

# UCSF Fresno Department of Surgery

Established in 1956, our five-year ACGME-accredited Surgery Residency Program provides outstanding, broad-based, clinical general surgery education. From day one until completion of the program, residents have a wealth of one-on-one faculty mentoring and opportunities in diverse clinical settings. Residents obtain tremendous hands-on experience providing care to patients from pediatric through geriatric age groups.

Training takes place primarily at Community Regional Medical Center (CRMC) and Fresno Heart & Surgical Hospital with experiences at several outpatient offices, procedural centers and affiliated University Centers of Excellence. CRMC is the area's only Level I trauma center and burn center with a catchment area population of over one million. There are robust experiences in trauma, critical care, burns and emergency general surgery. In addition, residents receive extensive experience in elective surgery, including oncology, gastrointestinal (GI), biliary, breast, colorectal, thoracic, vascular, endocrine, minimally invasive and pediatric surgery.

Residents also have exposure to orthopaedics, urology, plastic surgery, ENT, neurosurgery, cardiothoracic and transplant surgery.

Five chief residents graduate per year who are able to function as solo practitioners of surgery at the high level of performance expected of board-certified specialists. Each year, residents are successfully matched into competitive fellowships if they choose the path of sub-specialization.

Clinical research opportunities are available and required. Simulation in robotics/laparoscopy/endoscopy and critical care.

Residents become certified in Fundamentals of Laparoscopic Surgery and Fundamentals of Endoscopic Surgery.

## FACTS AND FEATURES

- Training takes place primarily at CRMC and a variety of additional sites
- Early hands-on OR experience
- Significant one-on-one faculty interaction and mentoring
- Wealth of clinical opportunities, including high volume, high acuity and unique pathology
- Excellent clinical research opportunities with dedicated support staff to facilitate research projects
- Robust Clinical Skills Lab
- Opportunities to attend local and national meetings



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