



Anesthesiologists need to have a strong foundation in a wide variety of medical and surgical problems. Students pursuing a career in anesthesiology should focus on electives and selectives that give the student responsibility for diagnosis and management of diverse patients. Use the time available to you during your MS4 year to remedy any self-identified gaps in knowledge.

Suggested Selectives/Sub-Internships:

- ANES 4002 – Critical Care (Inpatient)
- MEDI 4066 – UH/VA MICU (Inpatient)
- SURG 4040 – Surgical Critical Care (Inpatient)
- ANES 4005 – Pain management (Ambulatory)
- MEDI 4002 – Clinical Cardiology (Ambulatory)

Suggested Electives:

- ANES 4103 – Critical Appraisal of Medical Literature
- MEDI 4077 – EKG Interpretation
- Any elective in the following departments:
 - Anesthesia
 - General Surgery and subspecialties
 - Internal Medicine and subspecialties
 - Obstetrics and Gynecology
 - Pediatrics

Away Rotations:

They are not required. It may be useful to seek an away rotation if you have a particular interest in a certain program or location.

USMLE Step 2 CK/CS:

It is generally a good idea to have completed both Step 2 CK/CS prior to the interview season beginning. Interviews are typically held from mid-October through December. Taking Step 2 CK early (before Sept. 1st) will ensure your score is available when ERAS opens.

*For further information visit the [American Society of Anesthesiologists' "Guide to a Career in Anesthesiology"](#)

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