampbell@augusta.edu*

Scan here
to join the
GroupMe:



ENT Student Interest Group 1-Pager

Purpose: Our mission is to educate AU/UGA Medical Partnership students about the medical specialty of otolaryngology and provide connections to local ENT physicians in Athens, GA. We aim to encourage more students to explore ENT as a specialty and host ENT related events on campus. Any medical student, faculty member, administrator, or staff member of the AU/UGA Medical Partnership may be a member. No application and no membership dues will be required.

Goals: Our goals for the 2024-2025 academic year is to increase our presence on campus as well as the Athens community. We plan to have physician and resident panels where those who attend may hear about what physicians did to make themselves competitive applicants for ENT as well as what residency is like and their day-to-day life as practicing physicians. We are also planning to foster relationships with local ENTs in order to work with them on possible research opportunities for students. We are also hoping to host an elective anatomy dissection session where anyone who would like to participate may come into the lab and be led through a dissection by Dr. Giffen through the middle and inner ears. Lastly, we are in communication with the Georgia Hearing Center regarding an event where students can be trained on how to use audiology technology used for formal diagnoses of hearing deficits. With this training we would love to organize an event where members of the Athens community can have free hearing screenings and be referred for treatment if needed.

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Rohan Kanakamedala

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Family Medicine Interest Group

Events & Activities:

- Annual Family Medicine Picnic (ft. panel of local family medicine docs) **coming fall 2024**
- Spring Family Medicine dinner (networking event)
- Fundraising drive collabs with other SIGs
- AAFP events and advocacy opportunities
- Residency Panels
- Future volunteer opportunities

And much more!!

President: Mahima Sangtani
VP: Afsha Hossain
Secretary: Lydia Piendel
Treasurer: Afnan Abusarar
M3 Chairs: Beth Huang
Amanda Lilley
Advisors: Dr. Suzanne Lester
Dr. Lia Bruner
Dr. Kaitlin Meixner

Join the GroupMe here:



"I...discovered that the complexity of family practice is what gives it its intrigue, and the skill required to navigate the field is what makes it an art. The broad scope of the specialty makes it possible for a physician to find a niche that fits his or her unique needs and practice style.

...I believe family medicine is the heart and soul of the medical field.

It encompasses pieces of all the specialties and is the doorway by which many patients get more specialized care...Everything we know about medicine was built on the shoulders of generalists who paved the way for more highly personalized practice.

...family practice goes beyond primary care for the individual. It's about relationships and caring for entire families across multiple generations. It's more than a medical science. There is an art to good bedside manner, to instilling hope, to building confidence, to providing comfort, to educating, to giving counsel and to inspiring change while tailoring treatment plans that are best suited to the patient."

Dr. Bravata,

<https://www.aafp.org/news/blog/freshperspectives/entry/20190619fpwhyfm.html>

Genetics Interest Group

Dive into the Human Body Recipe

- Learn about the field of genetics and its application in medicine
- Opportunities to get involved with clinical genetics programs
- Speakers from diverse specialties
- Networking and research opportunities
- Genetics-themed games and fun times!

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Gold Humanism Honor Society

AU/UGA Medical Partnership

“The Gold Humanism Honor Society (GHHS) recognizes students, residents, and faculty who are exemplars of compassionate patient care and who serve as role models, mentors, and leaders in medicine. GHHS members are peer-nominated and are the ones that others say they want taking care of their own family.”

Arnold P. Gold Foundation

Our Mission At the Partnership

GHHS is composed of third–and fourth-year medical students who are peer-nominated for induction in the Spring of their third year of medical school. As a student-driven organization, we prioritize projects that reflect our members' passions and promote compassion in the Athens community.

This year, we will sponsor several GHHS events and continue strengthening our relationships with local community partners, including **Athens Project Safe, Athens Clarke County Trails and Open Space, and the Athens Community Career Academy**. On campus, GHHS also sponsors the **For the Love of Medicine** series with Dr. Kelly. Beyond local events, our chapter organizes and facilitates national GHHS initiatives, such as **Solidarity Week** and **Thank a Resident Day**.

Throughout the academic year, we strive to recognize “humanism” showcased by our students through peer-led initiatives like **Motivational Mondays**, where classmates can shout out one another for any act of kindness. Once nominated for Motivational Mondays, students become eligible for the **John S. Francis Spotlight Award**.

Please send in your Motivational Monday nominations to the following link:

<https://forms.gle/sYNhgQj5n5UJfwxGA>



Visit our website for more...

<https://ghhsathens.wordpress.com>

Please direct questions to any one of our board members...



Eric Santana
President



Delaney Metcalf
Motivational Monday
& Spotlight Award Coordinators



Sachi Shastri



Wil Evans



Tucker Hickox



Harris Jamal



Chandler Johnson



Shivani Patel



Erik Rosas



Katherine Street

Hematology, Oncology, and Transfusions Interest Group (HOT)

Mission:

- ❖ To help Partnership students learn more about patient-centered cancer care and different hematologic and oncologic specialties

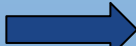
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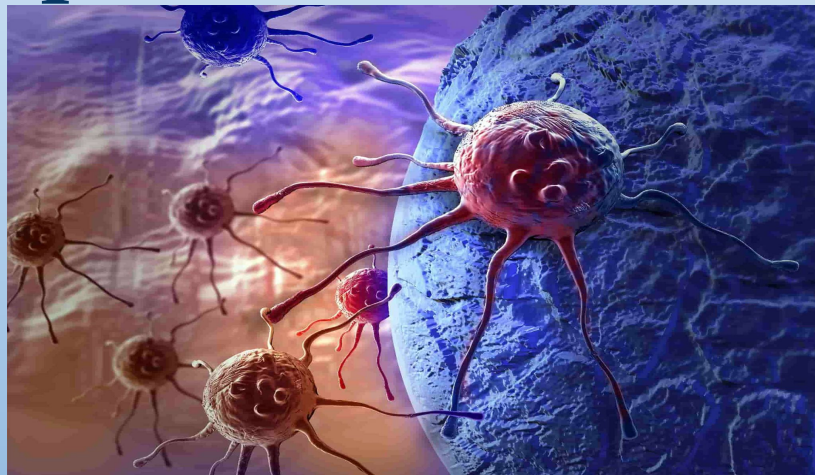
- ❖ Cancer histopathology reviews
- ❖ Educational events for medical students
 - Skin Cancer Identification, etc.
 - Hematologic Disorders Review
- ❖ Fundraisers to increase cancer awareness

Member Benefits:

- ❖ Guidance finding research opportunities
- ❖ Build fun, inter-professional relationships

Open Board Positions:

- ❖ Accepting applications for one M1 representative
- ❖ Apply here! 



Join our group!

- ❖ Scan the QR code to be added to the GroupMe:

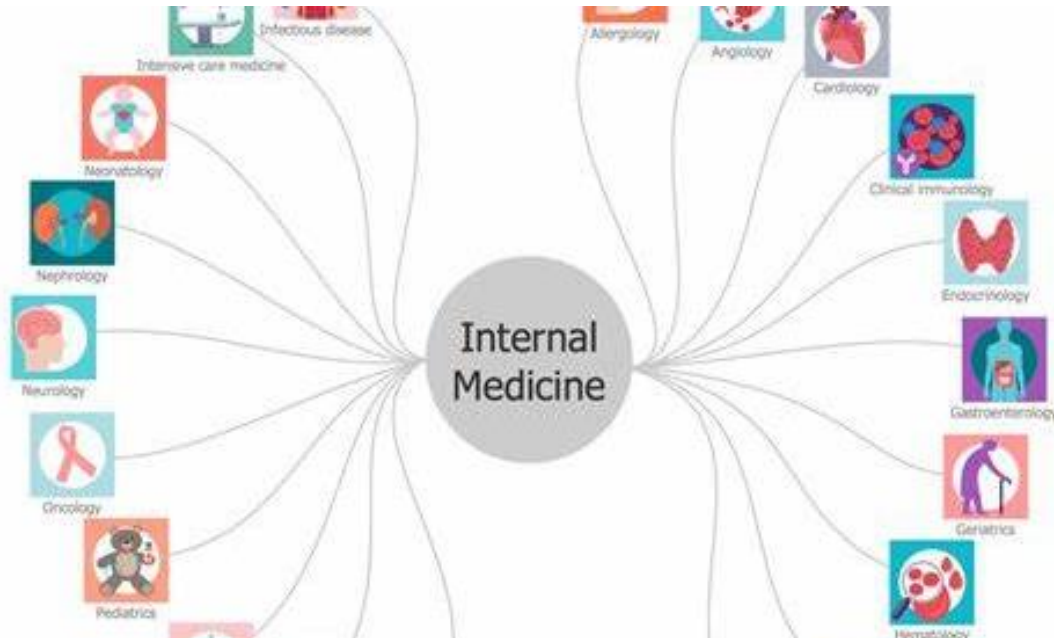


Questions? Email kkeebaugh@augusta.edu or miling@augusta.edu



Internal Medicine Interest Group

Our Mission: is to promote internal medicine and its many subfields. We seek to hold physician speaker events and case report meetings to keep our members informed on the field of IM.



- Board
- President: Amitesh Anerao
- Vice President: Madeleine Ling
- Treasurer/Secretary: Alanna Pimenta

Interprofessional INTEREST GROUP Collaboration

Our organization aims to provide AU/UGA Medical Partnership students with the opportunity to establish meaningful relationships with students from other professional programs in Athens. By building these connections, we strive to enhance mutual understanding, facilitate positive interactions across campus, and cultivate friendships in diverse fields. Additionally, we are committed to promoting exposures to interprofessional relationships, which will be invaluable as we advance in our medical careers and collaborate with professionals from various disciplines

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How to join
our group:



Latino Medical Student Association (LMSA)

President – Clarissa Landaverde Garcia

Vice President – Jordi Lainez



MCO

Medical Campus Outreach

who are we?

a community of medical students and doctors
who meet to grow in relationship/friendship and
explore who God is and who we are through the Bible

what we do:

- monday dinner + Bible study
- meet doctors in the community
- explore the Christian faith
- medical mission trips

MEDICAL ETHICS INTEREST GROUP

Are you interested in reasoning, dialogue, and scholarship in the field of ethics, especially medical ethics?

Join us for lively conversations on such topics as:

Religious Perspectives on Medical Ethics

History of Unjust Medical Practices

Euthanasia

Aristotelian Virtue Ethics

Etc.

For more information, contact:

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GroupMe



Medical Improv

- Learn practical, physician-patient communication skills!
- Fun exploration in a supportive, low-stakes environment!
- Build narratives together, Laugh a lot, Gain confidence!
- Network with healthcare professionals across the globe!



Communication

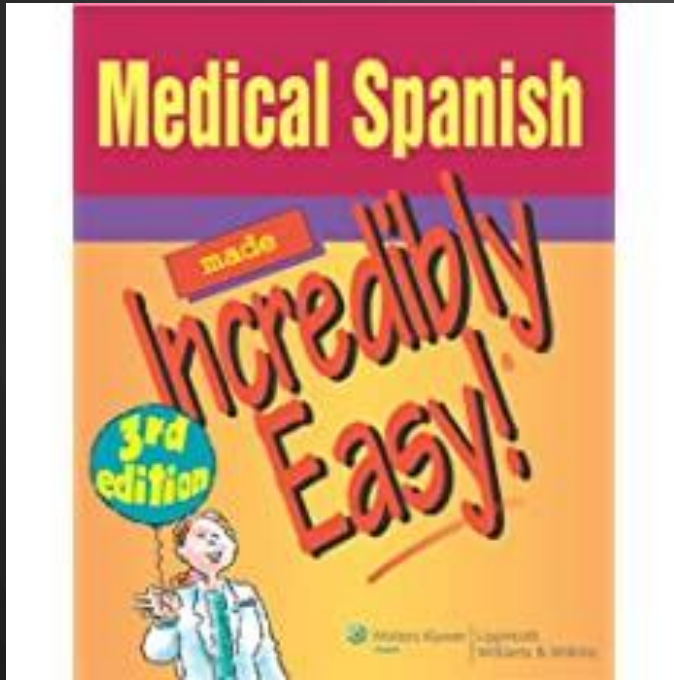
Well-Being

Mindfulness

Active
Listening

GroupMe:





MEDICAL SPANISH INTEREST GROUP

OUR MISSION: TO PROMOTE MEDICAL SPANISH LEARNING, INCLUSIVITY, AND CULTURAL COMPETENCE BY TEACHING STUDENTS HOW TO MANAGE SITUATIONS THAT REQUIRE THE USE OF THE SPANISH LANGUAGE.

Board

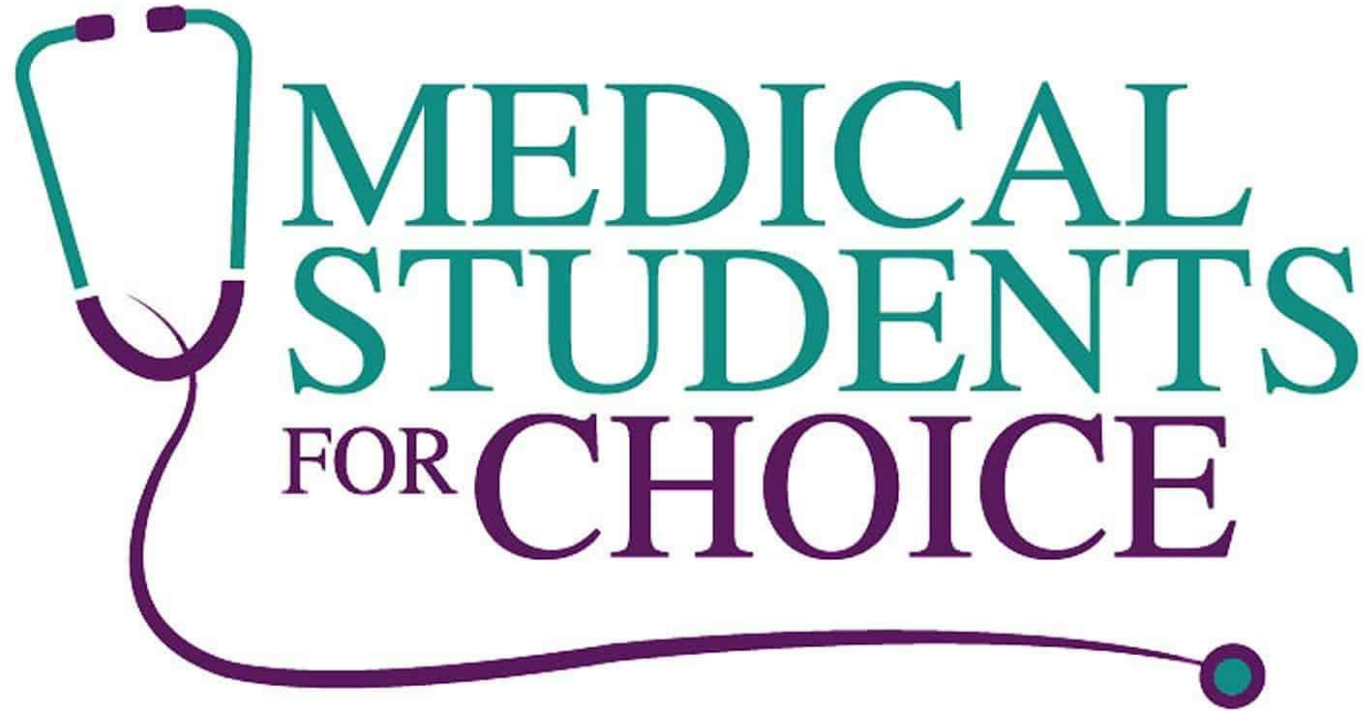
President: Amitesh Anerao

M3 liaison: Quinn Roe

Upcoming Events:

- IUD workshop
- D&C workshop
- Policy discussions

Check out our resource guide:



Join our GroupMe:



President: Channen Mickler

Vice President: Shelby Markeles

We are a group dedicated to reproductive justice and healthcare. We will be hosting workshops, guest lecturers and advocacy events regarding reproductive health.

Secretary: Lexi Foley

Treasurer: Phebe Wright

Medical Simulation Team:

Mission Statement

Our mission is to provide a forum for students to gain exposure to different medical specialties through medical simulations. We hope to give students an opportunity to experience aspects of medicine outside of their pre-clinical curriculum and third-year core rotations, thereby broadening their prospects for future career goals.

Current Members:

President – Sam Coppola, M4	Positions to be filled: Treasurer M3 liason M2 liason M1 liason
Vice President – Chris Rhee, M3	
Secretary – Christine Bruda, M2	

Primary contact information: Sam Coppola – 912-604-5749 or scoppola@augusta.edu

Group membership can be obtained through student interest and there will be no formal application for those wishing to participate in future scheduled MediSim activities, whether that being a participant or a simulation performer.

Past Events:

Pre-med Blood Transfusion Ethical Dilemma

ER Radiology Simulation

Nephrology Simulation

Anesthesia/Airway Management Simulation

Recent Presentations:

Empowering the Next Generation: Value of Medical Simulations in Pre-Medical Education. Samuel Coppola, Chris Rhee, Mehmet Babar, Christine Bruda, Agnes Kim, Rajashri Manjunath, Leonard DeRamus MPAC PA-C. Poster presented at AAMC Regional Medical Campus Conference; June 3-5th 2024; Washington, DC.

Empowering the Next Generation: Value of Medical Simulations in Pre-Medical Education
 Samuel Coppola M4, Chris Rhee M3, Mehmet Babar M4, Christine Bruda M2, Agnes Kim M3, Rajashri Manjunath M4, Leonard DeRamus MPAC PA-C
 Augusta University/University of Georgia Medical Partnership, Athens, GA

Introduction

- There is a wide swath of career paths that medical students can choose to undertake after medical school, and it is particularly difficult to gain exposure to various fields/specialties in the preclinical years.
- We attempted to rectify this through utilizing simulation encounters as a means of introduction to different specialties earlier in the curriculum.
- At the end of the year, we gathered student reactions to the cases, as well as what barriers impeded participation & what specialties/procedures they would like to see implemented.

Methods

- Created and put on 4 simulations over the course of the academic year themed towards a specific specialty or clinical skill:
 - Transfusions
 - Neurology
 - Nephrology
 - Anesthesiology
- Simulations were advertised towards M1-3 students.
- Pre-learn introduction PowerPoints were created & provided.
- M4 "experts" were recruited to assist during simulations as well as answer questions in a post-sim Q&A.
- Event feedback forms were provided to participants.
- End-of-the-year survey created for feedback regarding simulation reactions, interests, & barriers.

Results

Student Reactions to Simulation Characteristics & Emotional Responses (n=21)

Student Reactions to Simulation Skill Reinforcement (n=21)

Discussion

- All students polled agreed that simulations reinforce clinical knowledge & boost teamwork skills.
- The most strongly agreed to result was for simulations to align with weekly learning objectives.
- The most disagreed & strongly disagreed result was debriefing sessions being stressful.
- The most requested specialties for further simulation were internal medicine, OB/GYN, & emergency medicine (60.7% of responses).
- The biggest polled barrier to simulation attendance was time conflicts with other class activities.
- When asked about specific procedures that students may want to practice in simulations, more than 70% selected 6 of the 8 options.

Future Considerations

- Students seem to value the material of simulations, being related to current curriculum and integrating some form of skill/procedure.
- Focusing on broadening awareness of upcoming simulations appears to be beneficial for boosting simulation participation.

METTA



Medical Education and Therapy Through Art



Overview

METTA is a Student Interest Group at the AU/UGA Medical Partnership that aims to enhance medical education and promote wellness through hands-on art activities.

What We Do

Past events include recreating heart embryology with playdough, watercolor painting in the botanical gardens in Athens, and drawing out the brachial plexus. We love collaborating with other groups too, such as reproducing eye muscles with the Ophthalmology Interest Group!

How To Join

Follow our Instagram here: [@medpartnershipMETTA](#)

METTA has no official GroupMe; we promote all of our activities to the entire M1 and M2 classes! If you are interested in joining the leadership team, contact the current officers:

Ashley Machan, email: amachan@augusta.edu





Medical Partnership Service Initiative (MPSI)

Our mission is to provide outreach and serve our campus, community and each other by leaving a lasting positive impact!

Executive Board

President: Andrew Kim
Vice President: Teddy Campbell
Secretary: Parker Vaughan
Publicity/Social Media Chair: Serena Song

Future Events

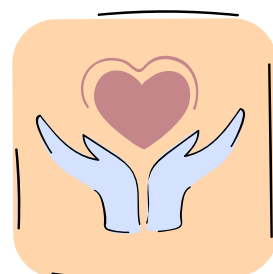
- Habitat for Humanity
- Diaper Drive and Packing
- Homeless Shelter Soup Kitchen
- Professional Clothes Drive / Campus Food Pantry




Contact Us

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Join Us!





MSK Interest Group



Join the GroupMe!

We aim to provide exposure to specialties pertaining to Musculoskeletal (MSK) and hope to foster collaboration between students interested in MSK specialties. We work to promote joint efforts among future health care personnel and spark interest within MSK disciplines. These specialties include, but are not limited to: orthopaedics, sports medicine, neurology, rheumatology, PM&R, radiology, physical therapy, etc. We want students understand the wide variety of specialties available to a student that enjoys working with the musculoskeletal system of the body. This group also hosts anatomy review sessions related to lab practical exams and curriculum content during the MSK module.

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Join our GroupMe to stay updated on events pertaining to MSK-related specialties!

Music in Medicine SIG

ARE YOU PASSIONATE ABOUT MUSIC AND LOOKING FOR
A WAY TO SHARE YOUR TALENTS WITH THE COMMUNITY?

JOIN THE MIM SIG!

ALL SKILL LEVELS WELCOME

*IF YOU PLAY BASS/DRUMS OR KNOW A
BASSIST/DRUMMER, PLEASE CONTACT
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JOIN OUR GROUPME!!

[HTTPS://GROUPME.COM/JOIN_GROUP/104338928/BV2T9EQI](https://groupme.com/join_group/104338928/BV2T9EQI)



Have Questions?
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Neurological Surgery

Student Interest Group

Meetings

When:

First Tuesday of
each Month

Where:

TBA in Russell
Hall

Main Goals

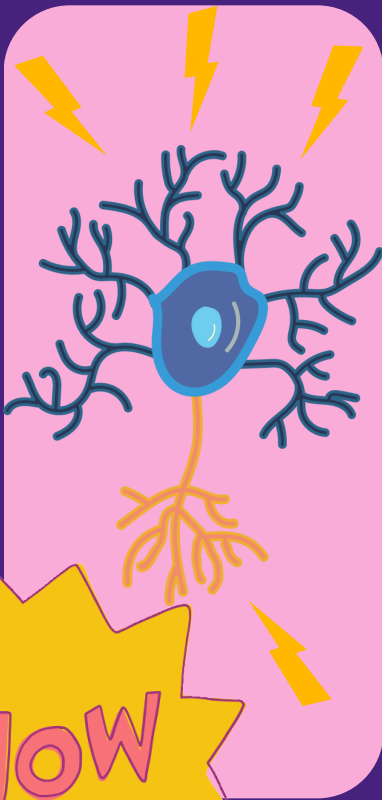
Introduce the
field of
neurosurgery

Discuss current
research in the
field

Meet and learn
from guest
speakers

Join our
GroupMe





The One and Only:

STUDENT INTEREST GROUP OF NEUROLOGY

also known as SIGN



Through monthly events, SIGN provides ample opportunities to learn about the science and lifestyle of neurologists.

Club Highlights:

- Guest Speakers
- Tutoring
- Group Collabs
- Fun!

GROUPME!



EMAIL ALAINA MOORE (ALAMOORE@AUGUSTA.EDU) OR KHADEEJA SHABBIR (KSHABBIR@AUGUSTA.EDU) IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS



OB/GYN Interest Group

Events for this year:

Wine & GYN

Sim US Workshop

Contraception Workshop

Recently matched M4 panel

OB/GYN Subspecialty Panel

Mentor match (in the works!)

Leadership

President: Lexi Foley
VP: Afsha Hossain
Secretary: Megha Sequeira
Treasurer: APPLY
M3 Chair: Jordan Beil & Jasmine Lake
M4 Chair: Jordan Mixon
Advisor: Dr. Lara Hart

Join our Groupme!

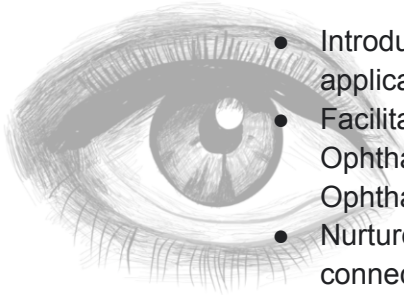


Apply for exec!
Treasurer & M1
liaison positions
available!
Applications due
9/20



Ophthalmology Student Interest Group

The Ophthalmology Student Interest Group (OSIG) encompasses three main goals:



- Introduce students to the field of Ophthalmology and review the application process and timelines for a path in Ophthalmology.
- Facilitate medical learning and education with an emphasis on Ophthalmology by recommending and providing resources used by Ophthalmologists.
- Nurture a supportive community through collaboration and create connections through networking events.

Past events include Q&A with Ophthalmologists in the Athens area, pig eye dissection, match panel with M4 students to discuss the road to Ophthalmology residency, workshop to create models of the eye and extraocular muscles, and many more!

Students interested in exploring the field of Ophthalmology and fulfilling the purpose of our group are encouraged to join by reaching out to a member of our 2024-2025 Executive Board:

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The Ophthalmology Student Interest Group is creating a primer featuring common diseases and basic "know-hows" in ophthalmology. The purpose is to give students more exposure to ophthalmology, facilitating more interest and learning in the field. The primer will be updated bimonthly, on the first and third Monday of each month.

Past articles can be found [here](#).

Contact jukeener@augusta.edu if you're interested in writing a piece!



Orthopedics Interest Group



Join the GroupMe!

We aim to provide a comprehensive introduction to one of the most competitive surgical specialties. We want to offer a transparent perspective to medical students on the pros and cons of orthopaedics, while also learning more about the diverse opportunities available in the specialty. Additionally, this group is rooted in building relationships with orthopaedic surgeons and gaining mentorship. Additionally, we want students to understand the application process and provide advice to those interested in orthopaedics. This would include helping students understand the research demand and how to set themselves up for the best success when they apply.

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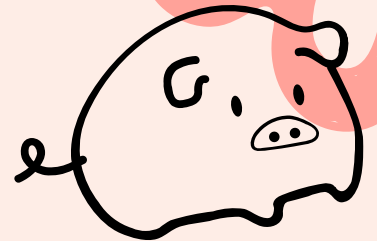
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Pediatrics Interest Group

DO YOU WANT TO...

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- explore the field of pediatrics?
 - practice skills for working with babies, kids, and teens?
 - serve children in our community?



our events will include...
service at local elementary schools & with inpatient kids
pediatrics skills sessions
panel with residents and sub-specialists

JOIN HERE!

Contacts:

Co-Presidents: Christine Bruda & Trey Lee Orndorff

VP of Finances: Sophia Tran

VP of Service and Outreach: Dae Guang Chung Kim

VP of Event Planning: David Tran

Faculty Advisor: Dr. Tresa Chappell



What is lifestyle medicine?

- Lifestyle medicine operates from a holistic health approach with the goal being to treat the root causes of health issues rather than the symptoms. The body is a complex system and must be treated as such!
- Six pillars of Lifestyle Medicine: nutrition, physical activity, managing stress, relationships/social support, sleep & restoration, and avoidance of risky behaviors

What is the point of lifestyle medicine (& PHLem)?

- Helps a physician in addressing their future patient's health by empowering them with the information they need to regain control of their health
- Also benefits you as an individual! We must take care of ourselves to properly take care of others
- Learn mindfulness techniques to help you in all aspects of your life. Remember that where attention goes energy flows. Learn to neurosculpt new perceptions & positively impact your brain's neuroplasticity.

GroupMe QR Code:



Calendar of Events QR Code:



Physical Medicine & Rehabilitation

President – Youssef Mohamed

Vice President – Nick Tsavaris

Secretary/Treasurer – Sean Mahajan

Plastic & Reconstructive Surgery Interest Group

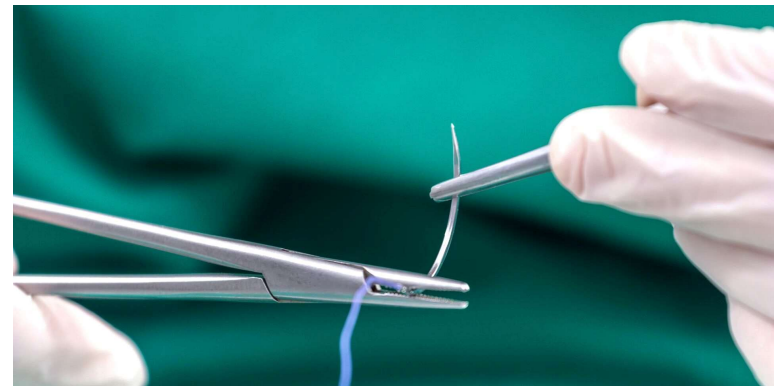
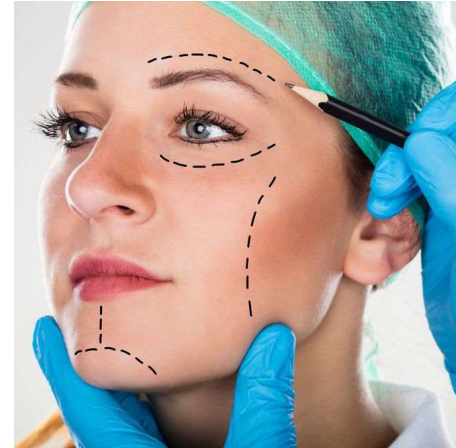
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Events:

- **RESEARCH**
- Cadaver Aesthetic Suturing Workshop
- Tendon Transfer Reconstructive Hand Cadaver Lab
- Surgical Scrub Workshop
- Club mixer!



M1
Liaison



Pre-Med Advising Interest Group

Who We Are

The Pre-Med Advising Interest Group is a student-led initiative where medical students provide mentorship and guidance to pre-med students. Our mission is to offer support, share insights, and help aspiring medical students successfully navigate the medical school application process.

What We Offer

We host two main activities throughout the academic year to give pre-med students the opportunity to interact with medical students and prepare for their medical school journey:

1. Drop-In Advising Sessions

Throughout the fall and spring semesters, we hold drop-in advising events where pre-med students can meet medical students. These sessions offer a relaxed and informal environment where you can:

- Share your experiences with the pre-med path, including courses, MCAT prep, extracurriculars, and medical school applications.
- Provide insight into the life of a medical student and what to expect in medical school.
- Offer tips on work-life balance, managing stress, and building a strong application profile.

2. Fall Practice MMI (Multiple Mini Interview)

In the fall, we host a Practice MMI Event, where pre-med students can participate in mock MMI interviews conducted by medical students. This is a great opportunity to:

- Provide personalized feedback on student responses using your experiences.
 - Practice your teaching skills including critical thinking, ethical reasoning, and communication skills in a supportive environment.
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Why Join Us?

- **Give Back:** This is your chance to help others by offering guidance and clarity to future medical students.
 - **Develop Teaching Skills:** By explaining concepts, sharing advice, and offering feedback, you'll refine your own communication and mentorship skills, essential for a future in medicine.
 - **Build Your CV:** Being involved in Pre-Med Advising Interest Group not only gives you leadership experience but also demonstrates your commitment to education, service, and the medical community.
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Why Your Participation Matters

As a medical student, your insights can have a profound impact on pre-med students. By offering advice, sharing resources, and mentoring, you'll be helping the next generation of physicians prepare for the challenges ahead. Plus, you'll grow as a mentor, leader, and communicator—skills that will be essential throughout your medical career.

Psychiatry Interest Group

Our goal is to organize activities and events focused on learning about psychiatry and promoting mental wellness.



Learn about the fields of psychiatry and mental health



Medical school mental health events



Network with professionals and peers



Learn how to navigate the application

What we do:

- Discuss topics in psychiatry and neuroscience
- Host speakers
- Host reading groups
- Network with psychiatrists, colleagues
- Support student mental health

Want to become a member?

Join our GroupMe!



Questions? Please contact one of the 2024-2025 officers:

- President: Khadeeja Shabbir
- Vice-President: Joshua Goeltz
- Secretary/Treasurer: Shelby Markeles
- M1 Liaison: TBD
- M2 Liaison: Malkolm Mack
- M3 Liaison: Olivia Erickson
- M4 Liaison: Eden Hazzett

Radiology Interest Group

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Proposed events

- Local radiologist speaker events (diagnostic radiology, breast radiology, MSK, etc)
- SIM IG Collabs: see what it's like to be a radiologist reading CTs, X-rays, MRIs, and doing an ultrasound-guided biopsy
- Current event/literature discussion and snacks

*images all from radiopaedia.org

The goal of this group is to introduce medical students early on to the practice of radiology and special topics in the field.

Board members

President: Sydney Jones
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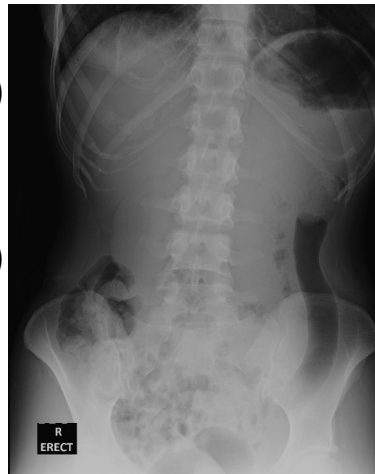
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SKINterest Group

About Us

We are the dermatology interest group at the UGA/AU Medical Partnership. We invite those interested in the dermatology specialty.

Upcoming Events:

- MCG Faculty/Resident Panel
- Nevi Talk from a local PA/MD

Open Positions:

- M1 Liason
- apply here:



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Group Me:



SPORTS MEDICINE INTEREST GROUP

Activities/Events

- Guest speaker sessions
 - Sports medicine orthopedic surgeon
- Case studies on athletic injuries
- Sports Physical Clinic Collaboration with CPH
- Research/Network Opportunities

What is Sports
Medicine?

Our Team

- **President:** Corbin Lewallen
- **Vice President:** Nick Tsavaris
- **Secretary/Treasurer:** Mahima Sangani
- **Event coordinator:** Brendan Jarvis
- **M4 Liaison:** Mitch Lomis
- **M3 Liaisons:** Khase Willis and Callen Davidson
- **M1 Liaison:** Andrew Ferrar

Sports medicine is a branch of healthcare that focuses on the diagnosis, treatment, prevention, and rehabilitation of injuries related to physical activity, exercise, and sports. It encompasses a wide range of specialties including primary care sports medicine physicians, orthopedic surgeons, and physiatrists (PM&R)



SNMA



Diversifying the Face of Medicine



The Student National Medical Association is committed to supporting current and future underrepresented, minority medical students addressing the needs of underserved communities and increasing the number of clinically excellent, culturally competent, and socially conscious physicians.

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The SNMA at the AU/UGA Medical Partnership works toward this mission by:

- Promoting the interests of underrepresented communities locally and regionally in the educational and healthcare field.
- Looking for community opportunities that can uplift underrepresented communities and make an impact on the immediate community.
- Hold workshops and events aimed at younger individuals with the intention of increasing minority representation in the medical field.

SNMA is open to all medical students who believe in and want to further the Mission.

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For more information, please go to: snma.org or reach out to Barquiesha Madison at bmadison@augusta.edu

Scan the QR code to join the groupchat!



Join our GroupMe



President: Kenny Ume
VP: Andrew Kim
Secretary: Nick Tsavaris
Treasurer: Teddy Campbell
Event Coordinator: Mahima Sangtani
M1 Liasons: Dhruv Bhagat, Krishie Desai



SURGERY INTEREST GROUP

About Us:

- We are the Surgery Interest Group at the AU/UGA Medical Partnership.
- We invite those who have an interest in any surgical specialty to join.
- Events:
 - Q/A + Dinner with Dr. Tally
 - Suture Clinics
 - Ted Talks with local surgeons of varying subspecialty



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