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UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA CHAPEL HILL, NORTH CAROLINA



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TWO YEAR PROGRAM



2-Year Program		
Optional Degrees: <input type="checkbox"/> MPH <input type="checkbox"/> MBA <input type="checkbox"/> MS <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other: MSCR/MPH <input type="checkbox"/> None		
Number of Faculty		
	GYN Faculty: 4	UROGYN Faculty: 3
	REI Faculty: 4	ONCOLOGY Faculty: 4
	GU Faculty: n/a	General Surgery Faculty: 2
	Colorectal Faculty: 2	Other:
Residency Program Affiliation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		
Computer Simulation Center: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		
Training Labs		
	<input type="checkbox"/> Cadaver lab	<input type="checkbox"/> Animal Lab <input type="checkbox"/> None
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Dry Lab	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Robotics
Office Surgery: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No		
Contract/Agreement Letter: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		
	Stipend PGY-5 or 6: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	
	Resident Teaching <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	
	Benefit Package: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	
	OB obligation: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	If yes, please describe obligation.
	Junior Faculty <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	Attending Privileges <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
	Moonlighting: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	Non-compete clause: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
	Malpractice: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	Meeting support: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
	Malpractice tail coverage: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	Other coverage obligations- specify: Minimal GYN at-home call
Accept J1 & H1Visa applicants <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		
Dedicated Research Hours: Hours/per week: 4 Hours/per month: 16		
Protected Academic: Hours/per week: 4 Hours/per month: 16 Combined total of research/academic: 8 hours/week; 32 hours/month		
Clinical Focus/Special Interest		
	<input type="checkbox"/> Reproductive Surgery	<input type="checkbox"/> Oncology
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Endometriosis/Pelvic Pain	<input type="checkbox"/> Pelvic Reconstruction
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Robotic Surgery	<input type="checkbox"/> Pediatric/Adolescent
	<input type="checkbox"/> Hysteroscopic Surgery	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other: Complex pathology (large fibroid uteri, advanced endometriosis), Obese patients, Chronic pain disorders



Program Description:

The purpose of this university-based program is to prepare clinicians for careers in academic medicine, with clinical, research, and teaching opportunities in the areas of minimally invasive gynecologic surgery and in pelvic pain. We established the first fellowship in the country to offer in depth training in both of these areas, graduating our first fellow in 1999. UNC joined the AAGL FMIGS program in 2008 and our graduates have gone on to successful careers in academic medicine, training other residents and fellows, and many as fellowship directors themselves.

The surgical experience at UNC is extremely high volume, including participation in over 800 cases annually for all benign gynecologic problems. Our referral base has been well established for 25 years, and includes the entire range of gynecologic pathology, including conservative and extirpative treatment of advanced endometriosis, large adnexal masses, massive fibroids, the morbidly obese, those with complex prior surgical history and medical co-morbidities, and more rare opportunities such as laparoscopy in advanced pregnancy, müllerian anomalies, cerclage, and tubo-ovarian abscess. There is a greater emphasis on conventional laparoscopy in our program, but fellows are also trained on the robotic platform.

Outpatient clinical training includes well-mentored experience in the management of difficult gynecologic disorders, including assessment and management of vulvar and pelvic pain in addition to pre-operative consultations for common conditions such as endometriosis and fibroids. Teaching responsibilities include regular interaction with residents and medical students as well as fellows in other gynecologic subspecialties and a weekly preoperative conference and weekly journal club. Fellows function as junior attendings in addition to assisting non-fellowship trained colleagues with challenging cases. There are no obstetric duties (either outpatient or call) and gynecology home-call is minimal, but provides an opportunity for the fellow to act as an attending with back-up faculty coverage provided.

Our program also fosters a commitment to research with an emphasis on preparing the fellow for participation in clinical research at a leadership level. Fellows will complete a research curriculum to develop skills in research design, epidemiology, and biostatistics. Our program is aligned with the UNC School of Public Health at UNC, one of the top schools of public health in the country, which offers the opportunity to take classes in specific areas of interest such as meta-analysis, decision analysis, or public health. Participation in ongoing research in the Division, as well as development of a new project, will be part of this educational process, and will lead to national presentations and publication in peer-reviewed journals.

Our program is dedicated to a tripartite mission of clinical expertise through high-volume exposure and complex cases, a comprehensive sub-specialty education, and research with a thoughtfully curated curriculum to support fellows that will become leaders in the field of Minimally Invasive Gynecologic Surgery.

For additional information, please look at our website (<https://www.med.unc.edu/obgyn/migs/>) or call (984-215-3050).