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SAINT LOUIS UNIVERSITY

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Saint Louis University is located in beautiful midtown St. Louis. Established in 1836, Saint Louis University School of Medicine has the distinction of awarding the first M.D. degree west of the Mississippi River. The Department of Obstetrics, Gynecology and Women's Health specializes in women's health services, high risk obstetrics, advanced laparoscopic training, and urogynecology. SLU*Care* is also a pioneer in geriatric medicine, organ transplantation, chronic disease prevention, cardiovascular disease, neurosciences and vaccine research, among others. The School of Medicine trains physicians and biomedical scientists, conducts medical research and provides health services on a local, national, and international level.

THE ST. LOUIS AREA

St. Louis enjoys a very comfortable climate and a very reasonable cost of living. The St. Louis climate has four distinct seasons with beautiful, lingering springs and autumns, occasional cold periods in winter, and warm, humid summers. Whether you choose to rent or own, housing is extremely reasonable and very spacious for the price.

The St. Louis area's cultural resources include a nationally renowned symphony orchestra, chamber musical groups, municipal light opera, art museum, Fabulous Fox Theatre, science museum, history museum, Missouri Botanical (Shaw's) Garden and Climatron, and FREE admission to our St. Louis Zoo. The riverfront and downtown area include casino gambling, the Gateway Arch museum and national park, and several trendy restaurants and bars in the renovated Loft District along Washington Avenue. The Midtown area has recently opened The Armory, home to a variety of entertainment experiences including a concert venue, badminton, ping pong, cornhole, and horseshoes. Next door to that is new St. Louis Foundry, home of several restaurants and City Winery. The Historic Union Station features a brand new 120,000 square-foot aquarium, miniature golf, stunning 3D light show, and a 200-foot Ferris wheel with climate-controlled gondolas that seat up to 6 people.

Also downtown is Ballpark Village, which is located next door to the St. Louis Cardinals baseball stadium. The Village includes hotel space, bars, restaurants, and Bally Sports Midwest Live!, a 20,000 square-foot marketplace that features a massive 40 foot LED screen, four 90-inch LED TVs and nine 50-ince LED TVs

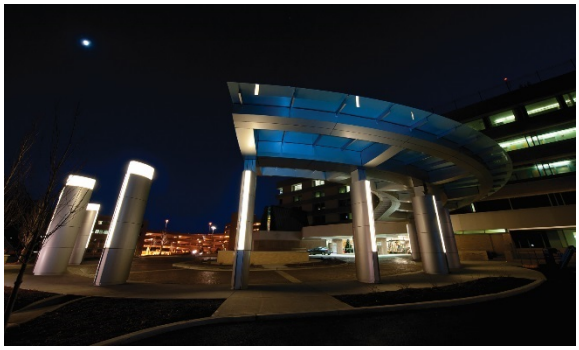
The Anheuser-Busch Brewery offers free tours and is near the historical Soulard area. The lively neighborhood was named for Antoine Soulard, a Frenchman who surveyed colonial St. Louis for the King of Spain and originally owned this tract of land just minutes south of the Gateway Arch. The Soulard neighborhood marks its French heritage with a Bastille Day celebration each July and an 11-day Mardi Gras celebration in February. Soulard Farmers Market, operating continuously since 1779, is the neighborhood's centerpiece where locals and visitors swarm to buy fresh produce, flowers, baked goods, and exotic spices, Wednesdays through Saturdays.

"The Hill" is a culinary delight for the town of St. Louis. Settled in the early 1900s by Italian immigrants, residents still carry on their traditions in this lively neighborhood just minutes from downtown. Even the neighborhood's fire hydrants and cross walks are painted green, white and red in tribute to the tri-color flag of Italy. Baseball personalities Yogi Berra, Joe Garagiola and Jack Buck grew up on the Hill's Elizabeth Avenue, which now bears the name "Hall of Fame Place" in their honor. The 2005 film, "The Game of Their Lives" (released on DVD as "The Miracle Match") put The Hill in St. Louis on movie screens everywhere by chronicling exploits of the 1950 U.S. soccer team – led by young men from The Hill – that beat England in a stunning World Cup upset. The neighborhood is chuck-full of fantastic restaurants, delis, bakeries and taverns. You can find homemade Italian delicacies at every corner.

Sports in St. Louis includes the Division I Saint Louis University Men's Basketball team (The Billikens), the 2011 World Series Champion Baseball Cardinals (and also won 10 other times), the 2019 Stanley Cup winners St. Louis Blues Hockey and the brand new Major League Soccer team, St. Louis City SC. Their inaugural season began in March 2023. St. Louis City plays to sold out crowds at City Park, a new stadium that was built just West of the downtown area (see right). St. Louis Blues Hockey plays at Enterprise Center in the downtown area, and the St. Louis Baseball Cardinals play at Busch stadium that was built in the winter of 2006 that features an open outfield that allows spectators to have a great view of the downtown St. Louis skyline and Gateway Arch. The Saint Louis University Billiken Basketball team has a state-of-the-art arena on the SLU campus in Midtown called the Chaifetz Arena (upper left).

OBSTETRICS, GYNECOLOGY AND WOMEN'S HEALTH

The Department of Obstetrics, Gynecology, and Women's Health has had a long and proud tradition of commitment to excellence in medical education training of both students and residents. The Residency Program is fully accredited by the Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education (ACGME).



The Residency Training Program is organized to provide during the four years, a hands-on, broad experience necessary for developing the essential clinical and technical skills of a primary care and consultant obstetrician/gynecologist. Many of our residents also pursue academic careers and we do attach particular significance to the residents' involvement in research projects. The Medical Student Clerkship provides a Phase 3 Obstetrics and Gynecology rotation which incorporates a wide range of medical care services for women of all ages.

The Department serves a diverse population from the Greater Metropolitan Missouri, which seeks the special expertise of our faculty. The programs are based at SSM St. Mary's Hospital, a tertiary referral center for a large geographical area in Missouri and Southern Illinois. It is located approximately 6 miles from the School of Medicine (about 8 minutes away). Our training programs also incorporate other hospitals for maximum exposure to all available educational opportunities and faculty expertise: SSM Saint Louis University Hospital, St. Luke's Hospital, and other elective rotations.

St. Mary's is a major tertiary hospital with services including comprehensive obstetrics and cardiology services, including high-risk obstetrics and open-heart surgery. There is also a wide variety of other hospital and outpatient services. St. Mary's has 582 total beds, 1,900 employees, 19,113 acute admissions, 4,427 inpatient surgeries, 6,779 outpatient surgeries, 39,347 ER visits, and 1,000 physicians on staff. Outpatient services include resident clinics, county clinics, and faculty private practice.

The training programs are conducted in an atmosphere of academic collegiality. We firmly believe that a supportive environment is conducive to a long lasting personal and professional association between faculty, residents, and students. Our faculty come from diverse ethnic, cultural and educational backgrounds. Faculty numbers have continued to expand with a very low attrition rate. Residents have the advantage of a university program but also excellent exposure to private practitioners and the private practice environment. You will find our programs innovative, stimulating, and foremost career enhancing.

OBSTETRICS AND GYNECOLOGY FACULTY

Mary McLennan, M.D.
Professor and Chairman

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Residency Program Director

Amy Bilyeu, M.D., Associate Professor
Associate Residency Program Director

DIVISION OF OBSTETRICS AND GYNECOLOGY SPECIALISTS:

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Residency Program Director

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Associate Residency Program Director
Director, Complex Family Planning

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Director, Simulation Program

Jill Powell, M.D.
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Professor

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Instructor

Surbhi Jain, M.D.
Instructor

Kamala Thanapandian, M.D.
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Director, 3rd year Medical Student Clerkship Program

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Professor Emeritus

Darryl Zinck, M.D.
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SECTION OF MINIMALLY INVASIVE SURGERY

M. Brigid Holloran-Schwartz, M.D.
Professor and Chief, Section of MIS

Kristie Lou, M.D.
Assistant Professor

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Amber Cooper, M.D.
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Professor

Alexander Hubb, M.D.
Assistant Professor

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Nurse Practitioner, Professor and Co-Director
Vulvar and Vaginal Disorders Specialty Ctr

Cherie LeFevre, M.D.
Professor and Director,
Vulvar and Vaginal Disorders Specialty Ctr

Jennifer Bickhaus, M.D.
Associate Professor
Director, Research Division

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Professor

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Randall Gibb, M.D.
Professor

DIVISION OF MATERNAL-FETAL MEDICINE

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Medical Director, Antepartum Service/Labor & Delivery

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Director, Perinatal Diabetes Center

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Carmen Paredes Saenz, M.D.
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Director, Fetal Care Institutet

Judith Mead, M.D.
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Corenthian Booker, M.D.
Adjunct Associate Professor

Barbara Head, M.D.
Professor

Jacqueline Grant, M.D.
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Gary Dildy, M.D.
Adjunct Assistant Professor

Raul Artal, M.D.
Professor Emeritus

Jordan Lowe, M.D.
Fellow, PGY7

Justine Keller, M.D.
Fellow, PGY7

Alexandra Ragsdale, M.D.
Fellow, PGY6

Zachary Stanley, M.D.
Fellow, PGY6

Tucker Doiron, M.D.
Fellow, PGY5

Michelle Petrich, M.D.
Fellow, PGY5

DIVISION OF RESEARCH

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Associate Professor
Director, Research Division

Shohreh Jamalabadi-Majidi, DMD, MPH
Research Coordinator

RESIDENCY TRAINING AND EXPERIENCE

Residents will be trained in General Obstetrics and Gynecology, Maternal Fetal Medicine, Urogynecology, Minimally Invasive Gynecologic Surgery, Gynecologic Oncology and Reproductive Endocrinology and Infertility. They will gain experience in General Obstetrics and Gynecology, High Risk Obstetrics, Neonatal Intensive Care Unit, Fetal Care, Operative Gynecology, Gynecologic Malignancies, Infertility and Endocrinopathies Pathology, Diagnosis and Management of Breast Disease, Urogynecology, Genetic Disorders, Ultrasonography, Family Planning and Abortion, Psychosexual Counseling, Critically Ill Patients, Neonatal resuscitation, Emergency Medicine, Basic Medical Epidemiology and Statistics, Ethics and Medical Jurisprudence.

GENERAL OBSTETRICS AND GYNECOLOGY SERVICE

GENERAL DESCRIPTION:
The Generalist Division is committed to the education of residents in Women's Health. The Division encompasses conditions which are associated with both obstetric and gynecologic care. The Division has expertise in the delivery of routine and specialized obstetrics care as well as management of obstetric complications and medical conditions of pregnancy. In addition, the Division has expertise in both outpatient and inpatient management of common gynecologic conditions including AUB, PMB, PID, abnormal cervical cytology, family planning (including LARC placement), pediatric and adolescent gynecology, menopause, endometriosis, complex gynecologic surgeries and minimally invasive surgery. Residents manage common gynecologic problems both medically and surgically. The Division also provides all obstetric and gynecologic care for the St. Louis County Department of Health. Residents rotate at these sites and gain invaluable experience in public health.

GOALS AND OBJECTIVES:
The educational program in General Obstetrics and Gynecology is a graduated learning experience. Residents will be exposed to the outpatient and inpatient management of common gynecologic problems. Residents will be trained in open and minimally invasive surgery, including complex pelvic surgery. Residents will provide routine prenatal care as well as antepartum, intrapartum and postpartum care. Operative delivery, including forceps assisted delivery, will be taught. Residents will be well versed in various delivery techniques including midwifery, challenging repeat cesarean sections, and management of both normal and dysfunctional labor. Upon completion of the residency program, graduates will be skilled in caring for patients in need of obstetrical and gynecologic care and serve as a consultant to other physicians.

This program operates primarily in an institution that does not practice abortions due to religious reasons. However, all residents will receive education and experience in managing complications of abortion per the regulations of the Review Committee (RC) with the Accreditation Council of Graduate Medical Education (ACGME). If a resident *chooses* to receive further education and experience performing elective abortions, arrangements will be made at another institution.

In addition, residents are well trained in all forms of birth control including LARC devices.

MATERNAL-FETAL MEDICINE SERVICE

GENERAL DESCRIPTION

The Maternal-Fetal Medicine Division provides training in the care of women with pregnancies at high risk for adverse fetal or maternal outcomes. In addition, we provide training and experience in preconception counseling and counseling and evaluation of patients at risk for offspring with genetic disorders or other fetal abnormalities.

GOALS

The goal of the MFM rotation is to provide an opportunity for residents to gain skill and competence in the care of medical and obstetrical complications of pregnancy. This includes developing an understanding of the physiologic changes of pregnancy and how they are pertinent in the assessment and management of disease states. The resident should learn how to identify important risk factors during and prior to pregnancy. He/She should learn how to access information sources, when needed, to aid in the management of women with uncommon disorders or issues. He/She should learn en consultation is needed and have a good sense of the appropriate level or urgency in various clinical situations.

OBJECTIVES

Residents will understand and be able to discuss the indications, contraindications, risks, and benefits of the various procedures and therapies used in and around the time of pregnancy. By the end of the residency they will be able to perform independently those procedures expected of a specialist in Obstetrics and Gynecology. The chief resident will gain experience in the complex decision making required for the management in high-risk cases, including coordinating the input of neonatology anesthesiology and other medical/surgical consult services.

GYNECOLOGIC ONCOLOGY SERVICE

GENERAL DESCRIPTION

The Gynecologic Oncology Division provides educational experience for resident physicians and medical students in the care of patients with gynecologic malignancy. All aspects of gynecologic cancer, including prevention, diagnosis, treatment, and management of complications related to disease process and/or treatment, together with terminal care are taught by attending gynecologic oncologists through direct daily contact with patients; both in hospital and ambulatory care settings.

GOALS

It is the goal of gynecologic oncology rotation to provide an opportunity for the residents to gain basic understanding of tumor biology, and pathophysiology of various gynecologic cancers. The purpose of this rotation is to gain clinical skill and competency in the diagnosis and care of these patients, as a primary care obstetrician-gynecologist. State-of-the-art multi-modality treatment, including surgery, radiation, chemotherapy and biological treatment will be emphasized

OBJECTIVES

Through regularly held divisional conference, discussion and instruction during attending rounds and direct participation in all aspect of patient care, residents become familiar with current diagnostic techniques, pre-treatment work-ups, various treatment modalities, post treatment care and follow up of patients with gynecologic cancer.

For those patients undergoing surgical treatment, residents are given responsibility appropriate for their level of training and directly participate in surgery. They will be instructed in basic surgical skills, and be able to perform various pelvic surgical procedure under the direct supervision of the gynecologic oncologist.

During their rotation, residents will be instructed and become familiar with principles of radiation therapy for gynecologic cancer. Through both ambulatory care facilities and in-patient care settings, resident will be given instruction in basic clinical pharmacology, indications, and potential side effects of common chemotherapeutic agents. Resident will also be instructed in the management and participate in the care of patients with complications secondary to their treatment.

UROGYNECOLOGY SERVICE

GENERAL DESCRIPTION

Urogynecology encompasses evaluation and treatment of female urinary incontinence, fecal incontinence, urinary retention, painful bladder conditions, and pelvic organ prolapse. The division has the ability to perform in office procedures including multichannel urodynamics, cystoscopy, collagen injections, biofeedback, electrical stimulation, pudendal nerve testing, EMG, and sacral nerve test stimulation. Operative therapy involves abdominal, laparoscopic, and vaginal procedures for incontinence, retention and prolapse.

GOALS AND OBJECTIVES

To understand the anatomy and function of the pelvic floor. To be proficient in evaluation and both conservative and operative therapy for uncomplicated urinary and fecal incontinence and pelvic organ prolapse.

REPRODUCTIVE ENDOCRINOLOGY AND INFERTILITY SERVICE

GENERAL DESCRIPTION

The Reproductive Endocrinology and Infertility rotation occurs during the third year of residency. It is a eight-week rotation where the resident will get hands-on training of infertile couples and patients with reproductive disorders. After completion of the rotation, the resident will be able to confidently manage the diagnosis and treatment of infertile couples, as well as management of endocrinologic disorders such as, but not limited to, polycystic ovarian syndrome, hirsutism, amenorrhea, and disorders of menstruation. Residents will also be trained in management of ovulatory disorders, as well as becoming familiar with assisted reproductive technologies and techniques.

GOALS AND OBJECTIVES

The resident will be exposed to various infertility patients, ranging from ovulatory, male factor and tubal disorders and participate directly in the care and decision making of these patients. In addition, the resident will have exposure to reproductive endocrine disorders such as abnormal puberty and sexual development, amenorrhea, menstrual disorders, PCOS, premature menopause, and contraception. The resident will have exposure to ovulation induction agents such as Clomiphene citrate, and human menopausal Gonadotropins and how to use them in the infertile couple. The resident will also perform (under supervision) the ultrasounds pertaining to patient care. The resident will also learn how to perform sperm washes and intrauterine insemination, and saline infusion ultrasound. Residents participate in all REI surgeries and learn laparoscopic and hysteroscopic techniques, as well as myomectomies. The motivated resident will have the opportunity to learn microsurgical techniques by employing the use of microscopic instruments by reanastomosing placental vessels and tubal

reanastomosis on patients with prior tubal ligations. The Resident works one-on-one with a Board Certified REI physician.

SALARY AND BENEFITS

The current salary scale (academic year 2023-24) for Residents at Saint Louis University School Of Medicine is as follows:

PGY-I	$58,385	PGY-III	$62,497
PGY-II	$60,048	PGY-IV	$64,922

Annual Vacation Leave
Residents will have 1 week of vacation every 4 months (total of 3 weeks per year) with an additional week in the third or fourth year (see below).

Maternity/Paternity or Sick Leave
Maternity Leave and Paternity Leave are available for a negotiated number of working days. This is leave in addition to Annual Vacation. The program complies with ABOG (American Board of Obstetrics and Gynecology) regulations and if leave extends more than 12 weeks per year (including vacation time) or 24 weeks over 4 years, your Residency training will need to be extended.

Other Leave
Leave is also available for Educational Meetings/Conferences if a resident has original research accepted for presentation.

Interviewing
Leave is also available for interviewing during the PGY3 or PGY4 year for fellowship, academic generalist, or a private practice position after completion of residency.

Health Insurance Health insurance is provided to GME trainees through WellFirst Medical Plan at a discounted premium

For more information about SSM Health GME benefits, see: https://www.ssmhealth.com/resources-for-health-professionals/education/medical-residencies/graduate-medical-education-saint-louis-university/gme-benefits

RESIDENT EVALUATION

Continuous, individual evaluation is an integral part of the residents' education throughout their four years of training. Residents are formally evaluated by the faculty after each rotation and on specific encounters during that rotation. Faculty are also required to provide ongoing feedback to the residents through on online evaluation system that can also be downloaded on their smartphones. They can evaluate residents on their professionalism, communication, medical knowledge, and skills throughout their time of interaction. All residents have faculty and upper-level resident mentors.

At the six-month evaluation intervals, residents are provided with a written evaluation summary that has been prepared by the Program Director and the Clinical Competency Committee. This summary is based on residents' performance in their assigned rotations, their progress on milestones, their in-training examination scores, and any other issues deemed important by the resident or the faculty.

An anonymous, formal written evaluation of the faculty by the residents is conducted on a yearly basis. The residents and faculty are also encouraged to evaluate the program.

Residents are required to do an individual learning plan on a yearly basis and the progress of this self-assessment is discussed on a quarterly basis with their faculty advisor. Each resident is encouraged to communicate with his/her faculty advisors weekly to offer assistance with professional development.

Resident performance, in general, is also discussed at the monthly Division meetings and semiannually at the Department's Clinical Competency Committee meetings as the basis for promotion to the next level and graduation of the chief residents. Medical students and nurses routinely submit their evaluations of the residents' concerning their teaching performance and this is included in the committee review process. Patients also evaluate the residents on professionalism and communication. Finally the residents are evaluated anonymously by their peers. This 360-degree evaluation process evaluates the residents' competency in interpersonal and communication skills and teaching skills.

It should be noted that the Director places equal importance in rewarding good performance, and this is stressed at the periodic meetings with individual residents as well as during case conferences.

RESIDENT ROTATIONS

The First Year
2 Months – St. Mary's Gynecology
1 Month – Inpatient Gynecology
1 Month – Various Specialty Outpatient Clinics
5 Months - St. Mary's Obstetrics (4 months Labor & Delivery and 1 month Antepartum)
1 Month – Ultrasound
2 Months - Night Float

The Second Year
2 months - St. Mary's Gynecology
1 month - Various Specialty Outpatient Clinics
1 month – Inpatient Gynecology
2 months - Gynecologic Oncology
1 month – Urogynecology
2 months - Night Float
3 months - St. Mary's Obstetrics (2 month Labor & Delivery and 1 month Antepartum)

The Third Year
1 month – St. Mary's Gynecology
1 Month – Gynecology Float
1 month – Urogynecology
2 months – Gynecologic Oncology
2 months – Reproductive Endocrinology/Infertility
1 month - Various Specialty Outpatient Clinics
2 months - Night Float
2 months - St. Mary's Obstetrics (1 month Labor & Delivery and 1 month Antepartum)

The Fourth Year
1 month – St. Mary's Gynecology
1 month – Gynecology Float
1 month - Reproductive Endocrinology/Infertility
2 months - Urogynecology
2 months - St. Mary's Obstetrics (1 month Labor & Delivery and 1 month Antepartum)
2 months - Gynecologic Oncology
1 month - Various Specialty Outpatient Clinics
2 months – Night Float

MEET THE CURRENT RESIDENTS

Fourth Year residents

Allison Gustafson, MD
Medical College of Wisconsin
Milwaukee, WI

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University of Cincinnati COM
Cincinnati, OH

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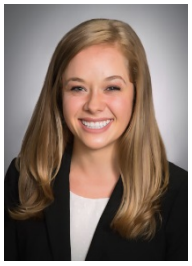

Malori Mattson, MD
Creighton University SOM
Omaha, NE

Megan Monohan, MD
University of Louisville SOM
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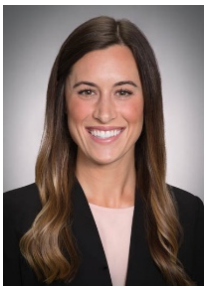
Allison Watkins, MD
Univ of Missouri-Columbia SOM
Columbia, MO

Third Year residents



Taylor Ditoro, MD
University of Nebraska COM
Omaha, NE

Allison Gonzalez, MD
Univ of Arkansas for Medical Sciences COM
Little Rock, AR

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University of Missouri-Columbia SOM
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Jacob Rosner, MD
University of South Alabama SOM
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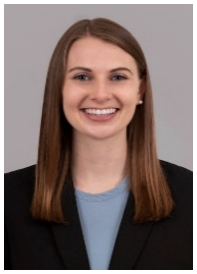

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Scranton, PA

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College of Medicine
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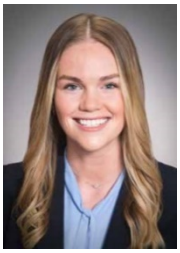

Karly Meyer, MD
University of Nebraska COM
Omaha, NE

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First Year Residents

Miranda Corona, M.D.
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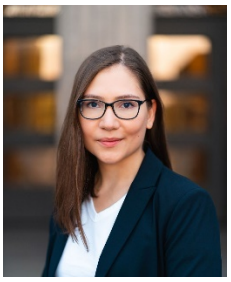

Yelena Mishkov, M.D.
University of Washington SOM
St. Louis, MO

James Redmond, M.D.
Keck SOM Univ of So. California
Los Angeles, CA

RESIDENT STATISTICS

SURGICAL PROCEDURES (Surgeon + Yr4 Teach Asst)
2021-22

Procedure	ACGME Minimum numbers	Our Program Average over 4 years
Spontaneous deliveries	200	389
Cesarean deliveries	145	232
Operative vaginal deliveries	15	23
Obstetric Ultrasound	50	286
Abdominal hysterectomy	15	39
Vaginal hysterectomy	15	26
Laparoscopic hysterectomy	15	66
Total Hysterectomy	85	132
Incontinence/pelvic floor	25	66
Cystoscopy	10	107
Laparoscopy	60	125
Operative Hysteroscopy	40	59
Abortions	20	33
Transvaginal ultrasound	50	71
Surgery for invasive cancer	25	58

APPLICATION

Thank you for your interest in our residency program in Obstetrics, Gynecology and Women's Health at Saint Louis University. Our residency program consists of 24 residents, 6 per year. We are again looking to fill 6 positions for the 2024-25 academic year.

As you may know, all applicants are expected to apply using the Electronic Residency Application Service (ERAS) from the Association of American Medical Colleges (AAMC) and the Educational Commission for Foreign Medical Graduates (ECFMG). If you are interested in applying to our program, please contact the Dean's Office of your medical school of graduation for your ERAS information packet. If you are an international medical graduate, please contact your local ECFMG office for more information about ERAS.

We will accept electronic applications only through ERAS. Mailed, emailed or faxed applications will not be reviewed. The deadline for submission of your ERAS application to be considered for the 2022 match is **October 1, 2023.** Early applications are encouraged. We accept both American and foreign medical graduates and there are no minimum scores required nor clinical experience. We look at the entire application and invite the best 100 applications out of the 600 or so that we receive. While scores are important, so are your transcripts, recommendation letters, personal statement, etc. Saint Louis University will sponsor J1 Visas but not H1 Visas.

Your file will be considered complete when all ERAS materials (including at least 3 letters of recommendation, medical school transcripts, personal statement, ECFMG certificates [if applicable] and documentation of national USMLE or COMLEX scores) have been received. When completing your electronic application, please be sure to check the box indicating your request for electronic submission of your licensure test scores. Also, please be sure to update your electronic application with any changes such as contact address, e-mail address, telephone number, or honors received.

This year's interview days will all be virtual and will be held on Friday mornings. There will also be a virtual "happy hour" the night before with just the residents. We will also have several videos available of our residents and faculty so that you can get to know our Program better, since you will not be visiting in person. Right now, the dates for interviews have been set as: November 3, November 10, December 1, December 8, and December 15, 2023. We will send the initial interview invites to applicants on October 24, 2023. Additional invites will be sent thereafter depending upon availability. We will wait 48 hours for an applicant to respond to an invite before we invite someone else in that spot.

If you have any additional questions or need assistance, please contact the Lori Hartig, Program Manager by email: Lori.hartig@slucare.ssmhealth.com.