

Full Scope Rural Medicine Small Practice Externship Experience

The Full-Scope Rural Medicine Externship is designed for medical students passionate about rural health disparities and/or a career in full-scope family medicine with maternity care. The extern will spend four days a week shadowing Dr. Kristina Dakis in her rural full-spectrum family medicine clinic. Goals can be tailored to the extern with an emphasis on expanding clinical knowledge and skills. Externs will also join Dr. Dakis at the local hospital for vaginal and cesarean deliveries. There will be opportunities to assist in deliveries including in surgery. The externship experience includes exposure to high-risk obstetrics patients, addiction medicine, comprehensive pediatric care, breastfeeding medicine, and LGBTQ care. Extern will learn about the local community, the specific needs of rural residents, and the family physician's role in community advocacy

Dates, hours and expectations

This externship must cover four total weeks - with flexible scheduling by agreement with the selected student and preceptor Kristina Dakis, MD. Starting date could be July 15. The day to day schedule will be set by Dr. Dakis before the externship begins. Extern will be encouraged to join an [IAFP Member Interest group](#) with Dr. Dakis, such as Health Equity or Reproductive Health.

Location

This externship is [Family Health Center of Gibson City](#) location with lead preceptor Dr. Dakis and will also include visits to the [Gibson Health of Hoopeston Clinic](#)

, Gibson Area Hospital and other possibilities as set by the interests of the selected student. We encourage you to learn more about the clinic before you apply, using the link to FHC of Gibson City above. Housing will be provided for the selected student. It is highly recommended that the student have their own car to maximize the flexibility of scheduling, participation in deliveries and other clinic opportunities.