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Family Planning Fellowship

Mitchell Creinin, M.D (<https://www.ucdmc.ucdavis.edu/publish/facultybio/obgyn/faculty/1563>), Director

Family Planning fellowship: completed in 1993 at the University of California, San Francisco

Family Planning fellowship director: 1994-2011 at the University of Pittsburgh

Melody Hou, M.D., M.P.H (<https://www.ucdmc.ucdavis.edu/publish/facultybio/obgyn/faculty/1627>),
Associate Director

Family Planning fellowship: completed in 2009 at Harvard University, Brigham and Women's Hospital

Catherine Cansino, M.D., M.P.H (<https://www.ucdmc.ucdavis.edu/publish/providerbio/obgyn/11651>).

Family Planning fellowship: completed in 2008 at Johns Hopkins University

Melissa Chen, M.D., M.P.H. (https://physicians.ucdavis.edu/details/21965/melissa-chen-family_planning-gynecology-sacramento?LastName=chen)

Family Planning fellowship: completed in 2016 at University of California, Davis

Juliana Melo, M.D., M.S.C.S (<https://www.ucdmc.ucdavis.edu/publish/providerbio/obgyn/21785>).

Family Planning fellowship: completed in 2014 at University of Colorado

Natasha Schimmoeller, M.D., M.P.H., M.A. (/obgyn/team/FP_Fellows.html)

Second Year Fellow (Residency: Boston University)

Melissa Matulich, M.D. (/obgyn/team/FP_Fellows.html)

First Year Fellow (Residency: Northwestern University)

Curriculum

The two-year fellowship is designed to include training in family planning clinical care, participation in the design and performance of clinical research, and international field work. During the two years, the fellow will complete course work at UC Davis to satisfy the degree requirements of a Master of Advanced Study in Clinical Research or a Master of Public Health.

For more information about the MPH, please visit: <http://mph.ucdavis.edu/> (<http://mph.ucdavis.edu/>)

For more information about the MAS, please visit :

<https://www.ucdmc.ucdavis.edu/ctsc/area/education/ClinicalResearchGraduateGroup/crgg.html>

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Family Planning Clinical Care

The fellow will be specially trained in contraceptive counseling, implant insertion and difficult removal, IUD insertion and removal, and female sterilization. The fellow will gain expertise in providing contraceptive counseling to women with complicated medical conditions and will serve as a consultant to primary care physicians and general obstetrician/gynecologists under the supervision of the UC Davis Family Planning Faculty. The fellow will receive specialized training and become very experienced in performing first trimester abortion procedures including manual and electric vacuum aspiration and medical abortions. In addition, the fellow will have similar experience with second trimester abortions by dilation and evacuation (D&E).

Research



The Center for Family Planning Research at UC Davis was established in 2011 under the leadership of Dr. Mitchell Creinin, Professor and Director of Family Planning. Dr. Creinin was previously the Director of the Center for Family Planning Research at University of Pittsburgh which he established in 1994 and grew to become one of the leading family planning research centers in the United States. The Center for Family Planning Research has active funding through the NIH, foundations and industry. The fellow will be an active participant in ongoing trials as well as be expected to design and conduct his/her own research trial. The researchers in the Center also have important relationships with stem cell researchers in the Department of Surgery, working on in utero cures for developmental and medical problems.

UC Davis is home of the country's largest stem cell research facility, the UC Davis Institute for Regenerative Cures, with world renowned reproductive stem cell biologists. Other important collaborative opportunities at UC Davis include the University of California, Davis School of Veterinary Medicine and the California National Primate Research Center. The fellow will also gain experience in grant writing, budgeting, contracts, and other administrative aspects of clinical research.

International Experience

All fellows will be required to participate in an international family planning experience. International placements will last between one and three months. These placements will be an opportunity for the fellow to learn about family planning, abortion and reproductive health in contexts outside of the United States. This experience will be fully funded by the fellowship and the amount of time required will be negotiated.

Graduate Degree

Unless the fellow already has a Master's degree prior to starting fellowship, all fellows will be expected to obtain a Master of Advanced Study in Clinical Research or Master of Public Health degree at UC Davis during their Fellowship. The costs for tuition, fees and books are fully covered by the fellowship.

Application

Interviews are typically held in September of each year. Interested candidates should submit an application on-line through the Family Planning Fellowship website (<http://www.familyplanningfellowship.org>).

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