FAMILY MEDICINE CLERKSHIP COURSE DESCRIPTION
(FM01)

A required four-week clinical clerkship in Family Medicine is offered at the Hubert Humphrey
Comprehensive Health Center which offers a wide variety of different patient demographics.

The goal of this clerkship is for the student to learn family-centered primary health care that is humanistic,
comprehensive, cost-effective, continuous, and sensitive to psychosocial, ethical, and financial issues.
Because family physicians take care of families, the clerkship will include family dynamics, the family's
influence on health, and the impact of illness on the family.

Our clerkship provides an opportunity for students to learn about the diagnosis and management of
patients with common problems. Students will be expected to learn a comprehensive approach to the
patient with these problems that entails consideration of etiology, incidence, pathophysiology, clinical
presentation, course, prognosis, treatment, and appropriate aspects of patient education, disease
prevention, and health promotion. Students should develop sensitivity to social, familial, ethical, legal,
cultural, and economic issues encountered in an ambulatory setting.

The clerkship is a predominantly ambulatory-based experience. Students see patients within the
ambulatory setting. All the students are scheduled to attend lectures, discussions and workshops held on
Wednesdays at the clinic. These sessions are designed to be interactive and to promote enjoyment in
learning. All the students are scheduled to attend didactic sessions at UCLA every Friday. There are no
calls.

The final evaluation of the student is based on clinical performance at the assigned site, a final written
exam, participation in the didactic group, and a case write-up.

Evaluation and Grading:
Students evaluate the clerkship through the standard UCLA evaluation system. Feedback is provided to
the clerkship twice in a year.

Faculty evaluation of students and Clerkship Director grading is done via the electronic evaluation
system. The criteria used in determining the final grade are the ward evaluation, oral presentation and a
written examination. Mid-cycle evaluation of students is provided for improvement of performance.

Clerkship Director: Chancelor Daniel, M.D.

Criteria for Letters of Distinction
In order to receive a Letter of Distinction in the Family Medicine Clerkship, the student must meet the
following criteria:

1) The student must pass the clinical component.
2) The student must pass the written exam. The final exam grade must be 80th percentile or above.
3) The student must pass the PowerPoint presentation.