Medical College of Georgia
Academic Affairs

Emergencies Arising During Off-Campus Electives
Policy

The following policy covers all students who are participating in off-campus electives, both inside and outside of the United States, no matter whether the elective is at an LCME accredited medical school or not.

Prior to leaving for the elective the student should:
- Provide the Curriculum Office with a contact number for the student during the elective.
- Provide the Curriculum Office with an emergency contact phone number in the event that the student is not reachable.
- Review the availability of Emergency Medical Services, Hospitals, and Public Health Officials in the location where the student will be during the rotation.
- For international trips, the student should review the Study Abroad Office Emergency Procedures as well as comply with all Study Abroad Policies including registration with the US Department of State.

During the trip when an Emergency Arises:

For trips outside the United States, follow the Study Abroad Office Emergency Procedures.

For trips inside the United States:

Medical Emergency, Injury, or Illness:
- For emergencies, dial 911 immediately or go immediately to the Emergency Department in the hospital of the rotation.
- Whenever possible, contact or have a representative contact the MCG Curriculum Office (curriculum@augusta.edu or 706.721.3217).
- In the event the injury is related to patient care, make sure to follow the procedures of the medical facility.
Natural or Man-made Disaster:
- If you are injured or ill, call 911 or seek care at the nearest medical facility.
- If necessary, seek shelter in a safe location, being sure to follow the direction of any local authorities.
- Whenever possible, contact or have a representative contact the MCG Curriculum Office (curriculum@augusta.edu or 706.721.3217)

Crime:
- If you are injured or ill, call 911 or seek care at the nearest medical facility.
- Report the crime to local law enforcement.
- Whenever possible, contact or have a representative contact the MCG Curriculum Office (curriculum@augusta.edu or 706.721.3217).