

Undergraduate Fellowship Programs

Pre-Doctoral Osteopathic Principles and Practice Fellowship

The Pre-Doctoral Osteopathic Principles and Practice Fellowship program is designed to augment students' knowledge and application of the principles, philosophies, procedures, and practice of Osteopathic medicine in both the academic and clinical settings. This fellowship emphasizes an anatomic and physiologic understanding and application of Osteopathic Principles and Practice (OPP) through clinical and academic teaching experiences. Fellows function as members of the Clinical Anatomy and Osteopathic Principles and Practice (CA-OPP) Department, aiding in all aspects of the delivery of the OPP curriculum. In addition, the fellowship provides excellent clinical experience through a variety of venues, including osteopathic healthcare for patients from infancy through geriatrics.

The OPP Fellowship is a highly competitive program requiring that students go through an application and interview process. Four students are chosen per campus per year. Participation in the Pre-Doctoral Osteopathic Principles and Practice Fellowship extends the student's tenure at RVU by one year. Program experiences will occur in Years 3 and 4. Each fellow will alternately rotate between fellowship duties and the clinical clerkships curriculum approximately every 3 months resulting in a six-month involvement in each of Year 3 and Year 4. In Year 5, Fellows will return to the normal Year 4 Clinical Clerkships curriculum. A certificate indicating successful completion of the fellowship will be awarded at graduation.

Predoctoral Anatomy Fellowship Program

The RVU Predoctoral Anatomy Fellowship Program is designed to provide a continuum of the study of anatomy to the next level, as well as provide the student with tools that can be utilized to either teach or conduct anatomical research appropriate to the context of their final field of endeavor.

Two students are selected yearly for this program (each in Colorado and Utah) following an interview process conducted by the members of the Department of Clinical Anatomy and Osteopathic Principles and Practice (CA-OPP). Recommendations made by the Department will be forwarded to the Dean of the applicant's campus for approval.

Participation in the Anatomy Fellowship will extend the student's tenure at RVU by one year. Program experiences will occur in Years III and IV; Year V will return to the normal Year IV Clinical Clerkship curriculum. Each fellow will alternately rotate between fellowship program curriculum and the Clinical Clerkship curriculum every 6-8 weeks resulting in an approximate six-month involvement in each of Years III and IV. A certificate indicating successful completion of the Anatomy Fellowship Program will be awarded at graduation.