Surgery-general programs with the most residency positions

FREIDA™ 2021 data

In 2021, FREIDA™ users tallied more than 8.5 million views of medical residency programs. With this list of surgery general residencies, we draw from the 3,056 first-year positions for surgery-general and reveal which residency programs offer the most positions.

Rankings are based on FREIDA™ data updated as of Jan. 1-Dec. 31, 2021. FREIDA™, the AMA Residency & Fellowship Database®, allows medical students to search for a residency or fellowship from more than 12,000 programs—all accredited by the Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education.

Specialty description

General surgery is a diverse specialty that is both the foundation for many surgical subspecialties and a distinct field in and unto itself. A fully trained general surgeon possesses the knowledge and ability to intervene on a variety of surgical issues across the life span, from the child with pyloric stenosis, to the victim of a gunshot wound to the chest, to the elderly patient with a recently diagnosed melanoma of the leg. Key characteristics of a sound general surgeon will include having broad understanding of anatomy and physiology paired with the technical skill to carry out appropriately selected procedures. This combination, while challenging to master, provides general surgeons with unparalleled opportunities to cure and palliate the ill, injured and suffering.

Surgery-general programs with the most first-year positions (including preliminary positions)

1. Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai Program – 48 positions

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2. Vanderbilt University Medical Center Program – 36 positions
3. Montefiore Medical Center/Albert Einstein College of Medicine Program – 34 positions
4. Zucker School of Medicine at Hofstra/Northwell Program – 34 positions
5. University of Colorado Program – 29 positions
6. Baylor College of Medicine Program – 29 positions
7. University of Texas Southwestern Medical School Program – 28 positions
8. University of California (San Francisco) Program – 27 positions
9. University of California Davis Health Program – 26 positions
10. University of Kentucky College of Medicine – 26 positions