# Carver College of Medicine - MD Distinction Tracks

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| **Global Health** | Robin Paetzold, MBA  
Director, Global Health Programs  
robin-paetzold@uiowa.edu | Must take required Global Health class beginning Fall of M1 year. | Talk with Global Health Programs Director during M2 year. |
| **Healthcare Delivery Science, Management and Policy (HDSMP)** | Hugh Hansen, MS  
Associate Director for Clinical Curriculum  
hugh-hansen@uiowa.edu  
Alan Reed, MD, MBA  
Professor of Surgery-Transplantation and Hepatobiliary Surgery | Submit Application Spring of M1 year; dual degree students must apply and be admitted to the track at least 3 years prior to graduation. Mentor approved Capstone Project proposal due May 31st of M3 year | A mandatory informational meeting occurs in the Spring semester of M1 year with an application sent to attendees. Accepted students enter the track in late Spring of M1 year. Approximately 24 students from each M1 class will be accepted. |
| **Humanities** | Cate Dicharry, MFA  
Director, Writing and Humanities Program  
cate-dicharry@uiowa.edu  
Brittany Bettendorf, MD  
Clinical Assistant Professor, Internal Medicine | Express interest by end of M1 year.  
Apply by December 31 of M2 year. | Complete application that outlines the research study, scholarly project, or creative work they intend to pursue. |
| **Research** | Robert Roghair, MD  
Professor of Pediatrics  
Director of Medical Student Research Program  
robert-roghair@uiowa.edu  
Erin Mullins, MA  
Special Programs Coordinator  
Medical Student Research Program  
erin-mullins@uiowa.edu | May 28th of M2 year  
Application Reviews  
1. prior to initial acceptance  
2. pre-MSPE  
3. prior to graduation | Submit an online initial application to create the RDT portfolio  
Completion of a minimum of 10 wks. full time research  
Mentor must write and submit a nomination letter Students must apply with cohort in May of M2 year  
Medical Student Research Council reviews materials for all applicants to determine acceptance |
| **Service** | Samantha Ziemba, MEd  
Curriculum Manager, M1/PA1 Spring  
samantha-ziemba@uiowa.edu | Submit Application – By end of M1 year  
Identify Mentor – By end of M2 year  
Capstone Project Proposal – July 15th of M3 year  
Capstone Paper – March 1st of M4 year  
Capstone Project Presentation – Fall or Spring of M4 year (One fall and one spring date will be determined by director) | Complete online application and meet with Program Director to discuss goals/plans for track. |
| **Teaching** | Carrie Bernat, MA, MSW  
Associate Director for Pre-Clinical Curriculum  
carrie-bernat@uiowa.edu  
Billie Ruden, MAed, MME  
Curriculum Manager, M2/PA2 Fall  
billie-ruden@uiowa.edu | December 1st of M2 year  
Dual degree students have a one year extension | In collaboration with a mentor, students develop a learning contract that meets all TDT requirements. Students must submit an updated learning contract that demonstrates satisfactory progress by the end of their M3 year in order to continue the track. |