

**Title of Clerkship:** Endocrinology Elective – Lima AHEC (4 week)

**Elective Type:** Fourth Year Elective

**Department:** Internal Medicine

**Clerkship Site:** Lima, Ohio

**Course Number:** MEDI735

**Blocks available:** By request through the AHEC Center Office.

**Number of students per block:** 1

**Faculty:** Various Preceptors

**Elective Description/ Requirements:** The students will have the opportunity to expand their knowledge of endocrinology by actively participating in the initial evaluation, diagnosis, and management of patients with endocrine and metabolic problems under the supervision of a faculty member. Also they will participate in the care of inpatients with endocrine and metabolic disorders and patients seen in consultation.

**Length of Clerkship:** 4 weeks

**Links to EPOs**

S1, S3, S4  
K3, K4  
S7, S9  
S8, K5  
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S8

**Educational Course Objectives:**

1. To interview and examine patients with the most common endocrine and metabolic disease (e.g., diabetes mellitus, thyroid diseases, etc.)
2. To recognize the symptoms and signs of common endocrine and metabolic disorders.
3. To describe the indications and establish the diagnostic significance of endocrine function tests.
4. To synthesize the clinical and laboratory information and create a pertinent problem list.
5. To analyze the clinical and laboratory data and arrive at a reasonable diagnostic hypothesis.
6. To outline plans for management and treatment of the most common endocrine and metabolic disorders.

**Professionalism:** UT/COM students will meet or exceed the institutional standards for professionalism as stated in the current Educational Program Objectives and the current Educational Course Objectives for the Sponsoring Department.

**Instructional Methods:**

1. Interpretation of lab data
2. Diagnostic tests – use/interpretation
3. Lecture/media
4. Independent study
5. Inpatient rounds
6. Outpatient rounds

**Evaluation methods employed:**

1. Attendance
2. Case presentation
3. Case write-up
4. Faculty/Resident observation
5. Narrative

**Prerequisites:** Successful completion of required Internal Medicine Clerkship.

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**Special Requirements:** None.

**AAMC Hot Topics Addressed in this Elective Clerkship:**

4. Clinical Problem Solving and Decision Making