Welcome to the Ophthalmology Elective. This curriculum is designed to introduce you to the specialty of ophthalmology, which involves the recognition, diagnosis, and management of diseases of the eye. Students will work in the outpatient setting seeing patients at the University Eye Institute. Students will participate in didactic sessions each week. During this 2 week elective, students will become familiar with the screening eye examination, learn to perform a more comprehensive ocular examination, learn about common ocular abnormalities and treatments, and become familiar with the common ophthalmic instruments.

Credit Hours: 2
Prerequisites: successful completion of the first two years of medical school

The medical student will be exposed to the full spectrum of medical and surgical ophthalmology. The medical student will work alongside Ophthalmology attendings, fellows, and residents in outpatient clinics and in the operating room. The medical student will take histories and perform ocular examinations in an outpatient setting. The medical student will observe inpatient consultations and operating room procedures.

Credit Hours: 5
Prerequisites: Successful completion of 5 of the 7 core clerkships