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The Medical University of Graz offers physicians and students from around the world the opportunity to observe our physicians when they are engaged in clinical work. This medical training or medical elective provides insight into the day-to-day responsibilities of our doctors in their respective specialties. Each participant of the observership (no hands-on) will be matched with a faculty member who will serve as their mentor during the observership.

It is the goal of the observership to give an insight into the Austrian medical system as well as to provide a clinical experience by observing our doctors. Depending on the different departments, the medical training will allow observers to:
- experience new techniques and treatments
- have discussions with responsible physicians
- observe surgeries and other invasive interventions
- get to know best-practice methods at a high medical level

Medical training at a global university in the heart of Europe
- Med Uni Graz is a young university with a long-standing tradition; the university became an independent university in 2004; formerly it was the Faculty of Medicine of the University of Graz, est. 1863.
- The university hospital has 1,600 beds and cares for around 410,000 outpatients and around 93,000 inpatients each year.
- Graz is the second-largest city in Austria, located 200 kilometers south of the capital Vienna.
- The old town that has been nominated as a UNESCO World Heritage site and was the Cultural Capital of Europe in 2003.
- Numerous Universities/Universities of Applied Sciences contribute to a large student population and a lively atmosphere.

Building up international professional and personal links
Each participant of the observership program will be matched with a faculty member from the Medical University of Graz, who will serve as their mentor. Observers will have the chance to form valuable professional and personal relationships with our physicians.

Liability
For liability reasons the university hospital cannot permit participants to be actively involved in patient care. Observers will sign a guest student/scientist agreement at the university.

Specialty Observerships for Doctors
Selected departments offer specialty observerships, which allow for an intensive observership experience and training in special techniques.

Services provided
- placement at a department of the university hospital
- official letter of invitation (for entry visa application)
- comprehensive Welcome Guide
- assistance in finding suitable accommodation
- assistance with administrative matters
- Intercultural Get-Togethers
- guided city tour
- certificate of completion from the Medical University of Graz

Language
Knowledge of German is an advantage, but not mandatory. Doctors speak to the patients in German, but the supervisors will translate important information to the observers into English. Please be advised that not everything in the clinical routine can be translated and that the well-being and comfort of our patients is our priority.

Insurance
Observers are responsible for their own travel insurance.

Fees
Different fees apply for students/doctors. Scholarships may be awarded to students/doctors. Please contact the International Office for the pricing scheme.

Website
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