# UCLA HOSPITAL CENTER
# FOR THE HEALTH SCIENCES

**Description:** Fully approved training in both anatomic and clinical pathology is offered for residents, interns and fellows. The training is provided in all general and surgical pathology specialties, including cytology, fine needle aspiration, immunopathology, electron microscopy, neuropathology, gastrointestinal, and oral pathology. The forensic pathology requirement is fulfilled at the Los Angeles County Coroner's Office. The clinical laboratory program includes all subspecialties including molecular pathology and computer adaptations. Research opportunities are numerous, including molecular pathology, neuropathology, ophthalmic pathology, cancer cell biology, infectious disease, and immunology. The department also offers graduate education leading to a PhD in cellular and molecular pathology.

**Requirements:** All applicants must apply through the on-line ERAS application on the following website: www.nrmp.org
Follow the ERAS application process.
US and Canadian graduates must have graduated from an accredited medical school. Graduate must have passed Step 1 of the USMLE, and have passed or in the process of taking Step 2 of USMLE.
Foreign Medical Graduates must include their PTAL and ECFMG certificate with their ERAS application for residency.

**Types and Numbers of Appointments:** The department presently supports 20 PGY1-4 residency positions, two fellowships each in neuropathology, cytopathology, GI pathology, hematopathology, and three fellowships in dermatopathology. One fellowship position per year is available in ophthalmic pathology, clinical microbiology, cardio/pulmonary, molecular pathology, and transfusion medicine. Between three and five surgical pathology fellowships are available each year. We also offer post-sophomore/post-junior fellowships to students currently enrolled in accredited U.S. or Canadian medical schools.

**Facilities:** The UCLA Hospital has been consistently rated among the five best hospitals in patient care in the nation. It is a part of the Center for the Health Sciences of the University of California, Los Angeles. The Center includes the David Geffen School of Medicine, the School of Dentistry, the School of Public Health, the Jonsson Comprehensive Cancer Center, and UCLA Santa Monica Hospital. The hospital has 669 licensed beds. The approximate number of examinations annually is: clinical laboratory, 3,414,275; surgical, 30,000; cytology, 32,000 and autopsy, 200. The computer division is adjacent to the clinical laboratories. The Center is on the UCLA general campus, providing access to the main university library of approximately 3 million volumes. The Biomedical Library, which is located contiguous to the Pathology Department, contains more than 263,000 volumes and subscribes to more than 6,500 journals. A new, state-of-the-art hospital and medical center is currently under construction on a separate site on the campus. This new hospital is designed by the world-renowned architectural firm of I.M. Pei, and construction is nearing completion.

**Community:** The UCLA Hospital and campus are situated on the western edge of the City of Los Angeles, adjacent to the City of Santa Monica which is on the Pacific Coast. Cultural and recreational facilities are numerous, including a wide variety on the campus itself. A broad spectrum of living accommodations is to be found within a radius of a few miles of the hospital. University-owned or sponsored housing is available at competitive prices.

**Stipends:** Stipends: PGY-1 thru PGY-4 Residents $49,291 to $55,208; chief resident approximately $55,808 to $58,235 (depending on year of training), including full hospitalization and medical care, as well as meal allowance, uniforms and laundry. Living quarters are not available within the Center and must be arranged for by the residents.

**Applications:** PGY-1 candidates and above must be graduates of approved medical schools in the U.S. or Canada. Graduates of foreign medical schools must have received an eligibility letter from the California Medical Board prior to applying. Satisfactory references are required. Applicants participating in the National Resident Matching Program can submit their application beginning August 15th through November 30th. (Please refer to the NRMP website for application/registration fees[www.nrmp.org]). The interview process begins in October and goes through January. Residency training applications are accepted through the ERAS system only (www.nrmp.org) or (www.aamc.org ). Receipt of the applicant's Dean's Letter is not required for the interview. Chief Resident/Surgical Pathology Fellowship applications should be received by February 1 for the chief residency that begins in the following year on July 1. Annetta Pierro, Education Coordinator, David Geffen School of Medicine, UCLA, Pathology & Laboratory Medicine, 10833 Le Conte Ave, Room: 13-145G CHS, Los Angeles, CA 90025
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