**GR Medical Center:** students assigned here will spend 2 weeks on inpatient unit (adult/geriatric or child/adolescent), one week in psychiatry consult-liaison and one week in the emergency room.

**Adult/Geriatric Psychiatry Inpatient Unit**
MCG Hospital & Clinics - 3S  
1120 15th Street  
Augusta, Georgia 30912  
Phone: 706-721-2477

**Schedule:** Monday-Friday, 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

**Attendings:**
Scott Van Sant, MD - Pgr. 1373, svansant@gru.edu  
M.J. Albright, MD - Pgr. 5929, malbright@gru.edu

**Goals:**
Students will become proficient in interviewing psychiatric patients. Students will become familiar with DSM 5 diagnostic criteria. It is expected that students will acquire psychopharmacology knowledge and basic knowledge of psychotherapy.

**Expectations:**
The student will be available from 8AM until 5 PM daily except for their scheduled classroom activities. If other activities are required of the student, the schedule should be made known to the attending at the beginning of the rotation. Inpatient rounds are made in the morning. The student will carry up to three inpatients. Outpatients are scheduled in the afternoon.

**Learning activities:**
Students will read about the following:
- DSM IV Based Diagnosis
- Psychopharmacology
  - Antipsychotic drugs
  - Antidepressants
  - Mood stabilizers

**Psychiatry Journal Club and Case Conference** are held on the second and fourth Thursday respectively of each month from 11:30 - 1:00 p.m. Lunch is provided and students are encouraged to participate.

**Evaluation methods:**
Students will work directly with attending psychiatrists and residents who will observe them interviewing patients and will ask them to formulate diagnoses and treatment options for the patients seen. This process will take place on an on-going basis.

**Child/Adolescent Psychiatry Inpatient Unit**
MCG Hospital & Clinics - 9N  
1120 15th Street  
Augusta, Georgia 30912
Phone: 706-721-2275

Schedule: Monday-Friday, 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Attendings:
Donna Londino, MD -Pgr. 8327, dlondino@gru.edu
Eric Lewkowiez, MD- Pgr. 8783, elewkowiez@gru.edu
Dale Peeples, MD- Pgr. 5923, dpeeples@gru.edu
Lisa Sheehan, MD -Pgr. 5924, lsheehan@gru.edu
Miranda Harris, MD -Pgr. 1062, mirharris@gru.edu
Sandra Sexson, MD-Pgr. 8887, ssexson@gru.edu

MCG Child and Adolescent Inpatient Unit provides students an opportunity to participate primarily with a multidisciplinary team offering inpatient care to both children and adolescents under the age of eighteen who present with mental health needs. Four students are currently assigned to the unit which is often full at a capacity of fourteen. The student works primarily with experienced fourth year psychiatric residents completing their first year of child sub-specialty training. Average length of stay is five to six days and the predominant focus of treatment is acute stabilization and consultative evaluation. The student can expect to see a full range of psychiatric symptoms, understand psychiatric diagnosis seen in the paediatric population, as well as observe/evaluate and treat disturbances in a child's psychological functioning and social support. Psychiatric diagnosis seen in children and adolescents include ADHD, oppositional defiant disorder, conduct disorder, eating disorder, autism, depression, anxiety, and childhood psychotic disorders. The focus is on evaluation including interviews with patient and parents individually and with the family as a unit, psychological testing as indicated, educational and occupational assessments, and nursing evaluations. The ward maintains a structured milieu using a level system, redirection, and other behavioral interventions individually determined. Collaborative work with the educational system, departments of child welfare, and referring physicians offer the student opportunity to experience first-hand the benefit of a multidisciplinary approach in the treatment of children and adolescents. Frequent consultation with pediatric neurology, genetics, and pediatrics offer exposure to these subspecialties. Rounds are held each morning and are attended by the various disciplines of the multidisciplinary team.

Consult/Liaison Psychiatry
MCG Hospital & Clinics - 3S
1120 15th Street
Augusta, Georgia 30912
Phone: 706-721-2477

Schedule: Monday-Friday - 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Attending:
Vanessa Spearman, MD -Pgr. 1073, espearman@gru.edu

The Consultation/Liaison Inpatient Psychiatry Unit is a service that provides psychiatric consultation to all medical and surgical services at MCG Hospital. It also provides emergency psychiatric consultation to the Ambulatory Care Clinics at MCG. During this rotation, students will learn how to do psychiatric evaluations and recommend treatment options for patients who are experiencing psychiatric symptoms while undergoing medical or surgical treatment. Examples include: Suicidal patients in the medical
intensive care unit; pain management for patients in sickle cell crisis or other pain problems on med/surgery services; pseudoseizures in patients with epilepsy; depression, anger, psychosis in patients with med/surgery problems; delirium and dementia; difficult management problems due to noncompliance, wanting to leave AMA, agitation, combativeness, and other issues.

Student will quickly assume the role of consultant; assessing patients, presenting patients to the consult team, formulating a differential diagnosis, and recommending a treatment plan. They will also follow their patients while they are in the hospital. Students will work with Psychiatry residents, Family Medicine residents and with the Faculty Attending who makes daily rounds with the residents and students. This rotation exposes the students to most psychiatric problems and further gives them the opportunity to see the psychiatry-medicine interface first hand.

**GR Medical Center Emergency Room**

*Attending:*
Nancy Harpold, DO- Pgr. 6845, nharpold@gru.edu

**MCG Outpatient Psychiatry Clinic**

997 St. Sebastian Way  
Augusta, Georgia 30912  
Phone: 706-721-3141

*Schedule*: varies  
*Attendings*: Peter Buckley, MD, Adriana Foster, MD, Brian Miller, MD, Eric Lewkowiez, MD, Lisa Sheehan, MD, Christian Lemmon, PhD, Bernard Davidson, PhD; child psychiatry fellows.

The MCG Outpatient Psychiatry Clinic treats a wide variety of patients from various ethnic, cultural and socioeconomic groups. In addition to treatment by psychiatrist, patients have access to social worker, nurse, psychologist and an array of services including individual and group therapy and outpatient medication management.

*Outpatient Experience:*

**Augusta State Medical Prison (ASMP)**

3001 Gordon Highway  
Grovetown, GA 30813  
Phone: 706-855-4700

*Schedule*: Wednesday, 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

*Attending:*
Niranjini Reddy, MBBS- 706-855-4883, nreddy@gru.edu  
Nitin Shendarkar, MD, nshendarkar@gru.edu  
Nancy Harpold, DO-Pgr. 6845, nharpold@gru.edu

The Augusta State Medical Prison (ASMP) is an emergency receiving facility and public state hospital for medically and psychiatrically ill prisoners. It serves a large portion of Augusta and the surrounding counties. A wide array of psychiatric disorders are represented including mood and anxiety disorders, substance abuse, personality disorders, and somatoform disorders. Forensic issues and evaluation of
malingering are important foci of training in this setting. The student will participate in new patient evaluations and follow-up of outpatients.

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**East Central Regional Hospital**

3405 Mike Padgett Hwy  
Augusta, GA 30906  
Phone: 706-792-7021

*Schedule:* Monday-Friday, 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

*Attendings:*
Ishrat Bhat, MD, [ibhat@dhr.state.ga.us](mailto:ibhat@dhr.state.ga.us)  
Joseph McEvoy, MD, [jpmcevoy@dhr.state.ga.us](mailto:jpmcevoy@dhr.state.ga.us)

East Central Regional Hospital is a multi-service facility, which is part of the state mental health system. Junior Medical Students rotate on the Adult Mental Health I Unit, which serves to evaluate, diagnose, and treat adult psychiatric patients. The clinical experience includes performing history and physicals and mental status exams on admission, participating in treatment teams and following patients daily throughout the hospital stay (approximately five patients per student). Varieties of diagnoses are encountered, including Schizophrenia, Bipolar Disorder, Major Depression, Mental Retardation and Substance Abuse. The student becomes an active member of the treatment team.

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**Eisenhower Army Medical Center**

300 Hospital Road  
Ft. Gordon, Georgia 30905  
Phone: 706-787-5811

*Schedule:* Monday-Friday, 7:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

*Attendings:*
Christopher E. Hines, MD, [christopher.e.hines@us.army.mil](mailto:christopher.e.hines@us.army.mil) - Lead Preceptor  
Linda Y. Evans, MD, [linda.y.evans@us.army.mil](mailto:linda.y.evans@us.army.mil)  
Scott Mooney, Ph.D. [scott.r.mooney@us.army.mil](mailto:scott.r.mooney@us.army.mil)  
Col. Philip Horton, MD, [Philip.horton@us.army.mil](mailto:Philip.horton@us.army.mil)

The Eisenhower Army Medical Center will include the medical student as an integral part of an Army hospital psychiatry inpatient team on 13-East, an adult inpatient psychiatric unit offering an interdisciplinary approach to soldier care. A significant component of Consult Liaison Psychiatry will be afforded to the rotating student. In addition, an outpatient psychiatry component will be offered, which will include psychiatry walk-in/triage clinic, substance abuse rehabilitation treatment and psychiatry outpatient office-based care. It is expected that during the rotation, the students will have the opportunity to observe neuropsychological evaluations.

Behavioral Health Grand Rounds are held each Friday morning at 8:00 a.m. Students will have the opportunity to participate in the monthly case conference presentations. While on the inpatient service, students will be expected to participate in morning report, held daily (location and time TBA).

*Evaluation methods:* Students will work directly with attending psychiatrists and psychologists who will observe them interviewing patients and will ask them to formulate diagnoses and treatment options for the patients seen. This process will take place on an on-going basis.
Veterans Affairs Medical Center
1 Freedom Way, Wrightsboro Road
Augusta, Georgia
Phone: 706-733-0188 Ext. 6219

Schedule: Monday-Friday, 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Attendings:
Ananda Pathiraja, MD, Ananda.Pathiraja@va.gov
Nagy Youssef, MD, Nagy.Youssef@va.gov
Denise Evans, MD, Denise.Evans@va.gov

The Uptown Division of the VAMC is located on Wrightsboro Road, has over 120 beds and serves as a network resource for the treatment of spinal cord injury, blind rehabilitation, post-traumatic stress disorder, and psychiatry patients. The medical center provides the student with both an inpatient and outpatient continuum of care experience. Patients are both male and female, ages 18 and over. They exhibit both acute and chronic mental illness, across the broad spectrum of cognitive, mood, anxiety, personality, and substance use disorders. Students benefit from the longer length of stay in hospital, compared to other acute care facilities, and the high level of exposure to attending psychiatrists, most of whom are fellowship trained in psychopharmacology. Night and/or weekend call is at MCG, in rotation with students assigned to the other clinical sites.

Highland Rivers Center
180 Water Oak Drive
Cedartown, GA 30125
Phone: 770-748-1662

Attending:
Nizamuddin Khaja, MD, drkhaja@highlandrivers.org

The residential treatment unit at Highland Rivers Center is one of three residential treatment facilities that provide short term crisis stabilization for adult mental health and addictive diseases detoxification. Highland Rivers Stabilization Units do not advertise for services. These units are licensed as Emergency Receiving Facilities and certified by the Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Disabilities and are CARF Accredited. Consumers are under the medical care of a physician with 24-hour RN care, and Case Managers assisting with aftercare planning and therapeutic services.

The medical student will be an integral part of the treatment team in each of these care settings. The rotation will accommodate one student who will rotate through inpatient and outpatient units.
The crisis stabilization unit at Highland Rivers Center is one of three residential treatment facilities that provide short term crisis stabilization for adult mental health and addictive diseases detoxification. Highland Rivers Stabilization Units do not advertise for services. These units are licensed as Emergency Receiving Facilities and certified by the Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Disabilities and are CARF Accredited. Consumers are under the medical care of a physician with 24-hour RN care, and Case Managers assisting with aftercare planning and therapeutic services.

The medical student will be an integral part of the treatment team in each of these care settings. The rotation will accommodate one student who will rotate through inpatient and outpatient units.

**Psychiatric Medicine, PC**
4849 Paulsen Street, #201
Savannah, GA 31405
Phone: 912-354-8108

*Attendings:*
Michael C. Mobley, MD, mcmobley@aol.com - Lead Preceptor
D. Ray Gaskin, Jr., MD, gaskinjrr@aol.com

Psychiatric Medicine, PC is a busy outpatient psychiatric practice treating adult, adolescent and geriatric patients. Medical students will participate in new patient evaluations and follow up visits for psychopharmacological management and psychotherapy. Part of the rotation will be spent in the substance abuse clinic with Ray Gaskin, MD, an addiction medicine specialist. Dr. Gaskin's office address is 315 Commercial Drive, Suite B3, Savannah, GA 31406.

**Valdosta Psychiatric Associates, PC and Behavioral Health System of South Georgia**
3541 Northcrossing Circle
Valdosta, GA 31602
Phone: 229-244-4200

*Attendings:*
Joe Morgan, MD, 2444200@bellsouth.net
Nitin Patel, MD npateldr@gmail.com
Jaymal Patel, MD jpatel@bhsga.com

Students participating in this clinical rotation will experience a mix of outpatient and consultation-liaison psychiatry. They will be actively involved in the treatment of child, adult and geriatric patients.
Outpatient experience will take place at Valdosta Psychiatric Associates, a private psychiatric office, as well as Behavioral Health Center of South Georgia. Students should have an experience in treating all aspects of psychiatric illness and severity including childhood disorders and substance use disorders.

Students participating in this clinical rotation will experience a mix of inpatient and outpatient treatment. They will be actively involved in the treatment of child, adult and geriatric patients. Valdosta Psychiatric Associates is a private psychiatric office. Students should have an experience in treating all aspects of psychiatric illness and severity including childhood disorders and substance use disorders.

**St Simons by the Sea**
2927 Old Demere Rd  
St Simons Island, GA 31522  
Phone 912-638-1999

Attendings:  
Miguel Martelli, MD, mjmartelli@msn.com  
Bryce McLaulim, MD  
Robert Holland, MD

St Simons by the Sea is a private inpatient facility which serves adult, geriatric and adolescent population offering mental health and substance use disorder evaluation and treatment. The hospital’s comfortable, supportive environment helps put patients at ease and it is an ideal environment for clinical training in psychiatry for junior medical students who can rotate through various care settings in the hospital. 
Saint Simons By-The-Sea’s staff has extensive experience in the fields of addiction treatment, recovery, relapse prevention and mental health treatment.

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**Phoebe Behavioural Health**
500 Third Ave, Suite 105  
Albany, GA 31702

*Attending:*  
Angela Dawson, MD, akdawson@ppmh.org

Phoebe Behavioural provides inpatient and outpatient mental health services for adults, geriatric patients, children and adolescents in Albany, GA. Phoebe Behavioral Health Center offers the student the opportunity to interact with adult and geriatric patients with psychiatric disorders in inpatient, outpatient and consult liaison settings, while children and adolescents are served on outpatient basis and in consultation liaison. The students will participate on the evaluation and pharmacological and psychotherapy treatment in individual and group settings.

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**Floyd Behavioral Health Center**
306 Shorter Avenue  
Rome, GA 30165  
Telephone: 706-509-3500

*Attending:*  
Smita Varshney, MD, svarshney@floyd.org
Floyd Behavioral Health Center is a private acute care psychiatric unit that provides outpatient and inpatient treatment to adults in Rome, GA.