

SAINT LOUIS UNIVERSITY

Department of Obstetrics, Gynecology
and Women's Health

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Saint Louis University is located in beautiful midtown St. Louis. Established in 1836, Saint Louis University School of Medicine has the distinction of awarding the first M.D. degree west of the Mississippi River. The Department of Obstetrics, Gynecology and Women's Health specializes in women's health services, high risk obstetrics, and urogynecology. SLUCare is also a pioneer in geriatric medicine, organ transplantation, chronic disease prevention, cardiovascular disease, neurosciences and vaccine research, among others. The School of Medicine trains physicians and biomedical scientists, conducts medical research and provides health services on a local, national, and international level.

THE ST. LOUIS AREA

St. Louis enjoys a very comfortable climate and a very reasonable cost of living. The St. Louis climate has four distinct seasons with a beautiful, lingering springs and autumns, occasional cold periods in winter, and warm, humid summers. Whether you choose to rent or own, housing is extremely reasonable and very spacious for the price.



The St. Louis area's cultural resources include a nationally renowned symphony orchestra, chamber musical groups, municipal light opera, art museum, science museum, history museum, Missouri Botanical (Shaw's) Garden and Climatron, and FREE admission to our St. Louis Zoo. The riverfront and downtown area includes casino gambling, the Gateway Arch museum and national park, ballpark village, and several trendy restaurants and

bars in the renovated loft district along Washington Avenue. A brand new aquarium will be opening in 2018 in the Historic Union Station area downtown.

The Anheuser-Busch Brewery offers free tours and is near the historical Soulard area. The lively neighborhood was named for Antoine Soulard, a Frenchman who surveyed colonial St. Louis for the King of Spain and originally owned this tract of land just minutes south of the Gateway Arch. The Soulard neighborhood marks its French heritage with a Bastille Day celebration each July and an 11-day Mardi Gras celebration in February. Soulard Farmers Market, operating continuously since 1779, is the neighborhood's centerpiece where locals and visitors swarm to buy fresh produce, flowers, baked goods, and exotic spices, Wednesdays through Saturdays.

"The Hill" is a culinary delight for the town of St. Louis. Settled in the early 1900s by Italian immigrants, residents still carry on their traditions in this lively neighborhood just minutes from downtown. Even the neighborhood's fire hydrants are painted green, white and red in tribute to the tri-color of Italy. Baseball personalities Yogi Berra, Joe Garagiola and Jack Buck grew up on the Hill's Elizabeth Avenue, which now bears the name "Hall of Fame Place" in their honor. The film, "Miracle Match" put The Hill on movie screens everywhere by chronicling exploits of the 1950 U.S. soccer team – led by young men from The Hill – that beat England in a stunning World Cup upset. Their neighborhood is chuck-full of fantastic restaurants, delis, bakeries and taverns. You can find homemade Italian delicacies at every corner.

Sports in St. Louis includes the Division I Saint Louis University Men's Basketball team (The Billikens), the 2011 World Series Champion Baseball Cardinals, and St. Louis Blues Hockey. The St. Louis Baseball Cardinals play in a stadium that was just built in the winter of 2005-06 that features an open outfield that allows spectators to have a great view of the downtown St. Louis skyline and Gateway Arch. The adjacent Ballpark Village is a 20,000 square-foot marketplace that features a massive 40 foot LED TV screen, four 90-inch LED TVs and nine 50-inch LED TVs. The Saint Louis University Billiken Basketball team has a state-of-the-art arena on the SLU campus called the Chaifetz Arena. Residents are frequently able to receive select free tickets for the Division I men's basketball team throughout the year from the Graduate Medical Education Office.

The St. Louis downtown area is currently booming with the recent construction of the "loft district". Several citizens from St. Louis County are now moving downtown to several new spacious lofts and penthouses being built and renovated amidst a large amount of bars and restaurants. Many people are pleasantly surprised when they price the new lofts downtown, as St. Louis is a very economical city to live in. Many new trendy restaurants and bars have opened downtown and the Metrolink can provide transportation to many other restaurant and bar areas, such as Central West End, Forest Park, The Loop, and Clayton.

The Greater Metropolitan Area of St. Louis includes other activities such as national parks, caves, hundreds of rivers for canoeing or rafting, wineries just south, west and north of the City, Six Flags amusement park, casinos downtown, to the south and the west, and live entertainment at many different venues surrounding the St. Louis area. You will never be bored on your day off in St. Louis.

OBSTETRICS, GYNECOLOGY AND WOMEN'S HEALTH

The Department of Obstetrics, Gynecology, and Women's Health has had a long and proud tradition of commitment to excellence in medical education training of both students and residents. The Residency Program is fully accredited. We were re-accredited on 5/17/2012 for 5 years, the maximum amount of continued accreditation. The Residency Training Program is organized to provide during the four years, a hands-on, broad experience necessary for developing the essential clinical and technical skills of a primary care and consultant obstetrician/gynecologist. Many of our residents also pursue academic careers and we do attach particular significance to the residents' involvement in research projects. The Medical Student Clerkship provides a Phase 3 Obstetrics and Gynecology rotation which incorporates a wide range of medical care services for women of all ages.

The Department serves a diverse population from the Greater Metropolitan Missouri, which seeks the special expertise of our faculty. The programs are based at St. Mary's Hospital (owned and operated by SSM Health), a tertiary referral center for a large geographical area in Missouri and Southern Illinois. It is located approximately 6 miles from the School of Medicine (about 8 minutes away). Our training programs also incorporate other hospitals for maximum exposure to all available educational opportunities and faculty expertise: Saint Louis University Hospital (also owned and operated by SSM Health), St. Luke's Hospital, and other elective rotations.



St. Mary's is a major tertiary hospital with services including comprehensive obstetrics and cardiology services, including high-risk obstetrics and open-heart surgery. There is also a wide variety of other hospital and outpatient services. St. Mary's has 582 total beds, 1,900 employees, 19,113 acute admissions, 4,427 inpatient surgeries, 6,779 outpatient surgeries, 39,347 ER visits, and 1,000 physicians on staff. Outpatient services include resident clinics, county clinics, and faculty private practice.

The training programs are conducted in an atmosphere of academic collegiality. We firmly believe that a supportive environment is conducive to a long lasting personal and professional association between faculty, residents, and students. Our faculty come from diverse ethnic, cultural and educational backgrounds. Faculty numbers have continued to expand with a very low attrition rate. Residents have the advantage of a university program but also excellent exposure to private practitioners and the private practice environment. You will find our programs innovative, stimulating, and foremost career enhancing.

OBSTETRICS AND GYNECOLOGY FACULTY

Mary McLennan, M.D., Professor and Chairman
Associate Residency Program Director



D. Gregory Ward, M.D., Associate Professor
Residency Program Director



DIVISION OF OBSTETRICS AND GYNECOLOGY SPECIALISTS:

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DIVISION OF RESEARCH

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FACULTY MENTORSHIP

Each resident will have a faculty mentor throughout their training in conformance with educational policies. They will also be given the opportunity to pick their own mentor if they choose.

RESIDENCY TRAINING AND EXPERIENCE

Residents will be trained in General Obstetrics and Gynecology, Maternal Fetal Medicine, Urogynecology, Gynecologic Oncology and Reproductive Endocrinology and Infertility. They will gain experience in General Obstetrics and Gynecology, High Risk Obstetrics, Neonatal Intensive Care Unit, Fetal Care, Operative Gynecology, Gynecologic Malignancies, Infertility and Endocrinopathies Pathology, Diagnosis and Management of Breast Disease, Urogynecology, Genetic Disorders, Ultrasonography, Family Planning and Abortion, Psychosexual Counseling, Critically Ill Patients, Neonatal resuscitation, Emergency Medicine, Basic Medical Epidemiology and Statistics, Ethics and Medical Jurisprudence.

GENERAL OBSTETRICS AND GYNECOLOGY SERVICE

GENERAL DESCRIPTION

The Generalist Division is committed to the education of specialists in women's health. Resident clinical responsibilities are directed toward the diagnosis and treatment of patients with attention to the highest medical standards.

OBJECTIVES

The educational program in General Obstetrics and Gynecology is a graduated learning experience. The responsibilities increase as the resident progresses through the program. Upon completion of the residency the graduate will be skilled in caring for the patient in need of this specialty care.

PGY I:

Obstetrics: The resident will be able to

- Discuss and deliver normal prenatal care.
- Discuss the risk factors for preterm labor.
- List the risk factors for a complicated obstetric patient.
- List the complications and initial management plan for common problems encountered in the post partum patient.
- Discuss the indications for, complications of and perform the following procedures:
 - Normal vaginal delivery and episiotomy repair.
 - Primary uncomplicated cesarean section
 - Outlet forceps/vacuum application
 - Basic obstetric ultrasound.
 - Assist at a complicated cesarean section.

Gynecology: The resident will be able to

- Identify and perform the key elements of a well-woman annual examination.
- Obtain appropriate cervical cultures and Pap specimens.
- Perform an endometrial biopsy.
- Perform a basic transvaginal and transabdominal gynecologic ultrasound exam.
- List the risk factors for gynecologic malignancies.
- Discuss the indications for, complications of and perform the following procedures:
 - Dilatation and curettage.
 - Diagnostic hysteroscopy.
 - Lower genital tract biopsies.
 - Diagnostic laparoscopy.

PGY2:

Obstetrics: The resident will be able to

- Deliver prenatal care for a high risk obstetric patient
- Differentiate the need for referral to maternal fetal medicine, oncology or reproductive endocrinology
- Conduct a fetal anomaly survey via ultrasound
- Appropriately order and interpret antepartum testing
- Discuss the indications for, complications of and perform the following procedures:
 - All primary cesarean sections.
 - Routine repeat cesarean sections.
 - Amniocentesis for pulmonary maturity.
 - External version of a breech.

PGY3:

Obstetrics: The resident will be able to

- Manage a high-risk pregnancy and delivery.
- Discuss the indications for, complications of and perform the following procedures:
 - All cesarean sections.
 - Genetic amniocentesis.
 - Fetal scalp sampling.
 - All forceps and vacuum procedures.
 - Vaginal breech delivery.

Gynecology: The resident will be able to

- Discuss the basic evaluation of the patient with incontinence.
- List the risk factors for and appropriate screening for patients with possible gynecologic malignancy.
- List the risks associated with the menopause and execute a preventative health program for such a patient.
- Provide initial evaluation and treatment of an undifferentiated infertility patient.
- List the causes and appropriate diagnostic tests and treatment for abnormal uterine bleeding.
- Recognize the causes and therapeutic approaches to the patient with pelvic pain.
- Discuss the indications for, complications of and perform the following procedures:
 - Basic operative laparoscopy.
 - Basic operative hysteroscopy.
 - Uncomplicated abdominal hysterectomy.
 - Ovarian cystectomy.
 - Cervical conization and LEEP.
 - Laser ablation of lower genital tract lesions.
- Discuss the indications for, complications of and perform the following procedures:
 - Uncomplicated vaginal hysterectomy.
 - All abdominal hysterectomies.
 - Anterior and posterior repairs.
 - Advanced operative laparoscopy.
 - Basic urodynamics.

PGY4:

Obstetrics: The resident will be able to

- Serve as a consultant for obstetric patients
- Discuss the indications for, complications of and perform the following procedures:
 - Cesarean hysterectomy.
 - Repair of uterine rupture.
 - All amniocenteses.

Gynecology: The resident will be able to

- Serve as a consultant for ambulatory gynecology patients.
- Discuss the indications for, complications of and perform the following procedures:
 - Advanced urodynamics.
 - Operative procedures for urinary incontinence.
 - All vaginal hysterectomies.
 - Sacrospinous fixation of the vagina.

This program operates primarily in an institution that does not practice abortions due to religious reasons. However, all residents will receive satisfactory education or experience in managing complications of abortion per the regulations of the Residency Review Committee (RRC). If a resident *chooses* to receive further education and experience about performing abortions, arrangements will be made at another institution.

MATERNAL-FETAL MEDICINE SERVICE

GENERAL DESCRIPTION

The Maternal-Fetal Medicine Division provides training in the care of women with pregnancies at high risk for adverse fetal or maternal outcomes. In addition, we provide training and experience in preconception counseling and counseling and evaluation of patients at risk for offspring with genetic disorders or other fetal abnormalities.

GOALS

The goal of the MFM rotation is to provide an opportunity for residents to gain skill and competence in the care of medical and obstetrical complications of pregnancy. This includes developing an understanding of the physiologic changes of pregnancy and how they are pertinent in the assessment and management of disease states. The resident should learn how to identify important risk factors during and prior to pregnancy. He/She should learn how to access information sources, when needed, to aid in the management of women with uncommon disorders or issues. He/She should learn when consultation is needed and have a good sense of the appropriate level or urgency in various clinical situations.

OBJECTIVES

Residents will understand and be able to discuss the indications, contraindications, risks, and benefits of the various procedures and therapies used in and around the time of pregnancy. By the end of the residency they will be able to perform independently those procedures expected of a generalist in Obstetrics and Gynecology. The chief resident will gain experience in the complex decision making required for the management in high-risk cases, including coordinating the input of neonatology anesthesiology and other medical/surgical consult services.

GYNECOLOGIC ONCOLOGY SERVICE

GENERAL DESCRIPTION

The Gynecologic Oncology Division provides educational experience for resident physicians and medical students in the care of patients with gynecologic malignancy. All aspects of gynecologic cancer, including prevention, diagnosis, treatment, and management of complications related to disease process and/or treatment, together with terminal care are taught by attending gynecologic oncologists through direct daily contact with patients; both in hospital and ambulatory care settings.

GOALS

It is the goal of gynecologic oncology rotation to provide an opportunity for the residents to gain basic understanding of tumor biology, and pathophysiology of various gynecologic cancers. The purpose of this rotation is to gain clinical skill and competency in the diagnosis and care of these patients, as a primary care obstetrician-gynecologist. State-of-the-art multi-modality treatment, including surgery, radiation, chemotherapy and biological treatment will be emphasized

OBJECTIVES

Through regularly held divisional conference, discussion and instruction during attending rounds and direct participation in all aspect of patient care, residents should become familiar with current diagnostic techniques, pre-treatment work-ups, various treatment modalities, post treatment care and follow up of patients with gynecologic cancer.

For those patients undergoing surgical treatment, resident will be given responsibility appropriate for their level of training and directly participate in surgery. They will be instructed in basic surgical skills, and be able to perform various pelvic surgical procedure under the direct supervision of gynecologic oncologist.

During their rotation, resident will be instructed and become familiar with principles of radiation therapy for gynecologic cancer. Through both ambulatory care facility and in-patient care settings, resident will be given instruction in basic clinical pharmacology, indications, and potential side effects of common chemotherapeutic agents. Resident will also be instructed in the management and participate in the care of patients with complications secondary to their treatment.

UROGYNECOLOGY SERVICE

GENERAL DESCRIPTION

Urogynecology encompasses evaluation and treatment of female urinary incontinence, fecal incontinence, urinary retention, painful bladder conditions, and pelvic organ prolapse. The division has the ability to perform in office procedures including multichannel urodynamics, cystoscopy, collagen injections, biofeedback, electrical stimulation, pudendal nerve testing, EMG, and sacral nerve test stimulation. Operative therapy involves abdominal, laparoscopic, vaginal procedures for incontinence, retention and prolapse.

GOALS AND OBJECTIVES

To understand the anatomy and function of the pelvic floor. To be proficient in evaluation and both conservative and operative therapy for uncomplicated urinary and fecal incontinence and pelvic organ prolapse.

REPRODUCTIVE ENDOCRINOLOGY AND INFERTILITY SERVICE

GENERAL DESCRIPTION

The Reproductive Endocrinology and Infertility rotation occurs during the third year of residency. It is a eight-week rotation combined with urogynecology where the resident will get hands-on training of infertile couples and patients with reproductive disorders. After completion of the rotation, the resident will be able to confidently manage the diagnosis and treatment of infertile couples, as well as management of endocrinologic disorders such as, but not limited to, polycystic ovarian syndrome, hirsutism, amenorrhea, and disorders of menstruation. Residents will also be trained in management of ovulatory disorders, as well as becoming familiar with assisted reproductive technologies and techniques.

GOALS AND OBJECTIVES

During the length of the residency program, the resident will have read and discussed each chapter in **Clinical Gynecologic Endocrinology and Infertility** by Speroff, Glass and Kase. This is probably the most widely read textbook of Reproductive Endocrinology and Infertility and the easiest to understand. While on the rotation, the resident will be exposed to various infertility patients, ranging from ovulatory, male factor and tubal disorders and participate directly in the care and decision making of these patients. In addition, the resident will have exposure to reproductive endocrine disorders such as abnormal puberty and sexual development, amenorrhea, menstrual disorders, PCO, premature menopause, and contraception. The resident will have a good deal of exposure to ovulation induction agents such as Clomiphene citrate, and human menopausal Gonadotropins and how to use them in the infertile couple. The resident will also perform (under supervision) the ultrasounds pertaining to patient care. The resident will also learn how to perform sperm washes and intrauterine insemination, and saline infusion ultrasound. The resident will also participate in all surgeries and learn laparoscopic and hysteroscopic techniques, as well as myomectomies (laparoscopic and during laparotomy). The motivated resident will have the opportunity to learn microsurgical techniques by employing the use of microscopic instruments by reanastomosing placental vessels and tubal reanastomosis on patients with prior tubal ligations.

RESIDENT SERVICES

Annual Vacation Leave

Residents will have 1 week of vacation every 4 months (total of 3 weeks per year) with an additional week in the fourth year (see below).

Sick Leave

Residents will have 30 sick leave days per year.

Maternity Leave

Maternity Leave and Paternity Leave are available for a negotiated number of working days. This is leave in addition to Annual Vacation and/or Sick Leave. The program complies with ABOG (American Board of Obstetrics and Gynecology) regulations.

Other Leave

Leave is also available for Educational Meetings/Conferences and interviewing during the fourth year.

Salary and Benefits

The current salary scale (academic year 2016-17) for Residents at Saint Louis University is as follows:

PGY-I	\$51,744	PGY-III	\$52,992
PGY-II	\$52,380	PGY-IV	\$55,548

RESIDENT EVALUATION

Continuous, individual evaluation is an integral part of the residents' education throughout their four years of training. Residents are formally evaluated by the faculty after each rotation and on specific encounters during that rotation. Faculty are also encouraged to provide ongoing feedback to the residents on their attitudes, knowledge, and skills throughout their time of interaction. All residents have faculty and upper level resident mentors.

At the six month evaluation intervals, residents are provided with a written evaluation summary that has been prepared by the Program Director. This summary is based on residents' performance in their assigned rotations, their CREOG examination scores, and any other issues deemed important by the resident or the faculty.

An anonymous, formal written evaluation of the faculty by the residents is conducted on a yearly basis. The residents and faculty are also encouraged to evaluate the program.

Residents are encouraged to do a self-assessment on a yearly basis and the progress of this self-assessment is discussed on a quarterly basis with their faculty advisor. Each resident is encouraged to communicate with his/her faculty advisors weekly to offer assistance with professional development.

Resident performance, in general, is also discussed at the monthly Division meetings and semiannually at the Department's Clinical Competency Committee meetings as the basis for promotion to the next level and graduation of the chief residents. Medical students and nurses routinely submit their evaluations of the residents' concerning their teaching performance and this is included in the committee review process. Patients also evaluate the residents on professionalism and communication. Finally the residents are evaluated anonymously by their peers. This 360-degree evaluation process evaluates the residents' competency in interpersonal and communication skills and teaching skills.

It should be noted that the Director places equal importance in rewarding good performance and this is stressed at the periodic meetings with individual residents as well as during case conferences.

RESIDENT ROTATIONS

The First Year

- 2 Months – St. Mary's Gynecology
- 2 Months – Various Speciality Outpatient Clinics
- 5 Months - St. Mary's Obstetrics (4 months Labor & Delivery and 1 month Antepartum)
- 1 Month – Combined Obstetrics Antepartum and Ultrasound
- 2 Months - Night Float

The Second Year

- 2 months - St. Mary's Gynecology
- 2 months - Various Speciality Outpatient Clinics
- 1 month – Medical ICU
- 1 month - Gynecologic Oncology
- 1 month – St. Luke's Gynecology/Oncology
- 2 months - Night Float
- 3 months - St. Mary's Obstetrics (2 month Labor & Delivery and 1 month Antepartum)

The Third Year

- 2 months – St. Mary's Gynecology
- 1 month – St. Luke's Gynecology/Oncology
- 1 month - Urogynecology
- 2 months – Reproductive Endocrinology/Infertility
- 1 month - Various Speciality Outpatient Clinics
- 2 months - Night Float
- 2 months - St. Mary's Obstetrics (1 month Labor & Delivery and 1 month Antepartum)
- 1 month – Gynecologic Oncology

The Fourth Year

- 1 months – St. Mary's Gynecology
- 2 months - Urogynecology
- 2 months - St. Mary's Obstetrics (1 month Labor & Delivery and 1 month Antepartum)
- 2 months - St. Luke's Gynecology/Oncology
- 2 months - Gynecologic Oncology
- 1 month - Various Speciality Outpatient Clinics
- 2 months – Night Float

MEET THE CURRENT RESIDENTS

Fourth Year Residents



M. Katherine Burton, M.D.
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Kathleen Flick, M.D.
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Third Year Residents



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Katy Wand, M.D.
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Second Year Residents



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First Year Residents



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Katelin Sisler, M.D.
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RESIDENT STATISTICS

2014-15 Average Procedures for Fourth Year Residents

Obstetrics

Spontaneous Deliveries	456
Operative Deliveries	46
Total Cesarean deliveries	273

Gynecology

Abdominal hysterectomy	47
Vaginal hysterectomy	28
Laparoscopic hysterectomy	71
Surgery for urinary incontinence	117
Cystoscopy	117
Laparoscopy	194
Hysteroscopy, diagnostic & operative	77
Missed abortions	33
Vaginal ultrasounds	102
Surgery for invasive cancer	68

2014-15 Average Procedures after First Year

Obstetrics

Spontaneous Deliveries	158
Operative Deliveries	6
Cesarean deliveries	50

Gynecology

Abdominal hysterectomy	3
Vaginal hysterectomy	1
Laparoscopic hysterectomy	8
Surgery for urinary incontinence	5
Cystoscopy	9
Laparoscopic surgery	12
Hysteroscopy, diagnostic & operative	23
Missed abortion	9
Vaginal ultrasounds	22

APPLICATION

Thank you for your interest in our residency program in Obstetrics, Gynecology and Women's Health at Saint Louis University. Our residency program consists of 24 residents, 6 per year. We are again looking to fill 6 positions for the 2017-18 academic year.



As you may know, all applicants are expected to apply using the Electronic Residency Application Service (ERAS) from the Association of American Medical Colleges (AAMC) and the Educational Commission for Foreign Medical Graduates (ECFMG). If you are interested in applying to our program, please contact the Dean's Office of your medical school of graduation for your ERAS information packet. If you are an international medical graduate, please contact your local ECFMG office for more information about ERAS.

We will accept electronic applications only. Paper copies of application materials will not be reviewed. The deadline for submission of your ERAS application to be considered for the 2017-18 match is **November 4, 2016**. Early applications are encouraged. A preliminary review of each application will be made upon receipt; this will be on a first-come, first-serve basis. We accept both American and foreign medical graduates and there are no minimum scores required nor clinical experience. We look at the entire application as a whole and invite the best 100 applications out of the 500 or so that we receive. While scores are important, so are your transcripts, recommendation letters, personal statement, etc. Saint Louis University will sponsor J1 Visas but not H1 Visas.

Your file will be considered complete when all ERAS materials (including at least 3 letters of recommendation, medical school transcripts, Dean's Letters, ECFMG certificates (if applicable) and documentation of national USMLE or COMLEX scores) have been received. When completing your electronic application, please be sure to check the box indicating your request for electronic submission of your licensure test scores. Also, please be sure to update your electronic application with any changes such as contact address, e-mail address, telephone number, or honors received.

Interview days will be held on Friday mornings in October, November and December, 2016. You will be notified by e-mail whether you have been selected for an interview. Unfortunately, due to the large amount of applications we receive, we will be unable to notify all those who are not selected for interviews.

If you have any additional questions or need assistance, please contact the Lori Gallini Hartig, Senior Education Specialist at (314) 781-4772 ext. 7 or by email at: gallinil@slu.edu.

SAMPLE CONTRACT LETTER

Date

NAME
Address

APPOINTMENT LETTER

We are pleased to offer you an appointment as a graduate medical education Level I trainee in the _____ **Residency Program** of the Saint Louis University School of Medicine for the period of **June 20, 2017 through June 30, 2018**. Any delay in beginning your training must have written prior approval by the Department Chairperson and the Associate Dean for Graduate Medical Education. The stipend for trainees assigned to the Saint Louis University Hospital will be as follows:

\$TBD- Gross Annual.

Minor differences in the stipend amount may occur during periods when trainees are assigned to certain of our affiliated teaching hospitals.

The appointment is contingent upon: (1) graduation from an approved School of Medicine or Osteopathy in the United States or Canada; or, if a graduate of an international medical school, certification that you have successfully completed the requirements of the Educational Commission for Foreign Medical Graduates and either (2) a permanent Missouri license to practice medicine and surgery in the State of Missouri, a permanent DEA license and a permanent Missouri Controlled Substance Registration number or (3) a temporary license to practice medicine and surgery in the State of Missouri and a temporary Missouri Controlled Substances registration number. In this instance, the Saint Louis University Hospital's DEA registration number may be used on a temporary basis. The Graduate Medical Education Office will assist you in processing number (3). Completed applications for number (3) must be received in the Graduate Medical Education Office no later than 12 weeks before your clinical training begins.

Various terms, conditions, benefits, and responsibilities that pertain generally to your appointment are described in the attached materials. Appointment to a Residency or Subspecialty Residency Training Program will not under any circumstances include restrictive covenants. Failure to maintain and furnish upon request approvals, records of all prior medical training, and licensures as described above shall be cause for immediate dismissal from the program.

Your appointment will be held open for twenty-one (21) days from the date of receipt of this letter, after which, in the absence of your acceptance, this offer will be no longer in effect. A copy of this letter is enclosed for your records.

Please complete, sign and return this letter indicating your acceptance or refusal of this appointment. For your convenience a pre-addressed return envelope is provided. It is a pleasure to welcome you into the graduate medical education program of the Saint Louis University School of Medicine. We wish you a most successful and satisfying educational experience.

Saint Louis University School of Medicine

Associate Dean for Graduate Medical Education

Program Director

Department Chairperson

I hereby ___ (accept) ___ (decline) the offer of an appointment as a graduate medical education trainee of the Saint Louis University School of Medicine. I have read and understood the terms, conditions, benefits, and responsibilities pertaining to the appointment, as set forth in the Appointment Letter, and Information Covering Graduate Medical Education Training Program at Saint Louis University School of Medicine, and agree to pursue my educational objectives in a manner consistent with the policies stated therein.

Signature – Resident

Date

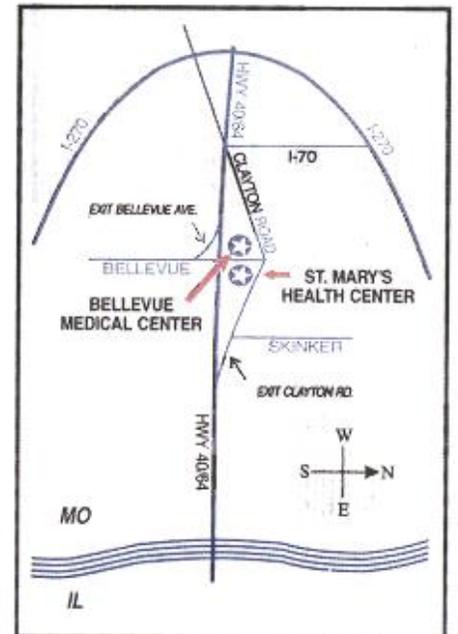
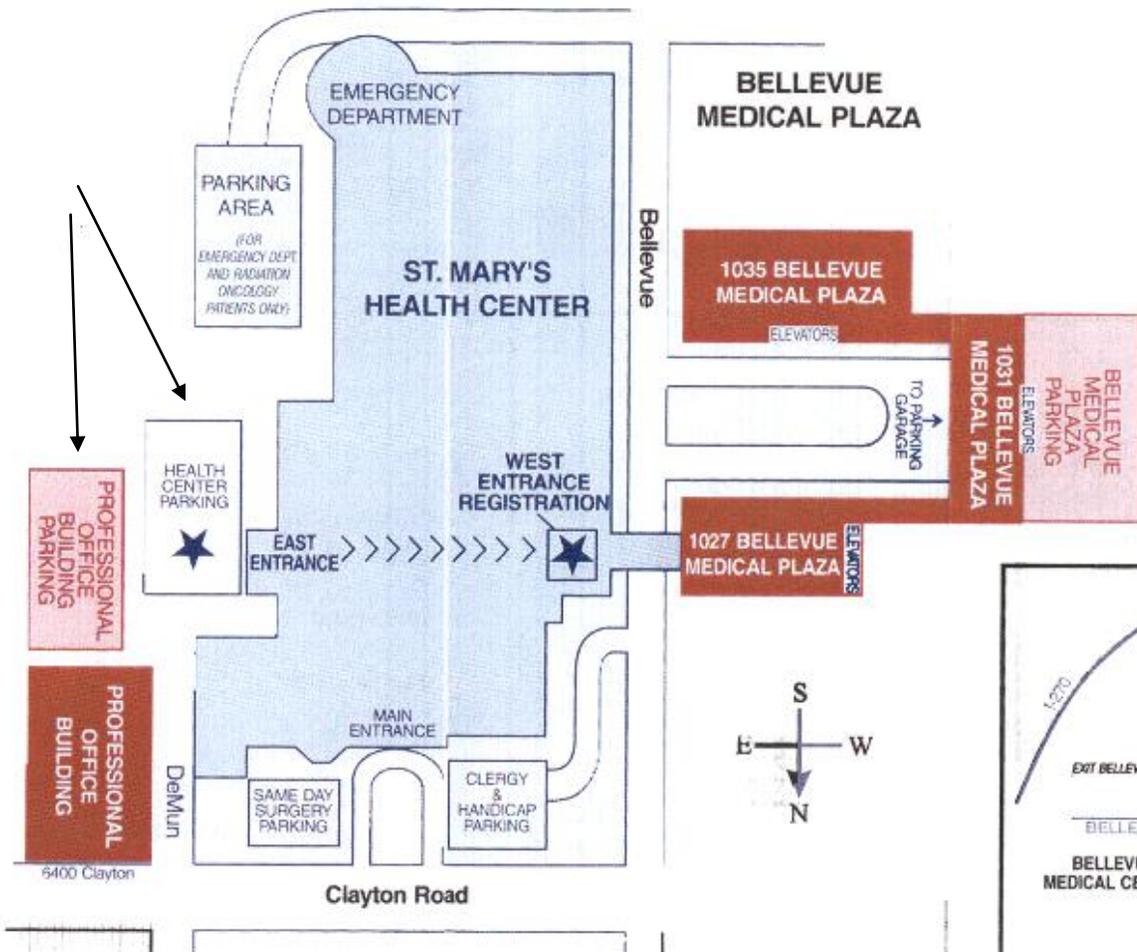
Directions from St. Louis Lambert International Airport to St. Mary's Health Center

Driving directions to 6420 Clayton Rd, St Louis, MO 63117 11.3 miles and about 17 minutes

1. Take the ramp to **I-70 E/St Louis** 0.2 mi
 2. Take exit **238A** for **Interstate 170 S** toward **Clayton** 0.8 mi
 3. Merge onto **I-170 S** 0.2 mi
 4. Take exit **1** on the left for **I-64 W/US-40 W** toward **Wentzville/St Louis** 0.4 mi
 5. Take exit **1A** on the left to merge onto **I-64 E/US-40 E** 7.1 mi
 6. Take exit **33B** for **Bellevue Avenue** 0.2 mi
 7. Keep right at the fork to continue toward **Bellevue Ave** 1.5 mi
 8. Turn left onto **Bellevue Ave** 0.2 mi
 9. Take the 3rd right onto **Clayton Rd** 0.1 mi
Destination will be on the right
- 6420 Clayton Rd 0.4 mi
St Louis, MO 63117

Note: If you are staying at the Cheshire Inn/Lodge, stay on Clayton just about 1/8 of a mile further and it will be on your right.

MAP OF ST. MARY'S HEALTH CENTER



Enter the main entrance of St. Mary's Health Center on DeMun Road. If parking, turn left into the Professional Office Building Parking or go straight into the Health Center Parking Garage. The skybridge from the garage is on the red level (1) and will lead to the 1st floor of the hospital. Go through the lobby, past the information desk to the first set of elevators on your right (public elevators 3A, 3B, or 3C) to the second floor. The Senior Education Specialist (Lori Gallini Hartig) will be waiting by the elevators to escort you to our meeting room. If she is not there, just wait a minute while she is escorting other applicants.

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