

Department of Surgery  
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Residency Training Program  
Visiting Medical Student Elective  
**Brochure**



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## Program Description

The Duke University Medical Center and Affiliated Institutions Orthopaedic Residency Training Program is under the direction of William T. Hardaker, Jr., M.D., Associate Professor of Orthopaedic Surgery and Program Director. Dr. James A. Nunley, II is Professor and Chief of Orthopaedic Surgery.

Our Program is five years in length and the PGY-1 year consists of rotations in the subspecialties at Duke in keeping with the requirements of the ABOS/ACGME. Eight resident trainees are appointed each year. In addition, three clinical fellows in orthopaedic hand, upper extremity, and microvascular surgery, sports medicine and foot and ankle, and one each in spine, adult reconstructive, and trauma surgery are appointed.

The assigned rotations during the PGY 2 and 3 years of Orthopaedic training are at Duke, the Durham Veterans Administration Hospital (a Dean's unit), and Durham Regional Hospital. At each hospital, residents are assigned to teams concentrating on adult and pediatric orthopaedic surgery, which includes spinal surgery, microvascular surgery, sports medicine, oncology/rehabilitation, adult and pediatric trauma, adult reconstruction, foot and ankle, and hand/upper extremity including replantation. Each resident is assigned to a rotation in Basic Science during the second year, and this rotation includes teaching experience in orthopaedic anatomy and pathology.

The full-time Orthopaedic Faculty at Duke participates in resident training, private practice, clinical and laboratory research, community medical activities, and in outlying clinics which provide adjunctive orthopaedic service throughout the State of North Carolina. Residents participate actively in these clinics, as well as research projects undertaken by faculty members.

Each faculty member is devoted to one or more subspecialties which include amputation management, anatomy, arthritis, arthroscopy, complex trauma, foot surgery, hand and upper extremity reconstruction, joint implants, microvascular/transplantation surgery, orthopaedic oncology, pediatric orthopaedics, scoliosis, spinal cord injuries, spine disease and injury, and sports medicine. Research rotations are possible through the Orthopaedic Research Laboratories, which are supervised by faculty members, and coordinated and administered by full-time laboratory personnel. The main areas of research are cartilage repair and tissue engineering, biomechanics of joints and joint implants, cell biology, imaging of the musculoskeletal system, intervertebral disc degeneration and repair, outcomes studies, nerve and muscle regeneration, arthritis, and prosthetics. Resident participation in research projects are an important component in this program.

Resident clinical work is supervised by faculty members, and each resident receives graduated responsibility in managing orthopaedic patients in the clinics and in the operating room. Residents participate in instructing medical students, physical therapists, physicians' associates, undergraduate students, and other orthopaedic residents. This teaching experience is an important aspect of their orthopaedic training. Over 12,000 orthopaedic surgical procedures are performed at Duke each year and over 80,000 out-patients are seen. A broad operative and clinic experience are also received at the affiliated hospitals. During the PGY-4 year of orthopaedic training, one-half of the residents complete six months of pediatric orthopaedics at the Children's Healthcare of Atlanta at Scottish Rite in Atlanta, Georgia under the supervision of Dr. Jorge A. Fabregas, three months of hand/foot/spine/oncology experience at Duke and three months of adult and rehabilitation experience at the Durham Veterans Administration Hospital. The other PGY-4 residents receive six months of pediatric orthopaedics at Duke under Dr. Robert D. Fitch, and six months of adult and rehabilitation experience at the Asheville, NC Veterans Administration Hospital under the supervision of Dr. Milton B. Lambert.

Ample clinical and operating room experience is assured for each resident because of the large patient population. The resident has a unique opportunity to learn orthopaedics in the operating room, the out-patient clinics, ward rounds, and in formal and informal conferences. Residents and Faculty have continuous dialogue. Duke University Hospital is a Level I Trauma Center, and an abundant influx of polytraumatized patients are treated.

## Mission Statement

The mission of the Duke Orthopaedic Surgery Residency Training Program is to provide the trainee with the knowledge, clinical and surgical skills in all areas of orthopaedic surgery necessary to practice for either academic or community practice at the highest possible level of competence at the completion of the training program.

Success is monitored by Faculty observance of clinical performance, Faculty evaluations of each resident every three months, weekly presentations at conference, performance on yearly in-training examinations, success in obtaining top post-training fellowships and/or practices, and performance on specialty board examinations. Each Chief Resident must complete a written thesis on an orthopaedic topic, which is presented and judged at a symposium prior to graduation from the Program.

## Goals and Objectives

The Duke Orthopaedic Program enables the orthopaedic trainee to obtain adequate clinical and surgical skills in all areas of orthopaedic surgery for medical practice in the specialty in either an academic or community practice. Progressive responsibility is accomplished, in keeping with individual knowledge, skills and performance, always stressing safety and appropriate care of patients. Faculty members provide daily and continuous supervision which is a mainstay of the Program. The faculty members' full time clinical practices are on site and rotation assignments are arranged so that trainees have experience in all subspecialty areas of orthopaedic surgery. Research opportunities abound with most of the faculty involved in laboratory and clinical research, and also providing guidance for project selection, completion and adequate funding support. Ongoing and continuing medical education is assured and accomplished by at least eight hours of teaching conferences each week, attended by faculty, trainees, students and allied health personnel. The Duke orthopaedic trainee has daily and continuous contact with the faculty in the clinics, operative theater, ward rounds, teaching conferences, and individual rotation conferences.

Success is monitored by clinical performance, weekly presentations at conferences, performance on yearly in-training examinations, success in obtaining top post-training fellowships in the country, and performance on specialty Board examinations. Each Chief Resident must complete a written thesis on an orthopaedic topic which is presented and judged at a symposium before graduation from the Program.

## Criteria for Selection of Residents

Duke Orthopaedic Surgery receives over 600 applications per year for the Residency Training Program. The Residency Training Program Director reviews each application file. Approximately 80 applicants are selected for interview each year for the eight positions approved by the Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education for the Duke University Medical Center and Affiliated Institutions Orthopaedic Surgery Residency Training Program.

Residents are selected for interview on the basis of preparedness, ability, aptitude, academic credentials, communication skills, and personal qualities such as motivation and integrity; and specifically to include the following:

- Educational Accomplishments (including Honors, Grades)
- Board Scores
- Letters of Recommendation
- Medical School Performance

Important intangibles which are fundamental to the selection process include:

- Leadership
- Work Ethic
- Communication Skills
- Enthusiasm

Residents are selected for appointment to our program through the National Resident Matching Program on the basis of personal interview and the above listed criteria.

## Application Requirements for Duke Orthopaedic Residency Training

The Duke Orthopaedic Surgery Residency Training Program is five years in length and the PGY-1 year consists of rotations in the subspecialties at Duke in keeping with the requirements of the ABOS/ACGME. Eight resident trainees are appointed each year.

We accept applications through the electronic system, ERAS (<http://www.aamc.org/audienceeras.htm>), which is available through your medical school, or the ECFMG (<http://www.ecfm.org/eras>) if you are a foreign medical graduate. Foreign medical graduates must hold a valid and current ECFMG certificate and be eligible to obtain a medical license in the State of North Carolina.

The following application materials are required and should be submitted through ERAS. We do not require additional information outside of ERAS (i.e. SAT scores, MCAT scores, etc.). Please review "Frequently Asked Questions" referenced in this brochure for answers to questions concerning our program. Applicants may also find detailed information concerning our program through FREIDA (<http://www.ama-assn.org/ama/pub/category/2997.html>), ACGME program number 260-363-1019.

- ERAS Application (<http://www.aamc.org/audienceeras.htm>)
- or ECFMG-ERAS (for Foreign Medical Graduates) (<http://www.ecfm.org/eras/>)
- Brief Personal Statement
- Curriculum Vitae (ERAS generated CV is acceptable)
- Three (3) Letters of Recommendation (additional letters accepted but not required)
- Parts 1 and 2 of USMLE/COMLEX/or equivalent Canadian examinations, etc.

(no minimal score requirement)

*We do not have a minimal score requirement, however, applicants must document passing scores in the first two parts of appropriate medical licensure examinations (USMLE, COMLEX, or equivalent Canadian examinations, etc.) to be eligible for entry into any program at Duke University Hospital. This policy applies to all graduate medical trainees whether United States or International Medical School graduates. Applicants who have not taken part II and are not scheduled to take part II before the interview season starts, may go ahead and apply; however, once you've taken and passed part II and have updated ERAS with the results, please e-mail Ms. Wendy Thompson at [wendy.thompson@duke.edu](mailto:wendy.thompson@duke.edu) so that your application may be updated. We would prefer to be notified of your passing before the match; however, it is not required. If you match to Duke, we must be notified of your passing by May 31st and scores must be uploaded to ERAS (before the system closes). Please be sure to schedule your examination early so that you are notified of your results well in advance of your potential residency start date.*

- Medical School Transcript (undergraduate transcript not required)
- MSPE/Dean's Letter
- ECFMG Certificate (valid and current) for foreign medical graduates
- **Deadline for receipt of application materials is November 6, 2009.**

Resident applicants are selected for interview in accordance with our Criteria for Selection of Residents. Completed applications will be reviewed by the Duke Orthopaedic Surgery Residency Selection Committee and interview will be by written invitation. We generally conduct interviews in November and December for a total of three (3) interview dates. Dates are provided at time of invitation.

Inquiries concerning receipt of application should be directed toward *your* ERAS Applicant Document Tracking System. Due to volume of printed information, we will *not* be able to answer inquiries concerning the status of your application until after November 6, 2009.

We participate in the National Resident Matching Program (NRMP) for the Duke Orthopaedic Residency Training Program. To register, contact the NRMP at (866) 617-5838 or visit their web site (<http://www.nrmp.org/>). Our Program is categorical – number 1529260C0.

## Application Requirements for Visiting Medical Student Elective

The Duke Orthopaedic Elective Course ([429C: General Principles of Orthopaedics](#)) is available to students applying for residency training at Duke. For information on how to apply to our residency training program, please refer to our web page - [Application Requirements for Duke Orthopaedic Residency Training](#).

If you wish to apply for our elective but are not applying to our residency training program, this may be arranged during the Spring Term (see dates below). Students who wish to apply for our elective but are not applying to our residency training program are not required to meet the following Duke Orthopaedic Surgery requirements; however, are still required to meet the Duke University School of Medicine, Office of the Registrar requirements.

Due to the large number of requests for electives and the class maximum (4), it will not be possible to accommodate every applicant. *The class maximum enrollment is four per elective rotation block.* The Duke University School of Medicine guidelines stipulate that we cannot accept visiting medical students for an elective until we receive the term registration roster for Duke medical students, which is generally after the first of April.

Medical students from Wake Forest University School of Medicine, Brody School of Medicine at East Carolina University, and the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill who wish to complete an elective at Duke should contact the Visiting Medical Student Coordinator Mr. Steven Wilson at (919) 684-8042 or e-mail at [steven.wilson@duke.edu](mailto:steven.wilson@duke.edu) in the Office of the Registrar, Duke University School of Medicine Office, and complete requirements listed under Duke Orthopaedic Surgery.

The Duke fourth year medical student elective dates are listed as follows. We are aware that some medical school dates do not coincide with the Duke elective dates. It may or may not be possible to accept students off the Duke elective date schedule as our student maximum enrollment is four (4) and requested dates cannot be confirmed until after the Duke medical students are enrolled, which is generally after the first of April. Students should list their "specific" requested dates on the orthopaedic elective application whether or not they requested dates coincide with the Duke dates.

### 2009-2010 Duke Fourth Year Medical Student Elective Dates

#### Summer Term 2009

April 20 – May 16

*\*May 18 – June 13*

June 22 – July 18

July 20 – August 15 **\*FULL\***

#### Fall Term 2009

August 17 – Sept. 12 **\*FULL\***

Sept. 14 – Oct. 10 **\*FULL\***

Oct. 12 – Nov. 7

Nov. 9 – Dec. 5

#### Spring 2010

Jan. 4 – Jan. 30

Feb. 1 – Feb. 27

March 1 – March 27

March 29 – April 24

*\*It is not possible to accept fourth year medical students as these dates are set aside by the Duke Medical School for second year Duke medical students to complete the orthopaedic elective.*

## Surgery 429C: General Principles of Orthopaedics Elective Description

A full experience on the Orthopaedic Service with duties and responsibilities similar to a first year resident. Inpatient care, outpatient examination, operating room experience, and emergency room call are included. Conference attendance is required. Individual or group discussions are conducted each day with attending staff/residents. The purpose of the course is to present broad concepts of orthopaedics to students planning general practice, pediatrics, allied surgical specialties, or orthopaedics. Credit: 4. Enrollment: max 4 for 4 weeks. Dr. Nunley, orthopaedic staff, and house staff.

**To apply for an elective rotation in orthopaedics**, please complete requirements for the Duke University School of Medicine, Office of the Registrar **and** Duke Orthopaedic Surgery.

### **Duke University Medical School, Office of the Registrar requirements:**

Please visit the Duke University School of Medicine web site [http://medschool.duke.edu/modules/som\\_registrar/index.php?id=4](http://medschool.duke.edu/modules/som_registrar/index.php?id=4) for information, application requirements, and more regarding the Visiting Medical Student Program. Please note that as of August 2008, the Duke University School of Medicine requires an affiliation agreement to be in place with your home institution in order for you to participate, if approved, in the visiting medical student program.

- Medical Students enrolled at LCME and AOA medical schools
- Medical Students enrolled at International medical schools
- Submit application and required materials to Mr. Steven Wilson (919-684-8042), Visiting Medical Student Coordinator, DUMC, 200 Trent Drive, Box 3878, Durham, NC 27710.

Once all required materials are received and approved by the Duke University School of Medicine, the Orthopaedic Department will be contacted for approval (see below).

If you are applying to Duke University School of Medicine as a visiting medical student, and approved to participate, the registration fee will be waived. You are required to submit the non-refundable \$50.00 application fee with your application materials to the visiting student coordinator.

Duke University School of Medicine  
Office of the Registrar  
Visiting Medical Student Coordinator  
Mr. Steven Wilson  
(919) 684-8042  
Email: [wilso141@mc.duke.edu](mailto:wilso141@mc.duke.edu)

### **Duke Orthopaedic Surgery requirements:**

- Complete the following Duke Orthopaedic Surgery Elective Application (Surgery 429C: General Principles of Orthopaedics), along with a brief personal statement and return to William T. Hardaker, Jr., M.D., c/o Wendy Thompson, DUMC, 200 Trent Drive, Box 3956, Durham, NC 27710. Our application is also online - <http://orthoresidency.surgery.duke.edu/wysiwyg/downloads/Application-General Principles of Orthopaedics Rev. 1-2009.doc>.
- Have one letter of recommendation and medical school transcript mailed to Dr. Hardaker (see address above).
- Your application, brief personal statement, letter of recommendation, and medical school transcript must be submitted at least 12 weeks prior to the requested start date.

Students who are approved to complete an elective in orthopaedic surgery (and who are applying to our residency training program) will have interviews arranged with select Orthopaedic Faculty Members and these are scheduled during the student's elective period. Elective schedules and instructions will be e-mailed to students approximately one week prior to the students start date. Students will rotate on Trauma (1 wk), Sports Medicine (1 wk), Adult Reconstruction/ Foot (1 wk) and at the Durham Veterans Hospital (1 wk); students are expected to take call and attend select orthopaedic conferences. Student grading is completed approximately one month after completion of the orthopaedic elective.

Duke Orthopaedic Surgery  
Visiting Medical Student Coordinator  
Ms. Wendy Thompson  
(919) 684-3170  
Email: [wendy.thompson@duke.edu](mailto:wendy.thompson@duke.edu)



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*Please provide a  
quality color  
photograph.*

**SURGERY 429C: GENERAL PRINCIPLES OF ORTHOPAEDICS**

(Please print or type)

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Dates \_\_\_\_\_ Dates \_\_\_\_\_  
Last, First, Middle 1<sup>st</sup> Choice 2<sup>nd</sup> Choice

Birth Date \_\_\_\_\_ Social Security Number \_\_\_\_\_

Birthplace \_\_\_\_\_ Military Status \_\_\_\_\_

Citizenship \_\_\_\_\_ NRMP Number \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_  
Street

\_\_\_\_\_ Mobile \_\_\_\_\_  
City, State, Zip

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_ Pager \_\_\_\_\_

ECFMG Number (if applicable) \_\_\_\_\_ Please attach copy.

Premedical College \_\_\_\_\_ Degree/ Major \_\_\_\_\_ Dates \_\_\_\_\_  
Month/ Year

Advanced Work \_\_\_\_\_ Degree/ Major \_\_\_\_\_ Dates \_\_\_\_\_  
Month/ Year

Medical School \_\_\_\_\_ Degree/ Major \_\_\_\_\_ Dates \_\_\_\_\_  
Month/ Year

Class Rank \_\_\_\_\_ Board/USMLE Scores \_\_\_\_\_ AOA Member \_\_\_\_\_

**REQUIRED DOCUMENTATION (Application and documentation due 12 weeks prior to requested start date.)**

Reference Please have one of your faculty members send a letter of recommendation (not required for Duke students).

Personal Statement Please submit a brief personal statement concerning your background, educational experience, honors, extracurricular activities, possible research activities, plans for residency training, and future goals.

Transcript Please have your medical school send your transcript.

Date \_\_\_\_\_ Signature \_\_\_\_\_

2009-2010 ELECTIVE DATES (4 weeks only)

<u>SPRING TERM 2009</u> January 5 – January 31 February 2 – February 28 **March 2 – March 28 March 31 – April 25	<u>SUMMER TERM 2009</u> April 20 – May 16 *May 18 – June 13 June 22 – July 18 July 20 – August 15	<u>FALL TERM 2009</u> August 17 – September 12 September 14 – October 10 October 12 – November 7 November 9 – December 5	<u>SPRING TERM 2010</u> January 4 – January 30 February 1 – February 27 **March 1 – March 27 March 29 – April 24
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*\* It is not possible to accept fourth year medical students as these dates are set aside by the Duke University School of Medicine for second year Duke medical students to complete the orthopaedic elective.*

Please mail to: William T. Hardaker, Jr., M.D.  
 Associate Professor and Director, Orthopaedic Surgery Residency Training Program  
 c/o Wendy R. Thompson, Residency and Fellowship Coordinator  
 Duke, Division of Orthopaedic Surgery  
 200 Trent Drive, Box 3956 · Durham, NC 27710 · USA  
 (919) 684-3170 · Email: [wendy.thompson@duke.edu](mailto:wendy.thompson@duke.edu)  
<http://dukeortho.org>

Race, creed, sex, national origin, and marital status play no role in the admission of any applicant

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## Frequently Asked Questions

**Are you accepting applications for 2010-2011?**

*Yes, we accept applications through the electronic system, [ERAS](#), which is available through your medical school or the [ECFMG](#) if you are a foreign medical graduate.*

**What is your deadline for application/ Electronic Residency Application Service ([ERAS](#)) materials?**

*Our deadline is November 6, 2009.*

**Do you require hard copies of materials submitted through ERAS?**

*No, we do not require additional copies.*

**How many letters of recommendation do you require?**

*We require three (3) letters of recommendation; however, additional letters are accepted.*

**Do you require a letter from the Chairman/ Chief/ Program Director of Orthopaedics?**

*Not required but obviously to your advantage.*

**Do you require additional information outside of ERAS (i.e. SAT scores, MCAT scores, etc.)?**

*No*

**Do you require a curriculum vitae (CV) other than the generated ERAS version?**

*No*

**Will you accept a curriculum vitae (CV) in addition to the generated ERAS version?**

*We will accept a curriculum vitae if you wish to send to us, however, the ERAS generated versions will suffice. Please mail CV to Wendy Thompson, Program Coordinator, Duke University Medical Center, 200 Trent Drive, Box 2923, Durham, NC 27710 or via e-mail at [wendy.thompson@duke.edu](mailto:wendy.thompson@duke.edu).*

**Do you participate in the National Resident Matching Program (NRMP)?**

*Yes. To register, contact the NRMP at (866) 617-5838 or visit their web site [NRMP](#). Our Program is categorial - number 1529260C0.*

**Do you participate in the NRMP couples match?**

*Yes*

**How many applicants do you accept a year?**

*We are ACGME approved to accept eight (8) trainees per year.*

**What is your USMLE minimal score requirement?**

*We do not have a minimal score requirement, however, applicants must document passing scores in the first two parts of appropriate medical licensure examinations (USMLE, COMLEX, or equivalent Canadian examinations, etc.) to be eligible for entry into any program at Duke University Hospital. This policy applies to all graduate medical trainees whether United States or International Medical School graduates. Applicants who have not taken part II and are not scheduled to take part II before the interview season starts, may go ahead and apply; however, once you've taken and passed part II and have updated ERAS with the results, please e-mail Ms. Wendy Thompson at [wendy.thompson@duke.edu](mailto:wendy.thompson@duke.edu) so that your application may be updated. We would prefer to be notified of your passing before the match; however, it is not required. If you match to Duke, we must be notified of your passing by May 31st and scores must be uploaded to ERAS (before the system closes). Please be sure to schedule your examination early so that you are notified of your results well in advance of your potential residency start date.*

**What is your USMLE averaged scores for current/past trainees?**

*This information is not available at this time.*

**What is your policy on medical licensure examinations?**

*Applicants are required to meet the following medical licensure examination requirements set forth by Duke Hospital and must provide supporting documentation when applying to our Program.*

*All appointees to Duke must have taken and passed the first two parts of appropriate medical licensure examinations (USMLE/COMLEX/or equivalent Canadian examinations, etc.) to be eligible for entry into any Duke program. Appointees entering a program at the PGY 3 level or higher must have taken and passed part three. This policy applies to all graduate medical trainees whether United States or International Medical School graduates.*

**Do you offer an observership or externship/elective at your Program?**

*We do not arrange observerships as it diminishes the educational experience of the Duke and Visiting Medical Students who are completing an elective rotation in Duke Orthopaedic Surgery. It is suggested that you contact a [Faculty Member](#) directly and inquire if/she would be interested in hosting an observer. If approved, you will be required to complete and sign a Visiting Observer Agreement form (with the understanding that you may not participate in the medical care of patients beyond observation while at Duke University Medical Center) and complete and sign a Confidentiality Agreement. Our office does not arrange visiting observerships. You will need to call (919) 684-4033 to discuss the paperwork process and provide Faculty approval statement.*

*We do offer an externship/elective program. In order to apply for an elective at Duke, you must currently be enrolled in medical school and an affiliation agreement between Duke and your home institution must be in place. Please visit our [web site](#) for more information and requirements set forth by the Orthopaedic Division and the Duke University School of Medicine.*

**Do you accept foreign national graduates?**

*Yes. Foreign medical graduates must hold a valid and current ECFMG certificate at the time that they apply and be eligible to obtain a medical license in the State of North Carolina.*

**Do you have a cutoff date for graduation years out of medical school?** *No.*

**Do you require previous U.S. clinical experience?** *No.*

**Do you sponsor J-1 or H-1B Visa's?**

*We sponsor J-1 Visa's only, however, individual circumstances may alter this. Foreign medical graduates must hold a valid and current ECFMG certificate at the time that they apply to our Program.*

**Does your program require any Prelims - Surgery or Medicine experience?**

*No. The Duke Orthopaedic Program is PGY 1 through PGY 5.*

**Do you accept applicants from an Osteopathic Medical School?**

*Yes. Applicants must have taken and passed the first two parts of appropriate medical licensure examinations to be eligible for entry into any Duke program. This policy applies to all graduate medical trainees whether United States or International Medical School graduates.*

**When will I be notified in regards to whether or not I'm selected for an interview?**

*We will begin notifying applicants by e-mail sometime after our deadline.*

### What are your interview dates?

We generally conduct interviews in November and December for a total of three (3) interview dates. Dates are provided to applicants at time of invitation.

### What are my chances of getting an interview at your Program?

Please visit our web page [Criteria for Selection of Residents](#) for a guideline of applicant interview considerations.

### Where can I obtain additional information about your Program?

Please visit [FREIDA](#) (Fellowship and Residency Electronic Interactive Database) online for detailed information about our Program (ACGME program number 260-363-1019).

## Contracts (Graduate Medical Education Agreement of Appointment)

Beginning with the 2005 Main Residency Match, the National Resident Matching Program (NRMP) requires that all programs provide a copy of the actual contract that applicants would be expected to sign if matched to the program. Duke Graduate Medical Education and legal counsel have agreed to make this document available on the GME web site ([www.gme.duke.edu](http://www.gme.duke.edu)) prior to ranking deadline for said year.

## Affiliated Institutions/Hospitals



### Asheville Veterans Administration Medical Center Asheville, North Carolina

<http://www1.va.gov/directory/guide/facility.asp?ID=8&dnum=ALL&map=1>

Milton B. Lambert, M.D.  
Chief, Department of Orthopaedic Surgery



### Durham Regional Hospital Durham, North Carolina

<http://durhamregional.org/>

David E. Attarian, M.D.  
S. David Stanley, M.D.



### Durham Veterans Administration Medical Center Durham, North Carolina

<http://www1.va.gov/directory/guide/facility.asp?ID=43&dnum=ALL&map=1>

Tally E. Lassiter, Jr., M.D.  
Chief of Orthopaedics



### Children's Healthcare of Atlanta at Scottish Rite Atlanta, Georgia

<http://www.choa.org/>

Jorge A. Fabregas, M.D.

## **Benefits: Dental Insurance, Health Insurance, Life Insurance, and more...**

For information regarding dental insurance, health insurance, life insurance, and more, please visit the Duke Graduate Medical Education web site ([www.gme.duke.edu](http://www.gme.duke.edu)) and select/download GME Manual and Benefit Guide.

## **Benefits: Leave of Absence – Maternity/ Paternity Leave**

The American Board of Orthopaedic Surgery stipulates that the minimum educational requirements for board certification for one year of credit must include at least 46 weeks of full-time orthopaedic education. Vacation or leave time may not be accumulated to reduce the five-year requirement. Therefore, time-off for maternity leave is provided up to six weeks. If additional time is needed and time-off exceeds RRC/ABOS 46 weeks Minimal Standard requirement for one-year of credit, extension of total training period is adjusted after discussing with trainee. Specific rotational entities needed for Board eligibility are considered. Paternity leave-use vacation and/or sick time. Program Director approves all leave.

## **Benefits: Leave of Absence – Personal/ Sick Leave**

The American Board of Orthopaedic Surgery stipulates that the minimum educational requirements for board certification for one year of credit must include at least 46 weeks of full-time orthopaedic education. Vacation or leave time may not be accumulated to reduce the five-year requirement. Time-off for personal/sick leave is arranged as need arises after discussion with Program Director. If time-off exceeds RRC/ABOS 46 weeks Minimal Standard requirement for one-year of credit, extension of total training period is adjusted after discussing with trainee. Specific rotational entities needed for Board eligibility are considered. Program Director approves all leave.

## **Benefits: Time-off (Vacation/ Meeting)**

PGY 2-5 Residents receive 3 weeks a year and 5 days off Christmas or New Year's upon approval from Director of Residency Curriculum. If a resident presents a paper at a meeting, he/she can attend that meeting in addition to his/her yearly chosen meeting or vacation.

## Conferences: Orthopaedic Division

### MONDAY

Hand Conference	6:30-7:30 A.M.
Spine Preop Conference with Spine Faculty	7:30-8:00 A.M.

### TUESDAY

Foot and Ankle Conference with Foot & Ankle Faculty	6:30-7:30 A.M.
Hip and Knee Conference with Adult Reconstruction Faculty	7:00-8:00 A.M.
Musculoskeletal Radiology-Pathology Conference with Oncology Faculty	7:30-8:30 A.M.

### WEDNESDAY

Grand Rounds Conference with All Faculty	7:00-8:30 A.M.
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### THURSDAY

Fracture/ Trauma/ Complications Conference	6:15-7:30 A.M.
Pediatric and Journal Club Conference with Pediatric Faculty	7:30-8:30 A.M.
Musculoskeletal Histopathology Conference with Oncology Faculty	8:00 A.M.
Hand and Upper Extremity Imaging Conference (1 <sup>st</sup> & 3 <sup>rd</sup> )	4:30 P.M.
Foot and Ankle Extremity Imaging Conference (2 <sup>nd</sup> & 4 <sup>th</sup> )	4:30 P.M.
Basic Science Conference	5:30-7:00 P.M.

### FRIDAY

Sports Medicine Journal Club with Dr. Dean Taylor	6:15 A.M.
Orthopaedic-Emergency Dept. Case Review	6:30 A.M.
Hand Surgery Indications Conference	6:30 – 7:30 A.M.
Sports Medicine Conference with Sports Medicine Faculty.	7:00-9:00 A.M.
Hip and Knee Conference with Adult Recon. Faculty (not held every week)	8:00 A.M.

## Professional Liability

For information regarding professional liability, please visit the Duke Graduate Medical Education web site (<http://www.gme.duke.edu>), select/download GME Manual and Benefit Guide and refer to Risk Management.

## Resident/ Fellow Education Fund

Residents and Fellows are given an educational allotment to finance orthopaedic textbooks, scientific meetings, podium presentations, and poster presentations. Scientific meetings must meet the approval of the Director of Residency Curriculum or Fellowship Program Director.

## Sample Operative Experience

PGY 2 through PGY 5  
 Primary, First, and Second Assistant  
 Adult and Children

Procedures	Trauma	Non-Trauma	Row Totals
<b>REGIONAL</b>			
Spine	16	103	<i>119</i>
Hip/Pelvis	140	158	<i>298</i>
Knee	40	118	<i>158</i>
Ankle/Foot	50	101	<i>151</i>
Shoulder	37	62	<i>99</i>
Elbow	33	21	<i>54</i>
Wrist/Hand	45	68	<i>113</i>
Long Bones	93	-----	<i>93</i>
Soft Tissues	26	-----	<i>26</i>
Other Regional			
<b>TROPICAL</b>			
Amputation	12	61	<i>73</i>
Oncologic	-----	48	<i>48</i>
Microsurgery	15	41	<i>56</i>
Arthroscopic	-----	145	<i>145</i>
Closed Manipulation	400+	20	<i>420+</i>
Other Topical	75	48	<i>123</i>
<b>Column Totals</b>	<b>982</b>	<b>994</b>	<b>1976</b>

## Stipend for House Staff: 2009-2010

The stipends for 2010-2011 are anticipated to be at or above the following amounts. Stipends for 2010-2011 will be determined in the Spring of 2010.

<u>PGY</u>	<u>Stipend/ Yearly</u>	<u>Stipend/ Monthly</u>
1	\$45,576.00	\$3,798.00
2	\$47,436.00	\$3,953.00
3	\$49,272.00	\$4,106.00
4	\$51,276.00	\$4,273.00
5	\$53,256.00	\$4,438.00
6	\$55,356.00	\$4,613.00
7	\$57,348.00	\$4,779.00
8	\$59,340.00	\$4,945.00

## Web Sites: Duke, Durham, and more

Duke Division of Orthopaedic Surgery: <http://dukeortho.org>

Duke Division of Orthopaedic Surgery/ Residency Program: <http://orthoresidency.surgery.duke.edu/>

Duke Department of Surgery: <http://dukesurgery.org>

Duke Graduate Medical Education: <http://www.gme.duke.edu/>

Duke University Health System: <http://dukehealth.org>

Duke University School of Medicine: <http://www.medschool.duke.edu>

Duke University: <http://www.duke.edu>

Duke Urgent Care: <http://urgentcare.dukehealth.org>

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AAOS (American Academy of Orthopaedic Surgeons): <http://www.aaos.org/home.asp>

ABOS (American Board of Orthopaedic Surgery): <https://www.abos.org/default.aspx>

AMA (American Medical Association): <http://www.ama-assn.org>

AMA/FREIDA Online (Fellowship and Residency Electronic Interactive Database): <http://www.ama-assn.org/ama/pub/category/2997.html>

Durham Convention and Visitors Bureau: <http://dcvb.durham.nc.us>

Durham Public Schools: <http://www.dpsnc.net>

ERAS (Electronic Residency Application System): <http://www.aamc.org/audienceeras.htm>

ECFMG/ERAS (Educational Commission for Foreign Medical Graduates): <http://www.ecfm.org/eras/>

NC Department of Administration, Division of Non-Public Schools: <http://www.ncdnpe.org>

NRMP (National Resident Matching Program): <http://www.nrmp.org>

Piedmont Orthopedic Society: <http://surgery.mc.duke.edu/piedmont>

*The Piedmont Orthopedic Society is made up of physicians who completed a residency and/or a one-year fellowship at Duke in Orthopaedic Surgery.*

WRAL (local weather, entertainment): <http://www.wral.com/index.html>

