

It is my pleasure to welcome you to the Department of Emergency Medicine. Founded in 1837, Albany Medical College is one of the nation's oldest medical schools and enjoys the benefits of an established role in the community with a wide network of alumni around the world, while continuing to adopt new practices in health care and education to stay on the leading edge in today's modern world. Emergency Medicine has had full departmental status since 1985; our residency program was established in 1988 and has a longstanding and proud tradition of educational and scholarly achievement. Some highlights of our program include:

Our Faculty

More than half of our faculty are fellowship trained in subspecialties, including toxicology, research, critical care medicine, acute resuscitation, pediatric emergency medicine, emergency medical services, ultrasound, administration, simulation, and sports medicine. We have one of the largest emergency medicine-critical care groups in the U.S., with dual faculty appointments in surgical and medical critical care. Our faculty are also active on the international front, having worked or taught in China, Romania, Haiti, Iraq, Qatar, Peru, New Zealand, Antarctica, the Arctic, and various countries in sub-Saharan Africa.

Our Facilities

Albany Medical Center has a high acuity [Emergency Department](#) offering a robust clinical environment for the training of tomorrow's emergency medicine physicians. We have the region's only Level 1 Trauma Center and the region's only [Pediatric Emergency Department](#). We have 24/7 social work coverage, dedicated respiratory therapists, and experienced trauma nurses. Our [Patient Safety and Clinical Competency Center](#) provides a safe and controlled environment for simulation-based training.

Our Curriculum

Our faculty and residents are constantly evaluating, adjusting, and reassessing our curriculum as part of a continuous quality improvement process. Resident input is incorporated at every level. Our curriculum includes pediatric exposure on a longitudinal basis throughout all three years of residency, integrated ultrasound including point of care echocardiography, and critical care incorporated into ED shifts side-by-side with emergency medicine-critical care attendings in addition to "upstairs" rotations. Residents also participate in a monthly cadaver lab and in simulations customized for all levels of emergency medicine trainees. Our longitudinal EMS curriculum includes medical control, education, and event coverage. Our community service programs include pipeline programs for students traditionally underrepresented in medicine, camps for kids with complex medical needs, and support of various community organizations promoting health and wellbeing.

Our Culture

Our supportive culture is based on our core values:

- Academic and clinical excellence
- Kindness, goodness, compassion, and caring
- Diversity, equity, and inclusivity for all
- Integrity, innovation, tenacity, resilience, and grit

I hope you find your visit to these pages to be useful and informative. Be well.

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