Rural Stream



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The medical programme offers a Rural Stream to students interested in rural medicine. Rural stream students are placed together for small group activities rural identity is fostered and clinical and professional development supported

The groups collegiality is enhanced with additional rural based activities, tutorials, and early clinical exposure.

"The placements and hands-on experiences this course provided were incredible for integrating my learning into a clinical context and helped me see the bigger picture of why we are learning the things we are."

- Monthly tutorials giving clinical context to formal learning with a rural lens from generalists and specialists
- Early clinical experience with weekend shifts in a rural hospital
- Opportunities to shadow rural GPs
- Weekend excursions to, rural marae, farm stay, rural GPs, rural community events, and wilderness experiences
- Development of mentor relationships
- Rural research and leadership support
- Individual pastoral care offered
- Selective and elective arrangement support
- Velocity innovation workshop

- GP run placement in home region
- Preferential allocation for non-Auckland based training during clinical years

"I found the additional practical experiences that we got in this stream added so much insight and context to what I was learning in theory this year. I don't think I would have been as motivated as I am to study and understand what I am learning if it weren't for this group."

Details

- No cost to activities
- Travel and accommodation expenses reimbursed
- Limited places
- Interview based selection process
- Open to all students interested in rural medicine although priority given to rural origin students
- Students are expected to commit to the experiences offered
- Applicants should intend on spending at least two of their three clinical years in non -Auckland locations
- Contribution to cohort direction, activities and collegiality is encouraged

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