# 2-Year Program

**Optional Degrees:**
- [ ] MPH
- [ ] MBA
- [ ] MS
- [x] None

**Number of Faculty:**
- GYN Faculty: 7
- UROGYN Faculty: 2
- REI Faculty: 1
- ONCOLOGY Faculty: 2
- GU Faculty: General Surgery Faculty: 1
- Colorectal Faculty: 1
- Other: Pain Management - 1

**Residency Program Affiliation:**
- [x] Yes
- [ ] No

**Computer Simulation Center:**
- [x] Yes
- [ ] No

**Training Labs:**
- [ ] Cadaver lab
- [x] Animal Lab
- [ ] None
- [x] Dry Lab
- [x] Robotics

**Office Surgery:**
- [x] Yes
- [ ] No

**Contract/Agreement Letter:**
- [x] Yes
- [ ] No

**Yearly Salary:**
- [x] Yes ($69,231)
- [ ] No

**Resident Teaching:**
- [ ] Yes
- [x] No

**Benefit Package:**
- [x] Yes
- [ ] No

**OB obligation:**
- [ ] Yes
- [x] No
- If yes, please describe obligation.

**Junior Faculty**
- [ ] Yes
- [x] No

**Moonlighting:**
- [x] Yes
- [ ] No

**Attending Privileges:**
- [ ] Yes
- [x] No

**Non-compete clause:**
- [ ] Yes
- [x] No

**Meeting support:**
- [x] Yes
- [ ] No

**Malpractice tail coverage:**
- [ ] Yes
- [x] No

**Other coverage obligations - specify:**
- [ ] Yes
- [x] No

**Accept J1 & H1 Visa applicants:**
- [x] Yes
- [ ] No

**Dedicated Research Hours:**
- Hours/week: 5 hours per week
- Hours/month: 20 hours per month

**Protected Academic:**
- Hours/week: 3 hours per week
- Hours/month: 12 hours per month

**Clinical Focus/Special Interest:**
- [x] Reproductive Surgery
- [ ] Oncology
- [x] Endometriosis/Pelvic Pain
- [x] Pelvic Reconstruction
- [x] Robotic Surgery
- [ ] Pediatric/Adolescent
- [ ] Hysteroscopic Surgery
- [x] Other: Pain Management
The Minimally Invasive Gynecologic Surgery Training program developed under the direction of Dr. Pankaj Singhal is a 2-year program incorporating a wide range of minimally invasive gynecologic procedures using robotic, laparoscopic, hysteroscopic and vaginal approaches. Dr. Singhal's practice is primarily devoted to Gynecologic Oncology however, he has served as a regional referral expert for complex benign pelvic surgery. He has performed over 500 robotic surgery cases annually since 2008. The unique combination of training in
Gynecologic Oncology and vast experience in robotic surgery provides Dr. Singhal with the ability to draw on extensive anatomic knowledge, training and experience in dealing with radical surgery and its translation into a minimally invasive approach. Dr. Singhal pioneered robotic surgery in Buffalo, NY which flourished under his leadership. Through his training of more than 13 gynecologists in robotics, he was able to recast gynecologic care in Western New York. Most of the surgeries that were previously performed via a more invasive approach are now being done using minimally invasive approaches.

In all his years of practice, Dr. Singhal has formed an outstanding reputation for excellent care and outcomes. He has also proctored and trained local physicians on pelvic reconstructive procedures such as robotic Burch, and Sacrocolpopexy, and fertility sparing gynecologic procedures such as myomectomies, and presacral neurectomies. He started the Minimally Invasive Fellowship Training Program at Millard Fillmore Suburban Hospital, successfully training Drs. Eddib, Chitgar, and Eswar who after completion of their fellowship have become prominent gynecologic surgeons. His current fellow Dr. Srinivasan has performed over 450 major minimally invasive procedures in the first year of her training under his proctorship.

Dr. Singhal is the System Chairman of Obstetrics and Gynecology at Catholic Health Services of Long Island (CHSLI), New York. He is responsible for Gynecology and Women's Services in CHSLI which encompasses 6 hospitals including Good Samaritan Hospital Medical Center which will be his primary clinical and training site. The system includes 1,928 in-patient beds, over 57,000 ambulatory surgeries and over 26,000 inpatient surgical procedures performed annually. The Obstetrics and Gynecology service includes a busy maternity and women's health service, with support from gynecologic subspecialties including urogynecology, reproductive endocrinology and infertility, maternal fetal medicine, and gynecologic oncology. A variety of gynecologic minimally invasive procedures are performed every year. Dr. Singhal is exclusively poised to use his extensive experience as mentor, fellowship director, educator, physician, published professional and leader to his new role in creating a successful minimally invasive gynecology training program that will train future surgeons with advanced skills enabling them to become pioneering professionals in their field.

Good Samaritan Hospital Medical Center is committed to graduate medical education and currently is the sponsoring institution for accredited residency and fellowship training in:

- Emergency Medicine
- Family Medicine
- General Surgery
- Obstetrics and Gynecology
- Pediatrics
- Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation
- Podiatry
- Pediatric Emergency Medicine
- Gynecologic Oncology

The minimally invasive gynecologic surgery fellowship program will include formal rotations in which fellows will be provided dedicated time for clinical research working with faculty mentors, as well as the Academic Development Committee and Institutional Review Board (IRB) developed at Good Samaritan Hospital in support of scholarly activity for trainees and faculty. Fellowship educational objectives allowing for the standardization of training in minimally invasive gynecologic surgery will be published and distributed in the manual specifically designed for the fellowship which will be provided to the fellow and the faculty. These will include the clinical diagnostic and evaluation experiences, as well as the surgical procedures that are expected and required for successful completion of the training program. Fellows will be expected to complete ongoing reading assignments (FMIGS core-reading list) and incorporate what they have learned into the training of residents in obstetrics and gynecology, enabling them to develop and master their ability to teach and mentor. This will allow for the progression in clinical and teaching responsibilities during their training period. Didactic instruction including structured teaching conferences and seminars including those
for research are ongoing throughout the department for the trainees and the faculty. The fellow is expected to attend additional seminars and must complete training in research including a course in Biostatistics/Epidemiology, as well as attend national conferences. These additional requirements will be supported by annually appropriated continuing medical education (CME) funding. Each fellow will complete an original research project and complete all requirements for graduation as outlined in the program requirements published by the American Association of Gynecologic Laparoscopists (AAGL).