

Department of Anesthesiology and Perioperative Medicine

Residency and Fellowship Programs

2026-2027



UAB MEDICINE

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From the Department Chair

Anesthesiology is being rewritten. Workforce shortages, new models of care, and the arrival of artificial intelligence at the bedside mean the specialty you will practice will not be the one described in today's textbooks. That is not a warning. It's one of the best reasons to enter the field and train here at UAB.

Our department is built around one governing idea: AI↔IA, representing artificial intelligence (AI) and Infinite Anesthesia (IA). These are not competing priorities, but a loop. AI provides precision, prediction, and the capacity to see risk before it becomes harm. Infinite Anesthesia, our just cause, gives that technology a conscience through trust, teaming, and humility. AI expands what we can do. IA governs who we are while we do it.



That philosophy shapes how we teach. Exceptional clinical competence is our baseline; your potential extends far beyond it. We train for what the next 30 years will demand: fluency with AI and clinical decision support, comfort with data science, the ability to lead interprofessional teams across the perioperative continuum, and the judgment to recognize what should never be automated. Our AI↔IA curriculum track is open to every resident and fellow. You will not simply learn these ideas here; you will help shape what comes next.

We come by this honestly. Dr. Alice McNeal, Alabama's first female anesthesiologist, founded this department in 1948, and more than 800 physicians have trained here since. Today we are a top 10 NIH-funded department, delivering more than 234,000 anesthetics per year across 227 sites of care. Pioneering is not a slogan we adopted. It's a legacy we are privileged to pass to you.

The infinite game has no finish line, only a cause worth serving. We are not preparing you for anesthesiology as it is today. We are preparing you to lead the specialty that is coming. If that is the physician you aspire to become, we should meet.

Dan E. Berkowitz, M.D.
Alfred Habeeb Professor and Chair

To learn more about the concept of Infinite Anesthesia, visit go.uab.edu/infiniteanesthesia.

RESIDENCY MISSION

The primary training goal is to prepare all graduates to be excellent clinicians ready to enter any anesthesiology practice. These clinicians should be competent in all environments and able to provide high quality care to all patients. Graduates will also function as members of the health care team being able to both effectively lead and follow. All graduates will be facile in quality improvement, high value care, and patient safety methodology. Residents will be prepared to be leaders in academic institutions, private medical practice, in hospital administration, and the community at large.

From the Residency Program Director

As Program Director, I view my responsibility as developing exceptional anesthesiologists who are prepared not only for the practice environment of today, but also for the specialty that will emerge in the decades ahead. Beyond clinical excellence, this means fostering the judgment, leadership, and spirit of service necessary to thrive in a rapidly evolving healthcare environment.

Our residency program offers exceptional breadth and depth of training. As home to one of the largest hospitals in the nation and Alabama's only ACS Level I Trauma Center, residents gain extensive experience caring for complex patients while learning in a collaborative environment grounded in mentorship, wellness, and professional growth.



We are deeply committed to helping each resident reach their greatest potential. Through individualized mentorship and educational opportunities, residents explore interests in education, research, quality improvement, patient safety, and data science while developing into future leaders in anesthesiology.

As anesthesiology evolves through advances in technology, perioperative medicine, and healthcare delivery, our goal is to graduate physicians who are prepared not only to adapt to change, but to help shape it.

As a graduate of our program, I am honored to serve as Program Director, leveraging the talents and resources of an incredible team and institution in support of our residents as they discover and develop their passions. Together with our faculty, I am committed to ensuring that every resident graduates prepared to excel as a clinician, leader, educator, and lifelong learner.

I hope you will find our program culture a welcoming extension of family and a supportive home for your personal and professional growth. We hope this brochure provides helpful insight into our program and inspires you to explore it further. Thank you for considering the UAB Anesthesiology Residency Program.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "J. Blake Norman".

J. Blake Norman, M.D., CMQ
Program Director, Anesthesiology Residency Program

PROGRAM AIMS

1. The primary training goal is to prepare program graduates to be excellent clinicians ready to enter any anesthesiology practice or fellowship upon graduation.
2. The program will foster effective communication, leadership, and multidisciplinary teamwork consistent with a consultant anesthesiologist emphasizing holistic patient care.
3. In alignment with the department and the institution, the program aims to create a clinical learning environment that promotes collaboration, physical and mental well-being, and resilience.
4. Upon graduation, all residents should feel confident assuming roles as leaders within the field as well as the broader medical community by offering mentored educational and experiential learning opportunities beyond our core curriculum.

Residency Program Education Leadership



Blake Norman, M.D., CMQ
Program Director



Emily Wasson, M.D., MPH
Associate Program Director



Robin Bush, M.D.
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Tekuila Carter, M.D., ME.d.
Assistant Program Director



Andrew Hackney, M.D., MPH
Assistant Program Director



Annalese Neuenschwander, M.D.
Assistant Program Director



John Briggs, M.D., MSHA
Director, Continuous Quality
Improvement Conference



Brittney Clark, M.D.
Simulation Program Director



Andrea Hammett, R.N.
Simulation Program
Associate Director



Harold Goss, Ed.D., MLS
Director of Education

"At UAB, we are committed to providing an exceptional educational experience. Our faculty and staff are accessible, engaged, and invested in your success, supporting you through every aspect of your training—from didactic and clinical education to professional growth and career development. When you join UAB, you're not simply advancing your training—you're becoming part of a community that builds meaningful relationships and prepares you for a successful future."



Drs. Prentiss Lawson and Alethia Sellers teach block techniques in the UAB Pain Treatment Clinic.

Residency Training Program

The UAB Anesthesiology Residency Program is a national leader in anesthesia education, combining broad clinical experience, a strong didactic program, and opportunities for leadership, research, and unique educational experiences. Each class consists of 21 residents. In a supportive clinical environment, residents develop progressive autonomy in a diverse, high-volume, high-acuity clinical practice.

Clinical Rotations

The residency program is divided into four basic educational periods:

CLINICAL BASE YEAR:

Residents gain experience in direct patient care allowing them broad exposure to patients in a variety of medical disciplines, including internal medicine, emergency medicine, critical care, anesthesiology, and a three-month perioperative medicine rotation.

CLINICAL ANESTHESIOLOGY YEAR 1:

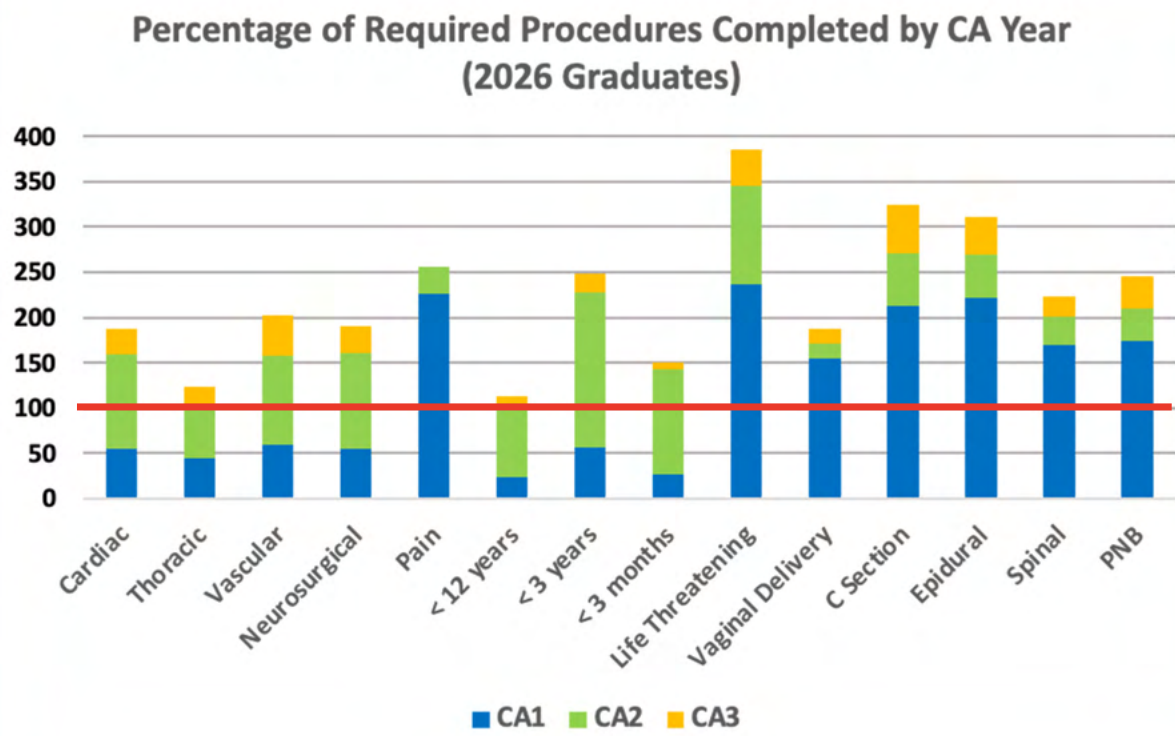
This year begins with a one-month orientation boot camp and continues with gradual experience in operative anesthesia to form a strong foundation in managing the delivery of anesthesia for surgical procedures.

CLINICAL ANESTHESIOLOGY YEAR 2:

Residents become familiar with the various anesthesia subspecialty areas improving their knowledge base to care for patients undergoing more complex cases in subspecialty areas.

CLINICAL ANESTHESIOLOGY YEAR 3:

This year is focused on gaining more complex clinical experience and expertise and in fine-tuning administrative, supervisory, and decision-making skills required in a variety of practice settings. Each resident is given the opportunity to customize a schedule to meet their individual needs and career goals.



A Message from the Chief Residents



John North, M.D., Taylor St. Martin, M.D., Tim Carter, M.D.

We're so glad you're taking a look at UAB for your anesthesiology training, and we're excited to tell you why we love it here.

UAB is the only Level I Trauma Center in Alabama and a major referral hub for the region. From high-risk OB and multi-trauma to solid organ transplants and complex neurosurgery, you'll get comfortable managing a range of pathology and rare disease processes. Our trauma service is a real highlight, providing hands-on, autonomous experience with airway management and intraoperative emergencies. We provide continuous OB experiences that foster longitudinal learning. We also design resident rotations that expand outside of the OR in areas such as the PACU as well as regional and inpatient pain services.

Our intern year includes six months with the internal medicine department, five months of anesthesia rotations, and one month in the ER. We believe this combination makes it the perfect mixture of the basics of medicine and dedicated time within the anesthesia department to start building core skills and confidence immediately.

As UAB residents, we feel valued for our time spent in the hospital. Our unique moonlighting opportunities provide us the ability to see a large number of pathologies in different settings and continue to practice and improve upon our anesthesia skills while earning additional income. Moonlighting is available in the general OR, liver transplant, cardiothoracic, neuro ICU, surgical ICU, and our critical care transport service.

However, the cases and clinical opportunities aren't what make this place truly special. It's the people! Our residents and faculty here feel like family, and that camaraderie shows up both inside and outside of the hospital. Faculty are approachable and love discussing clinical questions, career plans, research, and fellowship decisions. Mentorship here happens both formally and naturally. And when you need to catch your breath, our resident lounge is the perfect spot to recharge and hang out with co-residents!

We can't wait to get to know you. Thanks for considering UAB!

2026-2027 Chief Residents

Tim Carter, M.D.

John North, M.D.

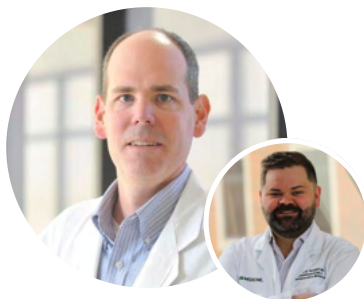
Taylor St. Martin, M.D.

Fellowship Program Directors



Brad Meers, M.D.
Adult Cardiothoracic
Anesthesia Fellowship

Jacob Mayfield, M.D.
Associate Program Director



David Miller, M.D.
Critical Care Medicine
Fellowship

Daniel Gouger, M.D.
Associate Program Director



Annalese Neuenschwander, M.D.
Obstetric Anesthesia
Fellowship



Prentiss Lawson, Jr., M.D.
Pain Medicine Fellowship



Jack Crawford, M.D., Ph.D.
Pediatric Anesthesia
Fellowship



Brittney Clark, M.D.
Liver Transplant
Anesthesia Fellowship



Matt Sherrer, M.D.
Perioperative Leadership
Fellowship



Asaf Gans, M.D.
Regional Anesthesia & Acute
Pain Medicine Fellowship



Brant Wagener, M.D., Ph.D.
Research Fellowship

Fellowships

Adult Cardiothoracic Anesthesia Fellowship

MISSION: The primary training goal is to prepare our graduates to be excellent clinicians, ready to enter and excel in any practice after graduation with a strong emphasis on TEE. Upon completion of the program, all graduates should be well-versed in quality improvement and patient safety methodology, prepared to be experts in cardiothoracic anesthesiology and serve as a resource for their medical communities.

NOTABLE ACHIEVEMENTS:

- All graduates have successfully passed the PTE exam and easily obtained the necessary number of exams required for board certification.
- All fellows have completed posters for presentation at the Society for Cardiovascular Anesthesiologists Annual Meeting.

CASE VOLUME:

- 2,500 adult cardiac procedures
- 1,000 adult thoracic cases
- 850 pediatric cardiac procedures

1 YEAR | 5 TRAINEES | ACGME ACCREDITED

Critical Care Medicine Fellowship

MISSION: The multidisciplinary Critical Care Fellowship at UAB aims to generate excellent clinicians ready to enter any critical care practice environment and manage a broad range of surgical and critically ill patient populations.

NOTABLE ACHIEVEMENTS:

- Graduates work in both private and academic practices across the U.S. with successful careers in clinical practice, leadership and operations, and scholarly work.
- Multispecialty boarded ACCM fellowship core faculty have remarkably broad-reaching critical care experience that spans cardiac and ECMO/MCS, medical, surgical, transplant, neuro, trauma, and community practice patient populations.

CLINICAL EXPERIENCE:

- Integrated learning experiences alongside fellows in neurocritical care, surgical critical care, and medical critical care.
- Exposure to the only Level I Trauma Center in Alabama, a comprehensive transplant center, comprehensive cancer center, burn center, major referral center for complex cardiac disorders and advanced mechanical circulatory support, and the state's first and leading comprehensive stroke center.

1-2 YEARS | 5 TRAINEES | ACGME ACCREDITED

Obstetric Anesthesia Fellowship

MISSION: The mission of the Obstetric Anesthesia Fellowship is to provide the training and resources needed for the fellow to excel in the areas of patient care, quality improvement, and research as it relates to obstetric anesthesiology.

NOTABLE ACHIEVEMENTS:

- All fellows complete research projects and present at the Society for Obstetric Anesthesiology and Perinatology Annual Meeting.
- Several recent graduates have assumed leadership positions in obstetric anesthesiology within academic anesthesiology departments.
- UAB is one of the original eight National Institute of Child Health and Human Development (NICHD) research sites in the country, involved in research initiatives for maternal, child, and family health.

CLINICAL EXPERIENCE:

- 4,500 deliveries annually
- Level IV RNICU (highest level possible and the only Level IV in Alabama)
- SOAP Center of Excellence

1 YEAR | 1 TRAINEE | ACGME ACCREDITED

Fellowships

Pain Medicine Fellowship

MISSION: The program prepares proficient pain medicine consultants who are skilled in both interventional and non-interventional pain management, provide high-quality, patient-centered care, collaborate effectively within multidisciplinary health care teams, and are prepared for independent practice in academic or private practice settings.

NOTABLE ACHIEVEMENTS:

- Multidisciplinary fellowship through collaboration with specialists in Physical Medicine & Rehabilitation, Neurology, Psychology, Palliative Care, Orthopedics, Neurosurgery, and Addiction Medicine.
- Comprehensive education in advanced interventional pain procedures, neuromodulation, and emerging pain therapies, complemented by exposure to integrative approaches such as acupuncture.
- Graduates consistently secure positions in both academic medicine and private practice across the United States, reflecting the program's commitment to preparing fellows for diverse career paths.

CLINICAL EXPERIENCE:

- Approximately 10,000 patient encounters annually
- Approximately 1,000 new patient evaluations annually
- Approximately 5,000 interventional pain procedures annually

1 YEAR | 4 TRAINEES | ACGME ACCREDITED

Pediatric Anesthesia Fellowship

MISSION: The primary goal is to prepare all graduates to be excellent clinicians, ready to enter any practice after graduation. All graduates should be able to serve as an expert resource for pediatric anesthesiology and be well-versed in quality improvement and patient safety methodology.

NOTABLE ACHIEVEMENTS:

- This program allows fellows to complete additional experiences, such as the highly competitive American Society of Anesthesiologists Policy Research Elective.
- All graduates are board certified and practicing pediatric anesthesiology in the location of their choice.

CLINICAL EXPERIENCE:

- 22,000 anesthetics and exposure to all subspecialties
- Rotations in critical care, cardiovascular anesthesiology, general pediatric cases, and pain medicine

1 YEAR | 1 TRAINEE | ACGME ACCREDITED

Liver Transplant Anesthesia Fellowship

MISSION: The goal of the fellowship is to provide our fellow with broad clinical experiences and research opportunities to develop expertise in the management of transplant patients throughout the perioperative period and serve as a leader on the transplant teams.

NOTABLE ACHIEVEMENTS:

- Living donor liver transplant program started in 2026.
- The fellowship is supported by a dedicated team of five attending anesthesiologists and nine transplant surgeons who partner in the perioperative management of transplant patients.

CLINICAL EXPERIENCE:

- Approximately 150 liver transplants annually
- Rotations in pre- and post-operative care
- Research in collaboration with transplant surgery

1 YEAR | 1 TRAINEE | NON-ACGME ACCREDITED

Fellowships

Perioperative Leadership Fellowship

MISSION: The fellowship aims to build upon the core values of patient safety, communication, and collaboration by focusing on leadership development in partnership with four programs: UAB's Master of Science in Health Administration (MSHA), Master of Science in Health Informatics (MSHI), and Master of Business Administration (MBA), as well as the UAB Leadership Development Office (LDO).

EXPERIENCE:

- Fellows will choose to pursue a two-year master's degree (MSHA, MSHI, or MBA) at UAB.
- Fellows will join our faculty as full-time anesthesiologists with full benefits, with time afforded every week for classwork and learning opportunities.
- They will have access to UAB LDO offerings usually only available to UAB Health System leaders.
- Fellows will complete a perioperative leadership project to be presented at both departmental Grand Rounds and a large-scale national anesthesia meeting.

2 YEARS | 2 TRAINEES | NON-ACGME ACCREDITED

Regional Anesthesia & Acute Pain Medicine

MISSION: Fellowship training is designed to develop expertise in the practice and theory of regional anesthesia and acute pain management techniques. The program emphasizes pre-operative assessment, patient selection, patient education, and in-depth understanding of physiology and pharmacology in the provision of patient care.

NOTABLE ACHIEVEMENTS:

- Regional fellows participate in multiple research projects mentored by regional subspecialty faculty.
- Graduates have become active leaders in private and academic practices.

CLINICAL EXPERIENCE:

- Peripheral nerve and neuraxial blockade
- Extensive ultrasound experience
- Management of patients undergoing orthopedic, pediatric, trauma, thoracic, vascular, plastic, and general surgery

1 YEAR | 2 TRAINEES | NON-ACGME ACCREDITED

Research Fellowship

MISSION: The primary goal of this training program is to develop expertise in one of the following areas of research: neurobiology of pain, organ injury and repair, or health outcome research. We want to prepare the fellow for a successful career as an academic physician-scientist.

NOTABLE ACHIEVEMENTS:

- All graduates have made a successful transition into academic practices.
- Three of the graduates obtained a Research Fellowship Grant from the Foundation for Anesthesia Education and Research (FAER).
- One of the graduates obtained a Mentored Research Training Grant from FAER.
- Currently, there are 12 faculty members in the Division of Molecular and Translational Biomedicine with active NIH-funded research programs in the areas of research listed above. There are also several active clinical and educational research projects with well-qualified mentors.
- Fellows usually complete the Systematic Training in Anesthesia Research (STAR) Program and choose a research mentor based on their research interests.

CLINICAL EXPERIENCE:

- 75% research and 25% clinical in area of interest

1-2 YEARS | 1 TRAINEE | NON-ACGME ACCREDITED

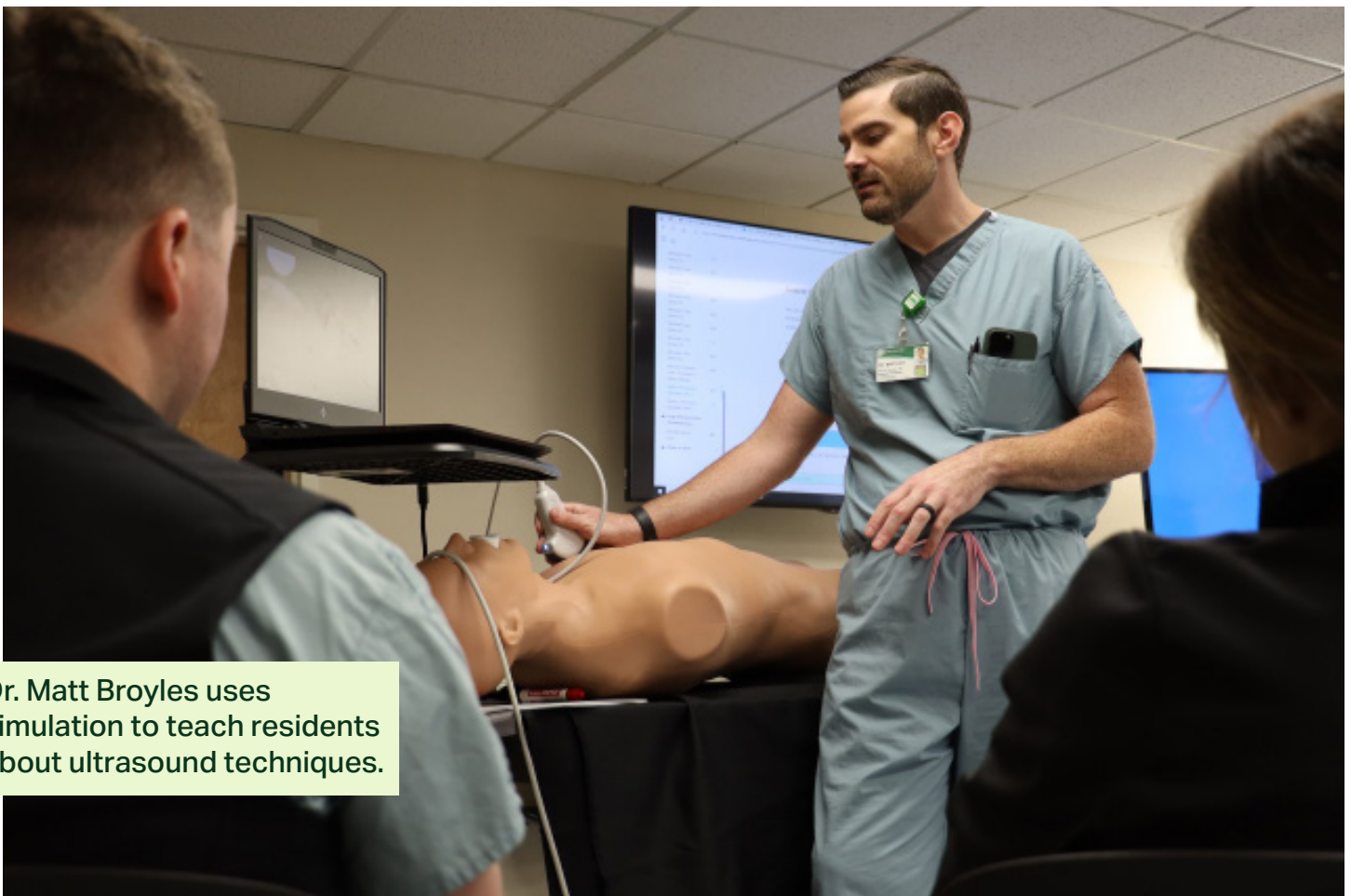
Educational Resources

Simulation

The department's Simulation Program, in conjunction with the UAB Clinical Simulation/Office of Interprofessional Simulation for Innovative Clinical Practice, offers high-quality, high-fidelity, immersive, procedural, and hybrid simulation experiences to residents and fellows. Throughout their training, our residents have the opportunity to take part in multiple simulated clinical scenarios, both in operative and perioperative settings.

In immersive and hybrid simulations, participants practice clinical management as well as crisis resource management techniques, followed by debriefings with simulation-trained experts. In procedural simulations, participants are offered the opportunity to reach a minimum safety standard when performing a certain procedure, such as central venous line insertion. Our program also offers ABA-style Objective Structured Clinical Examination prep simulations to prepare residents for the OSCEs that are a part of the APPLIED Exam for the American Board of Anesthesiology.

Our program was recognized in 2015 by the American Society of Anesthesiologists (ASA) as one of only 54 ASA-endorsed centers in the United States to offer simulation courses for Maintenance of Certification in Anesthesiology (MOCA) that count toward Part IV of anesthesiologists' recertification process. UAB is the only such endorsed site serving Alabama, Mississippi, and Louisiana.



Dr. Matt Broyles uses simulation to teach residents about ultrasound techniques.

Educational Resources

International Rotations

Four to eight senior residents and faculty members participate in an annual two- to fourweek international rotation elective at University Teaching Hospital in Lusaka, Zambia.

This elective provides residents with an improved understanding of health care challenges in underserved populations, allows greater exposure to alternative health care delivery models, and enhances crosscultural sensitivity and communication skills.



Residents collaborate with medical staff at University Teaching Hospital in Zambia.

"Opportunities such as our international rotations provide residents with unique, immersive training experiences that broaden their perspectives beyond traditional academic settings and showcase their potential for lasting impact. Senior residents who participate in this rotation play a vital role in helping train Zambian anesthesia residents, building international anesthesia capacity and preparing the next generation of leaders; locally, nationally, and even internationally. These experiences ensure our graduates are equipped with the knowledge, skills, compassion, and innovation necessary to excel as compassionate and forward-thinking leaders."

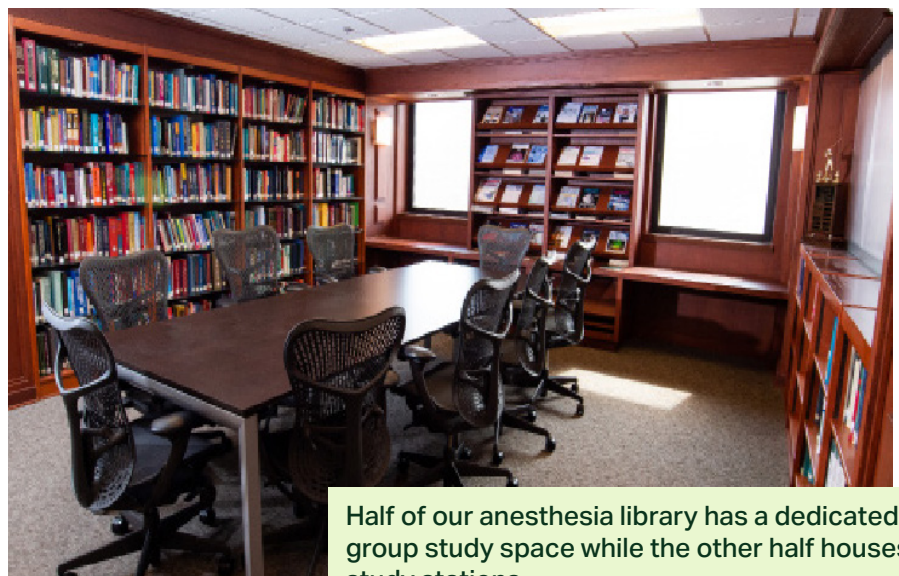
- Emily Wasson, M.D., MPH
Associate Program Director



Our Anesthesia Library

The department features a library exclusively for anesthesiology residents and fellows. It includes dedicated study space, computer workstations, and meeting space.

The collection includes more than 2,500 print titles with extensive additional e-books and e-journals provided by the Lister Hill Library of the Health Sciences.



Half of our anesthesia library has a dedicated group study space while the other half houses study stations.

Educational Resources

Research Day

Research Day is an annual event that highlights the breadth of scholarly work across our department. It draws strong participation from both departmental and medical school leadership. Each year, one clinical trainee and one research trainee are selected to present their submitted abstracts, providing a platform for emerging voices in academic medicine. The day also features a keynote address from a distinguished, world-renowned expert in the field.



Faculty, staff, and trainees gather for the annual departmental Research Day on May 11, 2026.

Resident Mentored Research Experience Track

The department continues to offer the Resident Mentored Research Experience Track (RMRET). This track is designed for residents with an interest in additional experiences in research. Residents will be mentored to conduct a clinical, quality, educational, translational, or basic science research project. Residents will present their findings at a regional or national meeting as well as help develop a manuscript for publication.

STAR Program

The Systematic Training in Anesthesia Research (STAR) Program is an initiative that underscores our commitment to furthering bedside-to-bench-to-bedside research. The STAR Program is a resident research track available through the residency match. Developed to train residents interested in careers as physician-scientists, this track trains potential candidates in basic, translational, and/or clinical research. Led by Dr. Brant Wagener, the overall goal is to expand upon a foundation in research to prepare applicants for careers in academic medicine. The successful applicant/trainee will have a strong scientific background via graduate training (Ph.D. or M.S.) or significant experience in other venues such as NIH fellowships or summer research programs.

STAR Program Residency Timeline

4TH YEAR MEDICAL SCHOOL:

- Apply
- Interview
- Match into research track

POST GRADUATE YEAR ONE:

- Meet with program director and STAR director
- Meet with potential mentors
- Evaluate early research education and education needs

POST GRADUATE YEAR TWO:

- Determine mentor by end of year
- Develop resident academic development plan

POST GRADUATE YEAR THREE:

- Conduct research, write, and evaluate recruitment for ongoing training

POST GRADUATE YEAR FOUR:

- Complete clinical or research fellowship

Educational Resources

Leadership and Professional Development Opportunities

We want residents and fellows to be well prepared to serve as leaders in anesthesiology and the broader medical community. We encourage you to consider your long-term career goals and explore the wide range of graduate degree and certificate programs available beyond the core curriculum. Through advanced training opportunities, residents and fellows can develop the knowledge and skills needed to assume leadership roles within healthcare systems, academic institutions, and the specialty at large.

UAB Educational Assistance Program

The UAB Educational Assistance Program (EAP) will pay 100% tuition for multiple UAB graduate degree and certificate programs. Our department provides 50% coverage of eligible program fees associated with your coursework. Residents and fellows who meet departmental and institutional admission requirements may request approval for protected non-clinical time to attend classes without extending training. A small sampling of graduate degree and certificate programs available through the UAB EAP include:

Master of Science in Health Administration (MSHA)

Offered through the UAB School of Health Professions, the Executive MSHA Program prepares physicians for leadership in health care operations, systems, and policy.

Master of Science in Healthcare Quality and Safety (MSHQS)

This degree program, also through the UAB School of Health Professions, develops expertise in quality measurement, patient safety, and health systems leadership.

Artificial Intelligence and Medicine (Graduate Certificate)

This certificate provides learners important foundations in understanding and applying artificial intelligence (AI), as well as the safety, security, and ethics of using AI to improve the health and lives of patients.

Healthcare Quality and Safety (Graduate Certificate)

This course is designed to offer a well-rounded understanding of leadership, data system design, process management, hazard analysis, management tools, and modeling techniques for the improvement of clinical processes and decision making.

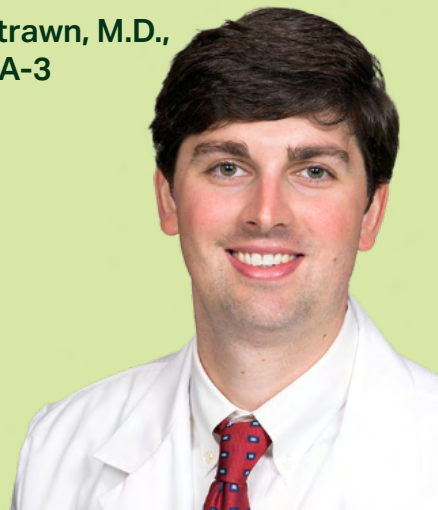
Funding for Non-EAP Programs

Perioperative Echocardiography Certification (National Board of Echocardiography)

Anesthesiology provides 50% coverage of eligible expenses for completion of this course that culminates in certification in perioperative echocardiography.

"The Educational Assistance Program has made it possible for me to pursue an Executive MSHA while completing residency. This opportunity would not have been financially possible without UAB's support. The MSHA program is equipping me with a deeper understanding of health care systems, leadership, finance, and operations, enabling me to better advocate for my patients and deliver higher-quality perioperative care. I am grateful for the investment that UAB and the Department of Anesthesiology have made in my education and in my future as a physician leader."

**Daniel Strawn, M.D.,
PGY-4/CA-3**



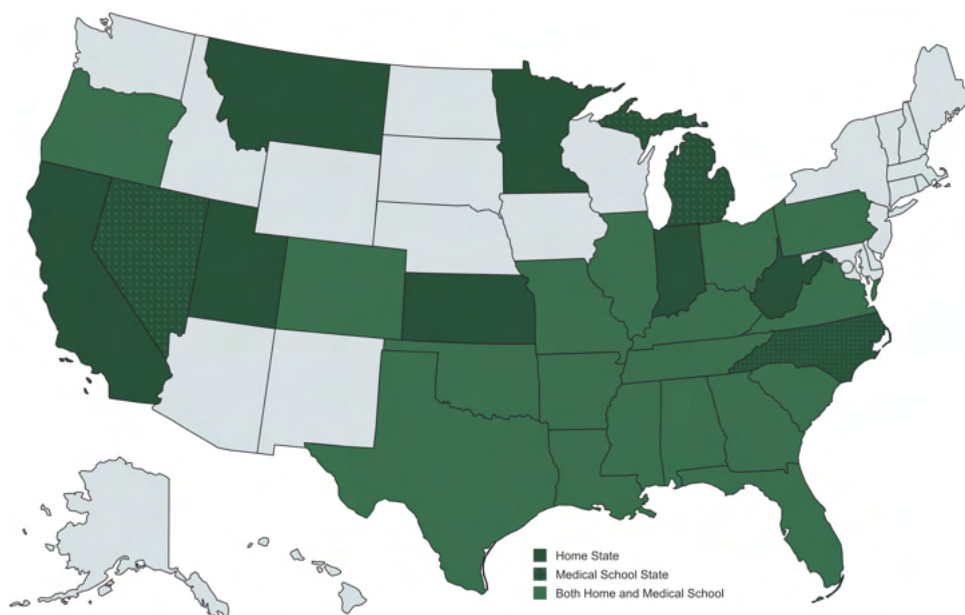
Our Residents

Our residents arrive at UAB from across the country with unique backgrounds, experiences, and career goals, fostering a collaborative culture that challenges one another to grow while supporting one another's success.

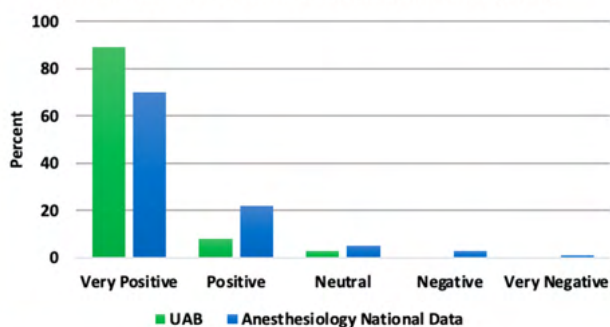
DISTINGUISHING TRAITS

- Our residents are future leaders in anesthesiology, pursuing careers in private practice, fellowship training, academic medicine, healthcare quality, research, and system leadership.
- Through individualized mentorship and career development, residents actively engage in education, research, quality improvement, patient safety, data science, and emerging technologies while developing expertise that extends beyond traditional clinical training.
- Residents contribute to national professional organizations, present scholarly work at regional and national meetings, and foster a culture defined by professionalism, collaboration, mentorship, and teamwork.

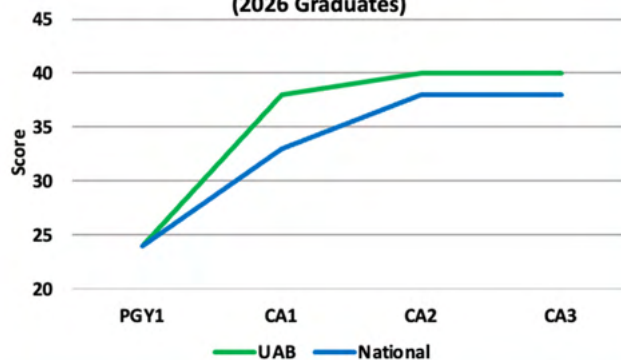
CURRENT RESIDENT ORIGIN STATE OF RESIDENCE



ACGME RESIDENT SURVEY OVERALL EXPERIENCE (2026)



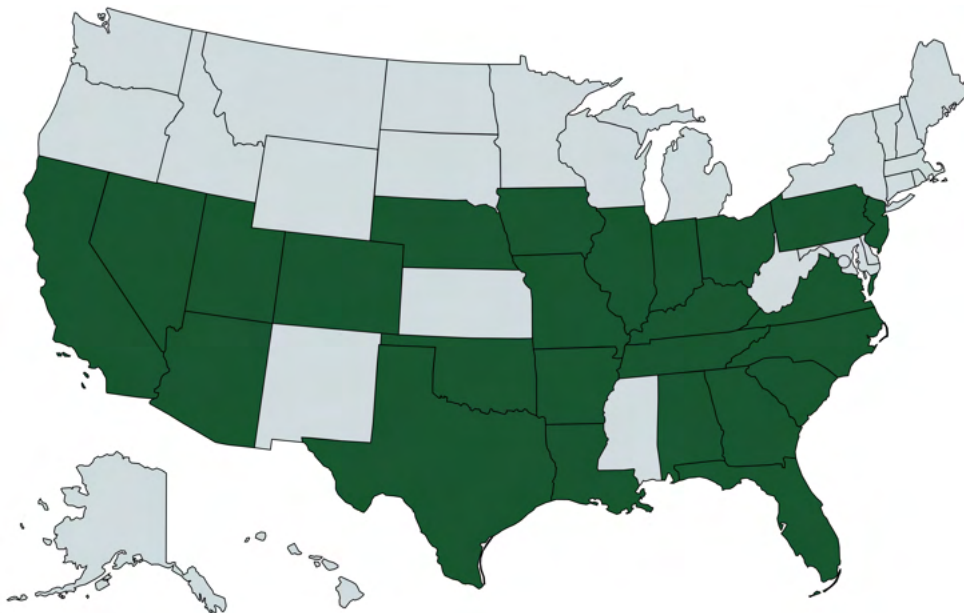
IN TRAINING EXAM PERFORMANCE
(2026 Graduates)



Our Graduates

The success of a residency program is best reflected in the achievements of its graduates. Whether pursuing fellowship training, academic medicine, or private practice, our alumni are exceptionally well prepared to thrive in a wide variety of professional settings. Across the country, graduates of our program serve as trusted clinicians and influential leaders who advance patient care, education, research, quality improvement, and healthcare innovation. Their accomplishments reflect a tradition of clinical excellence, lifelong learning, leadership, and service that extends far beyond residency training.

POST RESIDENCY STATE OF PRACTICE (2022-2026)



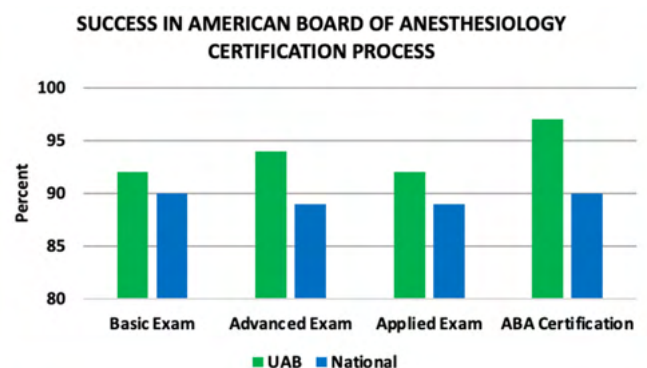
FELLOWSHIPS

- 40-60% of graduates pursue fellowships.
- 90-100% are in the fellowship of their choice.



PRACTICE

- 25% enter academic practice.
- 75% join private practice.



A Message from the Chief Residents on Community at UAB



As chief residents, we know that choosing a residency program is about more than where you'll train. It's also about finding a community where you can thrive both inside and outside the hospital. Birmingham offers the perfect balance of outstanding clinical opportunities, affordable living, and countless ways to enjoy your time away from work. From vibrant neighborhoods and incredible restaurants to outdoor adventures and family-friendly attractions, there's something here for everyone. To give you a better sense of what life is really like at UAB and in Birmingham, we've shared some of our favorite aspects of the program, the city, and the experiences that have made this city feel like home during residency.

2026-2027 Chief Residents & Resident Recruitment Directors

Tim Carter, M.D.

John North, M.D.

Taylor St. Martin, M.D.

OUR BIRMINGHAM

John's favorites

Favorite part of UAB: My co-residents. I have become close friends with several people in my class, and we routinely hang out outside of the hospital. They are also all always willing to go above and beyond for each other both at and away from work!

Favorite place to take my family: I love going to the Birmingham Zoo with my wife and son. We have the season pass so it is extremely affordable, and he loves riding the train past all the animals.

Why I love Birmingham: Birmingham is my hometown and has developed a great deal over my time living here. It offers big-city amenities with a small-town feel. Most neighborhoods are a short commute to the hospital, making it easy for us to spend time together outside of work. Birmingham is also a short trip away from essentially anywhere else you would want to go in the South.



Taylor's favorites

Why I chose UAB: From the very beginning, this program felt different. It's family-friendly in a way that actually matters when you're navigating the demands of residency, and the people here seemed to be happy! UAB also offers paid masters programs, which let me pursue my MSHA while in training. Add in moonlighting opportunities that provide both extra income and extra experience, plus a program that puts real, tangible investment into its residents starting from intern year, and it becomes clear this isn't just a place to train. Choosing UAB Anesthesiology was one of the best decisions I've ever made, and I don't plan on going anywhere.

Favorite rotation: Cardiac! This is where residents get to manage the full breadth and complexity of cardiac anesthesia at a high-volume center. From on- and off-pump CABGs to heart and lung transplants, and the entire spectrum of mechanical circulatory support devices. It's intense, it's fast-paced, and it's exactly the kind of hands-on experience that builds real confidence and competence!

Favorite places to take guests: Pepper Place Market is a must! A lively Saturday morning market full of local vendors that makes Birmingham feel like home. Good People Brewing Company and Back 40 Brewing Company are local favorites for anyone who appreciates a well-crafted beer and a laid-back atmosphere! There are also SO many great restaurants to eat!



Tim's favorites

Favorite part of our program:

The autonomy and trust we're given as residents gives us the opportunity to take ownership of our patients and develop our clinical judgment. As we progress through residency, we're given more responsibility while still having excellent faculty support when we need it. I feel like UAB does a great job of preparing residents to be confident, independent anesthesiologists rather than simply teaching them how to get through residency and pass the test.

Best amenity of the residency program:

The anesthesia resident lounge! It's one of those little things that makes a huge difference during residency. It gives us a dedicated place to relax and catch up with co-residents between cases, grab a snack, or recharge with an energy drink (because caffeine is basically a food group in residency). It's become a place where you can decompress for a few minutes, laugh with your co-residents, and reset before heading back to the OR.

Favorite outdoor activities: When I'm not in the hospital, I am almost exclusively outside! Some of my favorite outdoor activities include taking care of my little farm in Fultondale, hiking with our dogs at Oak Mountain State Park and Turkey Creek Nature Preserve, playing golf at one of the Robert Trent Jones Golf Trail courses, or going to a Birmingham Barons baseball game. There are endless opportunities to have fun under the sun here!

Sweet Home Alabama

Birmingham is a hidden gem nestled in the foothills of the Appalachian Mountains. The city boasts scenic views, lush forests, and a vibrant cityscape creating a backdrop suitable for any activity. Whether you're hiking nearby trails or exploring one of many parks, Birmingham's natural beauty is a daily reminder of why it's a fantastic place to live. The city's unique blend of urban and natural environments makes it perfect for those who crave the energy of city life while still having access to nature.



Beyond the metro area, Birmingham is ideally situated for anyone who loves to travel. With close proximity to major cities such as Atlanta, Nashville, and New Orleans, weekend getaways are incredibly convenient. Plus, Birmingham's airport and Atlanta's international airport make travel a breeze. If you are looking for a quick beach escape or a mountain retreat, the beautiful beaches of the Gulf Coast and the peaks of the Smoky Mountains are just a short drive away. Birmingham offers the best of both worlds, combining a quaint city with easy access to some of the most beloved southeast destinations.

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The Magic City

AN EPICENTER FOR ARTS

Downtown's theatre district boasts historical cinemas such as the classic Alabama Theater and The Lyric Theatre. Modern additions such as Sidewalk Film Foundation and Red Mountain Entertainment breathe new life into the arts scene. With more than 10 festivals each year, you can dive into the creative communities within Birmingham at any time!



FOOD & DRINK

Whether you're a foodie or just love a good meal out, Birmingham has you covered. From cozy, local spots serving up classic Southern comfort food to trendy restaurants dishing out creative, farm-to-table eats, there is a ton of variety here. You can spend weekends discovering hidden gems or hit up food festivals that celebrate everything from BBQ to mac and cheese. With new places popping up all the time, there's always something delicious to try.



CATCH A GAME

From soccer to baseball to hockey, Birmingham is home to three minor league teams. Birmingham opened Protective Life Stadium in 2021, which is now home to minor league soccer team Legion FC. Since 1981, Birmingham has been home to minor league baseball team Birmingham Barons, and the Birmingham Bulls hockey team has had a presence in the area since 1976. You can always catch a game in the Magic City.



FUN FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY

Birmingham is home to five museums, a science center, and a water park, making it a destination for fun for the whole family. Whether you're learning about Birmingham's history or exploring a traveling exhibit at the Birmingham Museum of Art, you are sure to have a good time. Plus, the city is known for its many parks and trails, making it great for little ones to explore!

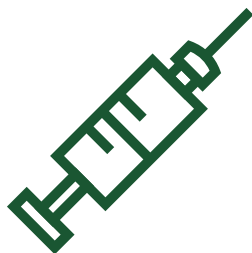


By the Numbers



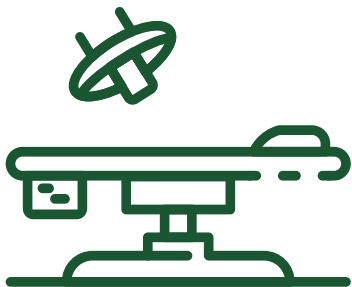
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FACULTY MEMBERS



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ANESTHETIZING SITES



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NON-OPERATING ROOM
ANESTHESIA SITES



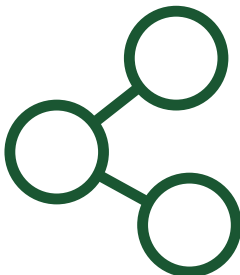
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PRINCIPAL INVESTIGATORS



150,000+

CLINICAL CASES



60+

PEER-REVIEWED
PUBLICATIONS



1,400

BEDS



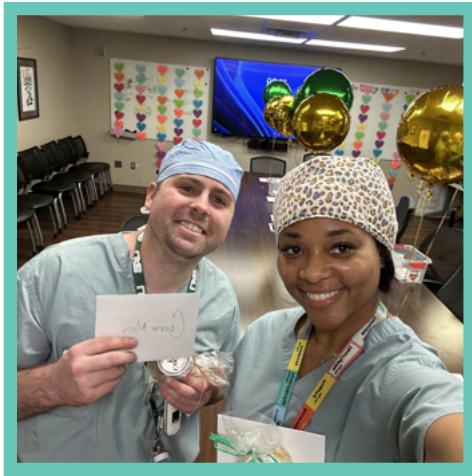
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RESIDENTS



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FELLOWS



Education

- Dedicated rotations in private practice and OR leadership and management
- Curriculum includes TEE, Oral Board, and OSCE Prep
- Multiple simulation labs throughout the year

Program

- 21 residents per class
- 4-year categorical program
- 9 fellowship programs

Institution

- 3,100+ beds
- 5th largest hospital in the nation
- Only ACS Level I Trauma Center in Alabama

Opportunities

- Dedicated research division
- Advanced academic degrees
- Moonlighting
- International rotation
- Private practice rotation
- Committed faculty mentors



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