



California School of Podiatric Medicine

4th YEAR ORTHOPEDIC SURGERY GOALS AND OBJECTIVES

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Goals

To gain competency in the diagnosis and management of common orthopedic problems.

To gain competency as an active member of an orthopedic surgery service.

Objectives

Demonstrate appropriate operating room protocol and sterile technique.

Review and present a minimum of 20 surgical cases, including correlation of clinical and radiographic findings.

Perform and present a minimum of 5 complete pre-operative patient history and physical examinations.

Perform at least 2 surgical wound closures, demonstrating proper tissue handling and suturing technique.

Demonstrate proper retraction technique in a minimum of 5 cases.

Review and discuss fixation techniques for a minimum of 10 different cases, including technique and indications/contraindications.

Participate in all educational presentations and conferences.

Participate in the total care of all orthopedic surgery patients during the rotation period.

Research and discuss common orthopedic surgical procedures, including, but not limited to total hip replacement, ORIF of the hip, total knee replacement, arthroscopy, ORIF of ankle fractures.