



California School of Podiatric Medicine  
**4<sup>th</sup> YEAR GENERAL SURGERY**  
**GOALS AND OBJECTIVES**

SAMUEL MERRITT COLLEGE

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**Goals**

To gain familiarity with the principles and techniques of general surgery.

To increase competency in the management of patients with complex medical problems.

**Objectives**

Perform and present a minimum of 20 general surgical pre-operative history and physical examinations.

Scrub and assist in a minimum of 10 general surgeries.

Demonstrate proper tissue handling and suturing.

Perform all expected functions on the surgery team: rounding on patients, taking call, writing orders, progress notes and discharge summaries, obtaining consultations, and participating in grand rounds.

Research and discuss the common general surgical procedures, including, but not limited to appendectomy, hernia repair, colon resection, laproscopic cholecystectomy.