

Criteria for Emergency Medicine Selective

- The selective experience must allow students to evaluate new patients independently with subsequent oversight by faculty.
- All EM selectives must allow some exposure to pediatric patients.
- The facility should receive ambulances, rather than being solely an acute care/urgent care facility. The exception is the Galveston facility – the selective may be completed in the Urgent Care until the ER reopens.
- The site may be university or community based, but the student must be supervised by a staff ED physician.
- Students will maintain procedure and case logs.
- Students will complete either a structured EBM exercise or an observed patient encounter with faculty feedback; a comparable faculty graded exercise may be substituted if already part of the curriculum in a course being completed at another medical school.
- The number of shifts must total to a full-time experience; the minimum standard is a total of 120 hours per month, with at least 2 patient evaluations per half day.
- Students interested in Pediatrics may complete the selective in an Emergency Room at a Children's Hospital.