

## **Required Competencies**

### **Required Competency 1**

- Patient Care and Procedural Skills
  - Health Care Professionals must be able to provide patient care that is compassionate, appropriate, and effective for the treatment of health problems and the promotion of health.
  - Students must complete a **minimum** of 100 shadowing/volunteering hours for MCG and 75 clinical hours and 75 non-profit volunteer hours for DCG.

### **Required Competency 2**

- Basic Science Knowledge
  - Health Care Professionals must demonstrate knowledge of established and evolving biomedical, clinical, epidemiological, and social-behavioral sciences
  - Students must meet minimum yearly academic requirements (minimum GPA).

### **Required Competency 3**

- Practice-based Learning and Improvement
  - Health Care Professionals must demonstrate the ability to investigate and evaluate, appraise, and assimilate scientific evidence, and to continuously improve future patient care based on constant self-evaluation and life-long learning.
  - Students must develop skills and habits commensurate to meet the following:
    - Identify strengths, deficiencies, and limits in one's knowledge and expertise.
    - Incorporate formative evaluation feedback into daily practice and set improvement goals.
    - Use information technology to optimize learning.
    - Participate in the education of others including students, patients, families, and health professionals when applicable.

#### **Required Competency 4**

- Interpersonal and Communication Skills
  - Health Care Professionals must demonstrate interpersonal and communication skills that result in the effective exchange of information and collaboration with others.
  - Students must:
    - Communicate effectively with colleagues, faculty, the public, patients and families, as appropriate across a broad range of socioeconomic and cultural backgrounds.
    - Work effectively as a member or leader of a team or other pre-professional group.
    - Maintain comprehensive, timely, and legible assignments and communications.
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  - Students meeting minimum program requirements will be assigned an interview date and must successfully complete an interview.
    - With MCG in fall of the Junior year.
    - With DCG in fall of the Junior year.

#### **Required Competency 5**

- Professionalism
  - Health Care Professionals must demonstrate a commitment to carrying out professional responsibilities and an adherence to ethical principles.
  - Students must demonstrate:
    - Compassion, integrity, and respect for others
    - Responsiveness to others needs that supersedes self-interest
    - Respect for patient privacy and autonomy
    - Accountability to colleagues, faculty, and society which aligns with a future profession in medicine/dentistry
    - Sensitivity and responsiveness to a diverse patient population, including but not limited to diversity in gender, age, culture, race, religion, disabilities, and sexual orientation