PROGRAMS OFFERED

The Department of Pathology and Laboratory Medicine offers flexible three to four-year training programs leading to Board certification in anatomic pathology, laboratory medicine, or combined anatomic pathology and laboratory medicine. These programs are individually tailored to be suitable for those individuals interested in an academic career in pathology, in the subspecialty practice of pathology, or in the practice of modern general pathology in the community. In addition, a training program in anatomic or clinical pathology combined with experimental pathology is available for those individuals who desire a career in scientific investigation. This track is geared towards individuals with significant experience in basic science research prior to residency. The core program in anatomic pathology consists of training in pediatric and adult autopsy pathology, pediatric and adult general surgical pathology, cytopathology, dermatopathology, gynecologic/perinatal pathology, hematology, neuropathology, forensics, and frozen section consultation. Within general surgical pathology, there is subspecialty sign out in breast pathology, genitourinary pathology, and gastrointestinal/liver pathology. Rotations in renal pathology, molecular hematology and informatics are also offered as electives. Other electives specifically geared toward graduated resident responsibilities include AP senior, Junior Attending (AP or CP), and Surgical Subspecialty Selective. Elective time for research is also a popular choice. The core training program in laboratory medicine consists of rotations in biochemistry, coagulation, cytogenetics, hematology, microbiology, serology, transfusion medicine, molecular pathology, virology and laboratory management. Electives in laboratory medicine include transfusion medicine cellular therapy and rotating at the New York Blood Center. The anatomic or clinical pathology/experimental pathology trainees complete the core training program in anatomic pathology in two years and spend the subsequent two years in full-time laboratory research. The research may be performed within the department, or with an appropriate preceptor within other departments of Weill Cornell Medicine, Rockefeller University or Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center. These unrivaled research opportunities combined with excellent financial support for the trainees make the experimental pathology training program one of the most attractive in the United States. All residents are encouraged to participate in research programs of the department and to present the results of their research at appropriate national meetings. The residents participate in numerous teaching conferences concerning anatomic pathology, laboratory medicine, and clinical and basic science research. In addition, residents are encouraged to participate in student teaching of pathology courses at Weill Cornell Medicine. All the residents receive training and instruction from a large full-time faculty devoted to the clinical practice of pathology, clinical and basic research and teaching.

TYPES AND NUMBERS OF APPOINTMENTS

There is a total of 34 pathology residency and fellowship positions at the present time.

FACILITIES

New York-Presbyterian Hospital (NYPH) is the major clinical affiliate and teaching hospital of Weill Cornell Medicine. The NYPH-Cornell Campus, an 862 bed facility, is centrally located in a highly sophisticated medical community surrounded by the Hospital for Special Surgery, Memorial-Sloan Kettering Cancer Center and the Rockefeller University. The number of specimens annually are as follows: autopsies, 105,400; frozen sections, 2,441; cytopathology specimens, 53,480; laboratory procedures, 17,757,964.

COMMUNITY

The Medical Center is located in a beautiful residential neighborhood along the East River in Manhattan within walking distance of Central Park and the midtown entertainment and shopping areas. The major museums, concert halls and opera house are nearby.

STIPENDS AND MAINTENANCE

In 2016-2017, first-year residents receive $62,399 per year. Apartments are available for single and married house staff in NYPH maintained apartment buildings adjacent to the Medical Center. All residents are covered under New York Presbyterian Hospital benefits program, which includes professional liability insurance and hospitalization.

STAFF

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APPLICATIONS

Application details can be found on the departmental website.

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