

UAB School of Medicine
Visiting Students COVID-19 Protocol
Academic Year 2020-2021

COVID-19 has interrupted the clinical education of most, if not all, medical students across the country. On May 11, 2020, the Coalition for Physician's Accountability issued recommendations for "working together to create an equitable, transparent, and successful residency selection cycle." The UAB School of Medicine will be limiting visiting students during the 2020 -2021 academic year in alignment with these recommendations.

Visiting students may begin away rotations at UAB SOM no earlier than August 24, 2020. Given the rapidly changing nature of the current COVID crisis, away rotations may be canceled if deemed necessary to ensure the safety of learners and patients. These cancellations will be based on prevailing university guidelines, municipal regulations, and state mandates. Visiting students may be required to quarantine for two weeks, report symptoms, and/or complete COVID testing.

UAB will accept a limited number of visiting students who meet the following criteria:

- Students from medical schools in Alabama or the surrounding states of FL, GA, LA, MS, TN that do not have a residency program in the specialty to which the visiting student is applying. Students with a state of legal residence in Alabama who are currently residing in Alabama may be considered.
- Applicants who are not already planning to or have not already completed an away rotation at another institution.

Applicants for visiting student programs will be required to provide confirmation from an official at their institution (Registrar or Student Affairs Dean) that their home institution does not have a residency program in the specialty to which the student is applying.