

General Surgery Residency Program Curriculum

Our General Surgery Residency Program is designed to provide a comprehensive foundation in value-based, patient-centered healthcare delivery for the management of diverse surgical diseases.

Core Educational Activities

Weekly Conferences:

- Basic Science Conference
- Advanced Science Conference
- Tumor Board
- Morbidity & Mortality (M&M;)

Monthly Conferences & Activities:

- Grand Rounds
- Journal Club
- Simulation Lab

PGY-1

- Surgical Oncology (2 months)
- General & Vascular Surgery (2 months)
- Trauma ICU (2 months)
- Breast & Plastic Reconstruction Surgery (1 month)
- Burns (1 month)
- Acute Care Surgery (3 months)
- Minimally Invasive Surgery (1 month)

PGY-2

- Surgical Oncology (2 months)
- General & Vascular Surgery (1 month)
- Minimally Invasive Surgery (2 months)
- Trauma ICU (2 months)
- Pediatric Surgery – UT Southwestern (2 months)
- Transplant Surgery – UT Southwestern (1 month)
- Acute Care Surgery (2 months)

PGY-3

- Surgical Oncology (1 month)
- General & Vascular Surgery (2 months)
- Trauma ICU (3 months)
- Minimally Invasive Surgery (1 month)
- Breast & Plastic Reconstruction Surgery (1 month)
- Acute Care Surgery (3 months)
- Endoscopy (1 month)

PGY-4

- Surgical Oncology (2 months)
- Vascular Surgery (2 months)
- Minimally Invasive Surgery (2 months)
- Cardiovascular Surgery (1 month)
- Acute Care Surgery (2 months)
- Breast & Plastic Reconstruction Surgery (1 month)
- Trauma ICU (2 months)
- Elective Rotation (optional, 2 months)

PGY-5 (Chief Year)

- Surgical Oncology (3 months)
- General & Vascular Surgery (3 months)
- Minimally Invasive Surgery (2 months)
- Trauma ICU (1 month)
- Acute Care Surgery (3 months)

Program Highlights

- Broad exposure across all major surgical disciplines
- Strong emphasis on oncologic surgery, trauma, and acute care
- Robust simulation-based training to develop technical proficiency early
- Access to specialized training at UT Southwestern in pediatric and transplant surgery
- Opportunities for elective rotations tailored to resident interests in the PGY-4 year