



Across the Continuum of Education - Fall 2021

Dear BSD faculty, residents, fellows, students, and staff,

Welcome to Across the Continuum of Education (ACE), a new quarterly communication to share upcoming events and outstanding accomplishments across the medical education continuum at University of Chicago. See below for highlights and updates from Undergraduate Medical Education, Graduate Medical Education, Faculty Development and Continuing Medical Education, and Simulation.

This Fall, I welcome your input in the Pritzker EVOLVES process as well as your participation in many upcoming events, including the return of Medical Education Day. As we mark 18 months in a pandemic, I wish to acknowledge how much sheer work has gone into supporting our pandemic response and preserving learning and patient care by our learners, faculty, and staff. I especially want to thank the faculty and staff across the continuum who go the extra mile every day to support learners no matter where they are in training. I welcome your ideas and suggestions as we move forward as a learning community.



Best Wishes,

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Undergraduate Medical Education

The Pritzker School of Medicine is pleased to welcome our new class of M1s. A few facts about this impressive incoming class:

- 90 total students (81 MD, 9 MSTP)
- 36% underrepresented in medicine
- 20 students from Illinois and 8 UChicago undergraduates
- 55 undergraduate institutions represented
- 72% took at least one year off before starting medical school
- 24 - average age of the incoming students

With UChicago's return to in-person learning as well as the reopening of the medical school suite, we are excited to have all our medical students back in an optimal learning environment while maintaining all the mitigations necessary to protect against the spread of COVID-19.

Pritzker EVOLVES

Finally, as many of you know, Pritzker has begun the process of evaluating and renewing our curriculum. As the first step of the Ensuring a Vision of Leading with our Values to Educate Students (EVOLVES) Curriculum Renewal Process, we are soliciting suggestions from our students, staff, and faculty who know our learners, culture, resources, and challenges best. We invite all faculty to [submit suggestions for our Pritzker EVOLVES curriculum renewal process here](#). This effort aims to have a new curriculum fully implemented by Fall 2023.

Graduate Medical Education

GME is pleased to welcome our new residents and fellows. A glance at this immensely talented group of physicians:

- **213** new residents started this year, including **180 PGY1 residents** (135 at UCMC and 45 at NorthShore).
- **28** states represented from the Main Match along with Puerto Rico and 11 total countries
- **96** medical schools represented among the new residents, with **18** individuals matching from the Pritzker School of Medicine
- **24 percent** of matching residents have backgrounds underrepresented in medicine, a marked increase from 14 percent a year ago. Additionally, a little more than **50 percent** of the new group identify as women.

Spread the Word: UCM Virtual Residency Showcase

The Office of Graduate Medical Education is sponsoring a Virtual Residency Showcase for 3rd and 4th year medical students interested in learning more about UCM residency training programs on **Saturday, September 18th from 10:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.** The showcase will include a resident panel, highlights of diversity, inclusion, and equity resources, a program director/faculty panel, and individual program sessions. Please help us spread the word to prospective applicants as we recruit our next great class of residents! [Registration for medical students is now open.](#)

Faculty Development & Continuing Medical Education

We want to share some notable faculty development opportunities:

Medical Education Day 2021

The Academy of Distinguished Medical Educators is excited to welcome **Dr. George Mejicano, MD, MS, Professor of Medicine and Senior Associate Dean for Education at Oregon Health and Science University** as this year's Medical Education Day speaker on **Thursday, November 18th**.

Following the traditional program director and clerkship director retreat, Dr. Mejicano will give a hybrid Medical Education Day **keynote address at 12:00 p.m.** – both in-person in the BSLC and streamed via Zoom. The topic of Dr. Mejicano's address will be Master Adaptive Learning. The rest of the day's schedule is as follows:

- 1:00 p.m. - Induction of new Fellows and Masters into the Academy of Distinguished Medical Educators.
- 2:00 p.m. - Oral plenary presentation (Hybrid -- BSLC and Zoom)

A final reminder that poster proposals are due by Monday, Sept. 13 and the poster session will be entirely virtual this year. Posters will be available for viewing and interaction beginning at **1:00 p.m.** on November 18th.

Urban Health Initiative Cultural Competence Mini-Series

The Urban Health Initiative Office of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion is offering a *Cultural Competence Mini-Series* beginning in late September. The series will offer 11 virtual sessions aimed at building an organization that meets patients' and staff's cultural and communication needs. Sign up is via the Absorb Learning Management System. Email CulturalCompetence@uchospitals.edu with any questions.

MacLean Center for Clinical Medical Ethics: 40th MacLean Center for Clinical Medical Ethics Series and 33rd Annual Dorothy J. MacLean Fellows Conference

The 40th annual MacLean Center for Clinical Medical Ethics Series this year will focus on Medical History and Ethics and starts on **October 6th at 12 p.m.** Organized by Dr. Mindy Schwartz and Dr. Mark Siegler, the 2021-2022 academic year caps 40 years of interdisciplinary collaboration, which has addressed topics of incredible breadth across time. [Pre-register and find more information here.](#)

The MacLean Center hosts its annual conference on clinical medical ethics virtually this year on **Friday, November 12th and Saturday, November 13th**. The conference, which is free and open to all, aims to improve patient care and outcomes by educating physicians and the other healthcare professionals about clinical medical ethics through lectures, panel discussions, and collaboration. [More information, program schedule, and registration are available here](#)

Faculty Advancing in Medical Education (FAME) Workshops

Bringing Allyship to Medical Education -October 15th, 2021, 12:00 - 1:00 p.m. via Zoom

- Presented by Adrienne Dade, MD, and Candice Norcott, PhD

Direct Observation of Learners -December 6th, 2021, 12:00 - 1:00 p.m. via zoom

- Presented by Melissa Hogg, MD, MS, NorthShore University HealthSystem

[Visit the FAME website](#) for more information and to register for Upcoming FAME workshops.

CME Office

Finally, congratulations to the CME team on its invitation from the Accreditation Council for CME (ACCME) to beta test for the [ACCME Academy](#) a newly launched professional development training and resource hub developed specifically for education professionals. CME and FAME faculty and staff will provide feedback to the ACCME Academy monthly through November.

Simulation

University of Chicago Simulation Center Open House

Co-sponsored with hospital leadership and in celebration of National Healthcare Simulation week, you are invited to join the University of Chicago Simulation Center for an Open House on **Friday, September 17 from 11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.** in the Simulation Center on the 6th floor of Mitchell Hospital. The demonstration will feature augmented and virtual reality experiences, a demonstration of the DaVinci surgical robot, and contests and prizes. [Sign up for a time slot](#) is required.

Call for Scholarly Opportunities for Medical Students and Residents

The Pritzker Scholarly Opportunities Online Catalog showcases faculty projects and is used by Pritzker students to identify projects and mentors for the Summer Research Program and ongoing mentored research through Scholarship & Discovery. This year, faculty have the opportunity to flag a project that is also available to residents and fellows, who are invited to browse the catalog.

If you have a project that you would like to list, please follow the below instructions.

1. Click the following link: [Pritzker Scholarly Opportunities Online Catalog](#)
2. Use your CNET or UCHAD ID to log in
3. Click Mentors & Delegates to add a new project
4. Click "add a new project" button

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