Overview / Course Design:
The primary goal of this elective is to familiarize the student with general concepts of Ophthalmology, and how to conduct a basic eye examination. Aspects of Ophthalmology that are pertinent to the practice of Internal Medicine, Neurology, Family Practice, and other primary care specialties will also be taught. Emphasis is placed on the ocular exam and findings related to common eye pathology such as cataracts, glaucoma, macular degeneration, diabetic retinopathy, and conjunctivitis. Some exposure to more unusual cases to ophthalmology as a subspecialty will be obtained in clinics. Didactic sessions with attending faculty, patient care with fellows in the clinics and coordinated self-teaching make up the majority of the elective. Students will also have the ability to go to the OR to observe ophthalmic surgery. Opportunity to assist faculty in write-up of case reports will also be available for the students considering ophthalmology as a career goal.

Goals / Objectives:
Students will be exposed to and participate in the care of patients with eye disorders.

Location:
Bascom Palmer Eye Institute at Palm Beach Gardens

Participating Faculty:
Students will be exposed to a variety of faculty members and fellows during their rotation

Prerequisite:
Email to the course coordinator

Expectations:
Students are expected to attend clinics and observe ophthalmic operations in the OR.

Student Evaluation and Grading:
Students will be evaluated (pass/fail) by their attendance and participation in the clinical setting.

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