

INTERNATIONAL EXPERIENCE

Residents will be offered a 2-week international experience during PGY4 if they prepare an educational objectives statement for the international experience and meet the criteria below for a resident in good standing. The experience could include a trip with one of our alumni or one that is set up by the resident. A stipend of \$2,000 and time off without vacation will be provided by the Department. The Educational Objectives Statement will describe his/her goals for the trip and past experience that has familiarized him/her with international work. A comment about how this experience will shape his/her practice in the future will also be included. (This statement will be provided to the hosting alumnus or institution so that the resident's experience can be tailored accordingly.) The resident will prepare a vacation/time off request form and have it signed by the service director (from the rotation they will be missing for the experience) and the program director. The program director will confirm that the resident is in good standing and, in general, meets the following criteria:

- **Research:** The resident's research mentor will provide a statement that his/her research project is progressing well and will be completed by graduation.
- **Morning Rounds:** The resident should have presented at least 8 times each year on average.
- **Clinical Performance:** The resident must have excellent clinical performance based on their faculty and 360 degree rotation evaluations.
- **EyeRounds:** The resident should have completed at least 2 of the 3 required EyeRounds cases.
- **OKAP score:** The resident must have scored, at a minimum, a standard deviation above the national mean in the composite score or in the 65th percentile on their composite score when compared to their peers.