

**Preparing for a Career in Anesthesiology:  
Making the Right Choice and the Being the Best Possible Applicant**

1. Career Choice: Attend this meeting as a first step in dialogue with residents and faculty, to provide information and answer questions about our specialty
  - a. Advantages and disadvantages of selecting Anesthesiology
  - b. Practice Opportunities in Anesthesiology
  - c. Subspecialty and Fellowship Training Options
2. Preceptorship in Clinical Anesthesiology [1407-41]: Strongly recommended exposure to all areas of our specialty and to our department members
3. Additional Recommended Electives:
  - a. Pulmonary Medicine [1425-71]
  - b. Cardiology Clinical Clerkship [1425-54]
  - c. Critical Care Medicine-Anesthesiology Clerkship [1407-42]
  - d. Pain Medicine [1407-44]
  - e. Obstetrical Anesthesiology [1407-43]
4. Outside “Audition” Anesthesiology Electives: Are they helpful or necessary?
5. Faculty Recommendation Letters: Consider potential faculty members for letters of reference- not all from the same department
6. ERAS Application to the NRMP: You will be able to begin applying in August 2013. You will need to have information about employment, volunteer and research activities, honors, awards, hobbies and other interests.
7. Select a Faculty Advisor: Several potential faculty advisors are listed for your consideration; please contact one or more and select an advisor. Your advisor will help you prepare and review your ERAS application, including your personal statement.

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8. Meet the Department Chair: You should schedule a meeting with Dr. Stock sometime during the next six months (312-926-2280).

9. Contact NUFSM students: There are several NUFSM graduates who are currently training in our program that you may want to contact:

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