

ASDS Dermatologic Surgery Preceptorship Program



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Application Deadline: May 12, 2014

PRECEPTOR PROGRAM PROFILES

The ASDS Dermatologic Surgery Preceptorship Program was overwhelmingly successful; every dollar pledged was fully expended in attaining the professional goals of the program participants. The program also succeeded in achieving two foremost goals of ASDS...to promote excellence in the field of dermatologic surgery and to foster the highest standards in patient care.



By observing how another dermatologic surgeon practices in the academic setting, I am better able to incorporate the most successful aspects of various academic physicians' practices into my future practice.

– *Christopher Urban, MD*



I was able to learn about new lasers and many new techniques with respect to cosmetic injectables. This ASDS Preceptorship was a wonderful experience.

– *Erik Domingues, MD*



This was an invaluable experience in cutaneous and reconstructive surgery, laser medicine, aesthetic dermatology as well as evidence-based dermatology and patient care/education. Not only was it important to see these procedures performed, but it was interesting to see how time was spent with the patient to ensure he or she is fully aware of potential outcomes and wound healing. My ASDS preceptorship diversified my training.

– *Melanie Wong, MD*



This preceptorship experience contributed significantly to my overall thinking process when dealing with repairs of complex surgical defects. This experience has further strengthened my surgical expertise and I am honored to have taken part in this program.

– *Austin Liu, MD*



In addition to the valuable experience in observing various procedures, I believe the greatest learning was in the art of handling patients. The art of medicine is the hardest part of medicine to master.

– *Tanya Kormeili, MD*



The quantity of procedures observed and the quality of the teaching from the physicians made this ASDS preceptorship experience unparalleled. I have a new perspective of how I will realistically incorporate cosmetic surgery into my future daily practice. I will certainly feel more comfortable doing procedures in my future practice.

– *Rachel Pritzker, MD*



Equipped with this invaluable experience, I feel much more confident providing optimal care to my surgical patients in my future career as a dermatologic surgeon.

– *Razieh Soltani, MD*



I was able to observe various injection-based techniques and fortunate to get exposure to the different lasers and light-based therapies and learn about their indications. The physicians were great mentors and provided me with very useful career advice. Not only did I learn practical skills, I also learned about practice management by watching a successful practice in action.

– *Katie Belezay, MD*

ASDS Dermatologic Surgery Preceptorship Program

The American Society for Dermatologic Surgery is committed to advancing the specialty of dermatologic surgery through innovation, education, leadership and excellence. Thus, we are pleased to extend the Dermatologic Surgery Preceptorship Program into 2014.

The ASDS Preceptorship Program provides young dermatologists the opportunity to visit the institution or practice of an established dermatologic surgeon. This exclusive ASDS program has proven successful in providing a non-conventional learning environment to perfect skills in core areas of practice as well as advancing skills in those areas of the specialty programs:

- Blepharoplasty
- Chemical Peel
- Dermabrasion
- Fillers/Neuromodulators
- Laser
- Liposuction
- Lifts: Face, Brow, Neck and S-Lift
- Reconstruction
- Skin Cancer Surgery
- Treatment of Venous Disease
- Other Dermatologic Surgery Procedures

The goals of the Preceptorship Program are to:

- Provide a venue for ASDS members to expand their skills and knowledge in a particular technique or surgical procedure.
- Enhance and complement the surgical skills of young dermatologists in various surgical procedures, especially those not predominantly emphasized in residency or fellowship programs.
- Provide ASDS members, who serve as preceptors, the opportunity to raise the level of dermatologic surgery through mentoring.

The ASDS Dermatologic Surgery Preceptorship Program continues to provide hands-on training, foster professional relationships and perpetuate the cycle of knowledge and sharing among expert and rising dermatologic surgeons.

HISTORY The ASDS Preceptorship Program was introduced in 2002 as a part of the Society's ongoing dedication to advancing the specialty and skills of dermatologic surgeons. This exclusive educational opportunity to learn first-hand from noted experts in the specialty would otherwise be unavailable to surgeons in training and ASDS members who seek to further enhance skills.

FOSTERING RELATIONSHIPS In many instances, the preceptees continue to have personal relationships with their preceptor long after the preceptorship has completed. ASDS encourages continued active correspondence and mentoring between the preceptee and the preceptor.

OBSERVERSHIP ASDS preceptorships typically provide the experience of an observership. The availability of hands-on experience depends upon local practice or institutional requirements for licensure and insurance coverage. Applicants are encouraged to seek information defining the nature of each preceptor's training program.

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APPLICATION PROCESS, DEADLINE AND STANDARDS

To apply for the ASDS Preceptorship Program, complete the application enclosed in the brochure and submit it to ASDS with a postmark no later than **May 12, 2014**. All color photographs must be sent electronically to hherron@asds.net

A complete application requires the following:

- Application information
- Preceptor information/signature (may be a faxed signature)
- Specific area of focus
- Funding requests
- Applicant curriculum vitae
- Applicant essay
- Electronic copy of applicant color photograph
- Letter of support from the resident's program chair
- Completeness of application, including all attachments

Applications will be accepted based on the merit of:

- The applicant's career goals.
- Educational goals of the preceptorship and any specific project.
- How the applicant believes the preceptorship will impact one's future or current practice in dermatologic surgery.

Upon completion of the program, preceptees are required to write a 500-word report detailing their experience for publication in *Currents*.

LIMITATIONS The program is open to all Fellows of ASDS, third-year residents (or second-year residents so long as the preceptorship occurs during the third year of residency) and physicians in fellowship training programs. All applicants to the Dermatologic Surgery Preceptorship Program must be members of ASDS, either in a qualified dermatologic residency or fellowship program or board-certified in dermatology. **Preceptors will be limited to one preceptee per year. Should multiple applications for one preceptor be received, the preceptor will be contacted to choose the application most meritorious.**

PRECEPTORSHIP Applicants will choose their preceptor from the list of ASDS Fellows who have agreed to serve in this capacity. Preceptors must sign the application indicating their willingness to participate according to the agreed-upon timeframe. If a preceptor is not on the ASDS-approved list, he or she must provide a curriculum vitae to accompany the application upon submission. Interested preceptors should be an ASDS member in good standing, at least five years out of training, have teaching experience as well as experience in a leadership role. The process for approving new preceptors shall occur as the application is being considered. While preceptees are the primary beneficiaries of the program, those who serve as preceptors also will find the experience to be personally rewarding.

ACCEPTANCE A letter of approval verifying acceptance of any application must be provided by ASDS to the preceptor before a preceptorship begins. Preceptors are discouraged from scheduling preceptorships without first receiving verification from ASDS.

FUNDING The funds provided to each preceptee will be determined based on their estimated expenses. For those who wish to support their own preceptorship, a minimum of \$100 (in U.S. dollars) in expenses must be requested. The Educational Exchange Work Group is responsible for the final decision on funding for each preceptorship awarded.

DURATION The duration of each preceptorship program will depend on the goal of the application and available funding. **Each preceptorship must run for a minimum of one week.** It is the discretion of the applicant to recommend the length of the preceptorship. ASDS preceptorships may begin in June 2014 and must be completed by DECEMBER 23, 2014.

ASDS PRECEPTORS

ASDS Fellows who are nationally recognized as experts in a particular procedure, technique or area of training serve as preceptors. They are surgeons recognized as published authors, national speakers and educators in a stated area of expertise.

ASDS is grateful to these dermatologic surgeons who have extended their expertise to others in pursuit of progress, growth and excellence in dermatologic surgery, and the highest standards of patient care.

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