

Career Planning Elective: Radiation Oncology

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Other teaching faculty involved in this rotation: *Dr. Roland Hawkins and Dr. Mini Elnagger*

Hospitals/Sites for this rotation: *Ochsner Baptist Hospital and Ochsner Main Clinic, Jefferson Highway.*

On the first day of this rotation, the students should report to: *Diane Couch/ Dept. of Radiation Oncology 1514 Jefferson Highway, 1st Floor. Immediately on learning of one's assignment to this rotation, students should contact Audra Detillier at 842-3267 in Ochsner's UME office so that the necessary paperwork can be completed.*

Goals/Objectives for this rotation:

Students will get an introduction to the field of oncology and management of the most common malignancies. They will understand the importance of using a multidisciplinary approach to treatment of the cancer patient. They will gain an appreciation of the field of Radiation Oncology and the effects of radiotherapy on normal and malignant tissues. They will also receive further instructions on physical exams and evaluating radiological studies.

Didactics schedule for students on this rotation:

Students must attend Surgery Orientation on the first day of the 12 week block and take the Surgery shelf examination at the end of the 12 week block regardless of their elective subblock. Students must attend Surgery didactics lectures and Cohn Conference every Thursday from 10:00 am to 12:30 pm. In addition, students are required to attend their Surgery tutorial groups and simulation laboratory (if their sim lab date falls during their elective) during this rotation. They will also attend LSU multidisciplinary tumor board – Tuesday 7 am at LSU interim hospital and Multidisciplinary Breast clinic – Thursday 7 am Ochsner Clinic

What clinical responsibilities will the students have, including typical hours?

Typical hours are 8 am to 4 pm except for Conferences. Students will evaluate new patients for possible radiotherapy and will follow established patients who are currently receiving treatment. The students will not be required to take call.

Evaluation of students on this rotation: *Standard OME evaluation form*

Dr. Scroggins will be responsible for evaluating the students on this rotation.