



Department of Family Medicine

PRIME-LC Residency Track

Program in Medical Education for Latino Communities (PRIME-LC) Expands to Residency Level Training

In July 2010, the UC Irvine Family Medicine Residency Program began a special PRIME-LC track within the residency at the UC Irvine Family Health Center in Santa Ana. The track recruits like-minded, service-oriented applicants with a passion for serving marginalized communities, and creating leaders from within the communities they serve.

Continuing the original vision of the nationally recognized PRIME-LC program started at the UC Irvine School of Medicine, the mission of this training track is to train highly skilled, linguistically and culturally fluent family physicians who will become leaders in addressing healthcare disparities of underserved Latino and other minority communities of California.

Through a variety of innovative curricular experiences integrated throughout the three years of residency, family physicians graduating from this training track will have a unique and specific set of knowledge and skills that will make them highly desirable candidates for positions of leadership at community health centers, public health departments, academic faculty positions, or careers involving work in healthcare policy and advocacy.



Objectives

- Advanced Spanish language and cultural fluency
- Community engagement
- Leadership skills development
- Innovative models of medical care and practice
- Junior faculty development: teaching and mentoring
- Rural, migrant and global health
- Community research project eligible for journal submissions or poster presentation
- Elective time and longitudinal experiences

Frequently Asked Questions

Is this a separate residency program from the current UC Irvine Family Medicine Residency? Will I still do the same rotations as the other residents?

This is not a different or separate, free standing program. Residents of this track still participate in and benefit from all the current required family medicine rotations along with the other residents to obtain a good core education in family medicine. The unique curricular elements of the track are made available through a combination of using some block combination of using some block elective time and longitudinal experiences.

Would I be a good candidate for this program? Is this only open to PRIME-LC medical students or can any medical student apply? Who are you looking for?

While the program encourages PRIME-LC students to consider this residency, it's certainly not restricted to them. We welcome applications from any qualified medical student. Obviously, given the goal and mission of the program, we would like to see some demonstration of previous commitment to and experience working.

To Apply

Please identify yourself through the ERAS application, and your goals for this opportunity will be discussed during your interview. You can also contact Dr. Emily Dow, interim director of PRIME Residency Track, at edow@uci.edu

For more information, please call 714-456-5171.

