Master of Clinical Anatomy, MCA

Academic Plans

Sample Plan of Study

Sample plans represent one way to complete a program of study. Actual course selection and sequence will vary and should be discussed with an academic advisor. For additional sample plans, see MyUI.

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Course	Title	Hours
Academic Career		
Any Semester		
32 s.h. must be graduate level coursework; graduate transfer credits allowed upon approval. More information is included in the General Catalog and on department website. [a]		
Students must maintain a GPA of at least 3.00.		
	Hours	**0**
First Year		
Fall		
ACB:5203	Gross Human Anatomy for Graduate Students	5
ACB:5210	General Histology Online	4
ACB:7001	Teaching and Learning in the Anatomical Sciences	2
ACB:7002	Seminar in Anatomical Sciences [b]	1
	Hours	**12**
Spring		
ACB:6252	Functional Neuroanatomy	4
ACB:7020	Human Embryology Online	2
ACB:7500	Case-Based Learning 1	2
ACB:7002	Seminar in Anatomical Sciences [b]	1
	Hours	**9**
Summer		
Elective course [c]		1 - 4
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	Hours	**2-8**
Second Year		
Fall		
ACB:7010	Anatomy Through Imaging	2
ACB:7600	Case-Based Learning 2	2
Elective course (if needed) [c]		1 - 4
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Exam: Master's Final Exam [d]		
	Hours	**6-12**
	Total Hours	**29-41**

a Students must complete specific requirements in the University of Iowa Graduate College after program admission. Refer to the Graduate College website and the Manual of Rules and Regulations for more information.

b Taken twice for 1 s.h. each.

c Students select at least 7 s.h. in elective coursework. See the General Catalog for list of approved courses.

d This is the final formal examination that students are required to pass in order to graduate from the MCA program. The exam is held in the fall semester of the second year and is comprised of a series of hands-on/interactive, case-based assessment tasks that take place across multiple stations. Each station intentionally tests the critical thinking, problem-solving, and analytical skills developed by students during the MCA program while allowing them to demonstrate graduate-level expertise in the anatomical sciences by integrating content knowledge from each of the foundational areas studied during the program: gross anatomy, histology, neuroanatomy, embryology, and anatomical imaging.