

Faculty In Charge Of Course:	Ronald P. Rapini, M.D.
Participating Faculty:	Various dermatology faculty in clinic
Location:	Houston Medical Center (HMC Building, 6655 Travis St. Suite 980
Offered:	Each month
Max. # Students/Period:	2

Course Objective

Material Covered: The student will examine skin biopsies using the multiheaded microscope along with the attending for 3 hours every afternoon. Mornings typically will be spent in clinic seeing general dermatology patients, for clinical-pathologic correlation. Total is 35-40 hours per week.

Skills Acquired: Diagnostic skills in the evaluation of skin biopsies, and in the assessment of patients with skin disorder

Activities Of Elective

Number Of New Patients/Student/Week: Biopsies 280 per week. Patients 50 per week.

Responsibilities Of Student For Assigned Patients:

Does history/physical:	No
Follows patients, with appropriate notes as needed:	No
Does student see ambulatory patients:	Yes

Procedures	Observe	Perform
Skin biopsy, KOH prep		Yes

Scheduled Duties of Student:

Weekly schedule of required teaching sessions	Teaching conferences at HMC, Baylor, and MD Anderson at 8:00 am each morning per on-line schedule at calendar.yahoo.com/houstermresident

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Other Required Activities:

Reading/review of current literature	No
Writing or presenting a paper	No

How Is Student Evaluated:

Socratic discussion at the microscope and in clinic

Who Evaluates Students:

Ronald Rapini M.D. and other dermatology faculty in the clinic

Unique Features Of This Elective:

Clinical-pathologic correlation is stressed