

WeeklyWire 04/11/2025

FOR ALL MEDICAL STUDENTS

Community Connections & Wellness

- **There have been many changes in federal immigration policy since January 2025.** Notably, certain areas (schools, hospitals, churches) are no longer exempt from immigration enforcement. Students and faculty have asked appropriate questions on how these changes impact us at the University and in our clinical training environments. The Vermont Medical Society has put together a helpful site with resources to answer many of your questions: [Resources to Assist you and Your Patients with Immigration Enforcement](#), [Flow sheet for interacting with immigration enforcement](#). As learners in the clinical environment, you should immediately contact your supervising attending physician if you are approached by immigration enforcement agents.
- **New episode of Green Mountain Medicine Podcast:** [Click here to listen](#) to Dr. Jennifer Covino on this month's episode of Green Mountain Medicine Podcast. On this episode of GMM, we are joined by pediatric hospitalist Dr. Jennifer Covino. We discuss mascots, hospital snacks, and the schedule of a pediatric hospitalist. Tune in for even more here.
- **Visible Body Suite Trial:** Dana Health Sciences Library is running a trial of the updated [Visible Body Suite including Human Anatomy Atlas](#). Set up your account today to explore on desktop or in the app. [Contact UVM Libraries](#) for more details.
- **Wellness Appointments:** Please note that Dr. Lee Rosen, Director of Wellness, has shifted his appointment scheduling to Signup Genius from Bookings. Kindly [sign up for your appointments here...](#)
- **2025 Annual Larner Honors Societies Informational Session Recording Now Available!** Event occurred at 4:30pm, on March 17. If you missed the session, or would like to revisit the content, the [recording for our 2025 Honors Societies Info Session](#) is now available (MED credentials required)...
- **Medical Student Survey. This survey explores attitudes and intentions towards people experiencing homelessness:** The University of Central Florida College of Medicine is conducting a research study that aims to assess medical students' attitudes toward people experiencing homelessness. The survey will ultimately help evaluate the impact of various interventions on students' perspectives, helping to improve education on homelessness in medical school and promote compassion amongst medical trainees. It takes 30 minutes or less to complete and is fully confidential. [Participants will receive a \\$5 Amazon gift card from UCF's Office of Planning and Knowledge Management](#). Questions can be directed to br238062@ucf.edu.
- **Dean Zehle Drop In Meetings - Sign Up!: 4/16 12-1PM** These drop-ins are provided for students to connect with Senior Associate Dean for Medical Education. We protect student drop-in sessions to ensure our students can discuss any arising issues or concerns, and to ensure your dean is always accessible to you. You can [secure a 20-minute slot during the provided drop-in hours, using the Dean for Medical Education drop-ins sign-up](#). Please contact [Colleen Case, the Executive Assistant to the Senior Associate Dean for Medical Education](#), if you have any questions or concerns.
- **Health C.A.R.E. Series Grand Rounds: 4/16, 12-1 pm,** Zoom Celebrate Black Maternal Health Week with the Office of Inclusive Excellence. [Read More Here...](#)

- **Coffee/Tea with Dean Zehle:** 4/18 7:30 am-8:15 AM, Given Courtyard.
- **UVM Wellness Environment 5K:** 4/20, 3-5:30 PM, UVM's Athletic Campus. [Read More Here...](#)
- **UVM Larner Med Eighth Annual Community Clothing Swap Drop-Off:** 4/21, 7-9PM, MedEd 300. The Office of Medical Education and the Larner Medical Student Council is co-hosting the SEVENTH Annual Larner College of Medicine Community Clothing Swap! As you flip your closets for fall and spring, please consider setting aside your clothes to donate to this event. [Read More Here...](#)
- **Volunteer at Kids Fest:** 4/26, 10AM-1PM, YMCA Burlington. The event includes fun activities and education focused on health and safety for children and families in the Burlington area. The UVM Children's Hospital is a partner, and they give out bicycle helmets to children. [This link includes a flyer with details and volunteer sign up form.](#) Medical students who sign up to volunteer should indicate that they are medical students in question 9 on the form.
- **Musical Brain Initiative:** April Visit. MedEd 202 4/26/25 1-2 PM., MedED 202. [Read More Here...](#)
- **Join the Larner COM Class of 2029 Facebook Group:** August 1, 2025. We're excited to invite you to the Larner College of Medicine Class of 2029 Facebook group. [Read More Here...](#)

Career Counseling Opportunities

- **Leadership Update - Newly Appointed Aequitas Health Honor Society (AHHS) Faculty Co-Advisor:** Please join us in welcoming Dr. Katie Menson as our newly appointed AHHS Faculty Co-Advisor. Dr. Menson will [co-lead our AHHS chapter](#) alongside Dr. Katie Wells, the Director of Social Medicine. For more information, [contact Kiersten Tavares, Medical Student Services Coordinator.](#)
- **HemOnc Fellows Conference:** HSRF 200 April 15, 2025, 8:00 AM - 9:00 AM "Quality Improvement Project" Speaker is Dr. Ryan Thomas, 3rd Year Fellow in Hematology and Medical Oncology, UVMHC in person only. [Whitney Feininger, Admin, Hematology/Oncology Division.](#)
- **Pediatrics Grand Rounds- "Decision Making; Navigating Through the Fog":** 4/16, 8-9AM, Davis Auditorium or zoom.
- **Hematology/Oncology Grand Rounds/Thomas Roland Lectureship:** 4/16 2025 4:00 PM - 5:00 PM HSRF 300 "Palliative Care and Radiation Oncology: From Single Fraction to Spirituality: Speaker Information: Tracy Anne Balboni, MD, MPH, FAAHPM Professor of Radiation Oncology, Harvard Medical School Program Director, Harvard Radiation Oncology Program Vice Chair of Education, Brigham and Women's Hospital/Dana Farber Cancer Institute Director, Skeletal (Bone/Spine) Radiation Oncology Light Refreshments Provided [.Whitney Feininger, Admin, Hematology/Oncology Division.](#)
- **Pediatric Subspecialty Series:** Infectious Disease: 4/22, 12-1PM, MedEd 309. The PSIG is hosting a subspecialty discussion with a pediatric infectious disease doc (Dr. Raszka) to discuss career paths for any interested medical students. [Contact Molly Burke.](#)
- **Pediatrics Grand Rounds - "Integrative Pediatrics":** 4/23, 8-9PM, Hybrid Even Davis and Zoom.

- [Physician Residency and Fellowships](#) We welcome all interested students and administrators to attend. [To register, please visit](#) this website. For more details, [contact Julie Dill](#).

Research Opportunities

- **UVM Student Research Conference:** 4/23; 10:30 am – 5:00 pm; Davis Center | Grand Maple Ballroom. Opportunity to showcase your research. Open to any UVM undergraduate, graduate, or medical student, the Student Research Conference, hosted by the Fellowships, Opportunities, and Undergraduate Research (FOUR) Office, showcases hundreds of students' research all day at the Davis Center. [This conference is part of UVM Research Week](#). For more details [contact Renee Stapleton](#).
- **6th Annual Otolaryngology Virtual Chautauqua:** Every Thursday from May 8, 2025, through July 10, 2025 from 7:30 to 9:00 PM EDT. The University of Buffalo will sponsor talks by otolaryngologists geared to prepare students for otolaryngology rotations and content. There is a student-organized question bank, a research co-op, and a case report contest. [Read More Here...](#)
- **Conference Funding Available:** The Burke Foundation Gift is to support registration and travel costs for a medical student of any year in training interested in attending a conference in addiction medicine, substance use disorders and/or mental health. If you are interested in this opportunity, please send a paragraph describing how this will help your future career as well as the name/link of the conference and budget for associated costs. Send this information to Halle.sobel@uvmhealth.org.

Scholarship Opportunities

- **2025 Stanley M. Kaplan Essay Award for medical students:** Deadline Oct 1, 2025. The winner will receive a cash prize of \$500 and two runners-up will be awarded \$250 each. Winners will be announced in November 2025. [Read More here...](#)

M1 STUDENTS (co2028) Happy Spring Break!!

- **Call for M1 Tutors Open:** OME is currently accepting [Tutor Interest Form](#) submissions until 10am on May 30th to identify a balanced cohort of co2028 active peer tutor candidates, covering a comprehensive set of pre-clinical services and content specialties. Note: The peer tutoring program has a limited number of active spaces to fill for an August 2025 start (n=11). For more information, please refer to the introduction of the Tutor Interest Form.
- **OME Summer Internship Opportunities:** Summer, 2025. Various teams are looking for students to apply for this paid internship. This summer there are opportunities to work with the Foundations, Admissions, Student Services, and the Learning Environment teams in the Office of Medical Education. For more information, [please see the attached advertisement](#).
- **Seeking Nominations for new co2028 LEAP Committee Representatives:** 4/27. The LEAP (Learning Environment and Professionalism) Committee is currently seeking nominations for 2 VT and 1 CT representatives from the Class of 2028. [Read More Here...](#)

- **Jumpstart VIC Summer Teaching Assistants Needed:** Course Runs July 14th - August 1st, 2025. Deadline for submitting application 4/21 (first day of MedNeuro). Two paid positions available to help run TBL sessions in Jumpstart VIC. [Read More Here...](#)
- **Medical Education Thematic Working Group** is looking for a Student Rep- deadline Monday, April 28th at 12PM. The Thematic Working Group is a working group of the Medical Curriculum Committee (MCC) and is looking for a class representative from the class of 2028. The Charge of this group is to review the location (horizontal and vertical integration), quantity, and quality of thematic content in the curriculum, (ex. reproductive rights, EBMs, Palliative Care, etc.) and making recommendations for curriculum improvements to the Medical Curriculum Committee. Topics change quarterly at the recommendation of the working group and/or MCC, and meetings are held monthly. If interested, please forward a paragraph/statement of interest to Colleen Case no later than Monday, April 28 at noon. For additional information regarding this working group, please contact [Colleen](#).

M2 STUDENTS (co2027) Now that you are settled into clerkship, here are some resources to help you be successful:

- **Shelf Exam Success Recommendation Checklist:** A compiled Academic Achievement list of tips, strategies, and considerations for co2027 shelf exam preparation planning: [Link to Checklist](#). This checklist can also be found along with other resources in the [Clerkship Academic Success Planning page of the Academic Achievement Commons](#). The checklist covers all things clerkship shelf: question bank, voucher requests, timing of self-assessments, supplemental resources.
- **Shelf Resources:** A reminder that the Dana Library has some e-book and print books that may be helpful for shelf exams, test-taking and developing clinical knowledge: [The Subject Exam link](#) has supplemental resources for each clinical rotation (e.g., Case Files series, Step-up series); the [Step 2 Exam link](#) has an e-book "Test-taking Strategies for the USMLE Step 2". Want to learn more about strategically approaching NBME clinical knowledge questions? Take a look at the [Unlocking Assessments NBME Video Series](#).

M3 STUDENTS (co2026)

- **UB Plastic Surgery Research Fellowship:** now. The University at Buffalo 1-year funded Research Fellowship for M3's looking to take a dedicated research year. The individual in this position will work closely with the faculty and residents in the University at Buffalo's Division of Plastic Surgery. The primary responsibility will be to assist with and generate research for the division. This is a 1 Year, Scholarship Funded Position (12 months), July 1 Start Date. DUTIES INCLUDED BUT NOT LIMITED TO:
 - Collaborations with PI and co-investigators to develop research protocols
 - Conduct literature searches
 - Develop and maintain research databases
 - IRB approvals and communication
 - Produce abstracts, manuscripts and poster presentations for submission/presentation at Regional or National meetings
 - Attend Regional/National meetings (funding provided) as needed to support/present accepted research
 - Attend/Contribute to regularly scheduled departmental research meetings

BASIC QUALIFICATIONS:

- US Medical Student in good standing between M3 years and M4 years
- Interest in Plastic Surgery
- Self-Motivated and able to work independently on multiple projects

Email Resume, Letter of Interest and 1-2 Letters of Recommendation to: [Katie Petrell](#)

- **Application Deadline 2026 Global Health Electives:** 4/13. [Applications for the Global Health Elective](#) can be submitted online. 4/14 All day [watch the recording of the informational session here](#). Access the [PowerPoint slides from the intro session here](#). For more information about the program and Global Health sites, [please visit our website](#). If you have any questions, feel free to reach out to [Dilyara Nurkhametova](#).
- **Apply to join the Admissions Committee:** Deadline 4/20. Calling all class of 2026 students Interested students should complete [this application by Sunday, April 20th](#). [Read More Here...](#)
- **Application Deadline -Mildred Reardon Medical Student Scholarship:** 4/25. The Vermont Medical Society's Education and Research Foundation (VMSERF) is now accepting applications for the Mildred Reardon scholarship, which awards \$10,000 to a University of Vermont Larner College of Medicine third year student committed to practicing medicine in Vermont. [Read More Here...](#)
- **Marian Regional Medical Center Accepting Upcoming 4th Yr Medical Student Applications for Sub-Internship Rotations:** Application Deadline 4/30. [Read More Here...](#)

M4 STUDENTS (co2025)

- **Guest Hooder Deadline:** Friday, April 18, 2025. Guest hooders for graduation must be identified in advance and shared by April 18. [Read More Here...](#)
- **Rainbow Graduation 2025!** Rainbow Graduation is a time to celebrate our graduating community members at the close of their time at the University. This year, join us for the 24th annual Rainbow Graduation at UVM! All attendees must RSVP by Monday, April 28th by [filling out this form](#). If you are a graduating student, RSVP by Friday, April 18th. Additionally, if you are graduating and would like to [speak at Rainbow Graduation, apply here!](#) We want to celebrate graduating students of all levels — graduate, undergraduate, and more! Celebrate in community, and know that as always, everyone is welcome. If you have any questions, please email prism@uvm.edu.
- **Commencement Guest Tickets:** May 1, 2025, 12 PM Tickets will be available online to degree candidates only beginning Friday, March 28 to Thursday, May 1 at 12:00 P.M. (EDT). Each degree candidate is eligible to receive up to six tickets. You will receive an email from Academic_Ceremonies@uvm.edu in your UVM email (NOT your MED.UVM.EDU) account on Friday, March 28. The email will include a link to the [University of Vermont](#) University Tickets web page where you will be asked to log in with your UVM Net ID and password. Once logged in, degree candidates will be able to reserve their tickets and print them out at any time and/or send them to their family and friends. Students will have the option to request up to two additional tickets via a waiting list. Wait list tickets will be distributed after the initial ticket deadline of May 1 has passed. [Please contact Liz Dohrman](#) with questions about commencement guest tickets
- **Honors Night for the Class of 2025:** Tuesday, May 13, 4:00 PM, Grand Maple Ballroom, Davis Center. All members of the Class of 2025 are invited to celebrate your time at the Larner College of Medicine. [Read More Here...](#)

- **FREE AMBOSS FOR M4/co2025 Students!:** Deadline to sign up 7/1. I am excited to announce that AMBOSS is sponsoring all our graduating M4s with free access to the AMBOSS Knowledge Library through June 30th, 2026! [Read More Here...](#)

