

THE IDAHO TRACK

What is it?

The Idaho Track is a unique program of the University of Washington School of Medicine. Students who apply for and are accepted to the Idaho Track will complete five or more of the required third-year clerkships in Idaho. To be considered an Idaho Tracker in the fourth-year students will complete all of their required clerkships in Idaho.



What Students Say About the Idaho Track!

- Lifestyle
- Family Friendly
- Settling in a Community for Two Years
- One-on-One Time with Faculty
- Professional Learning Atmosphere
- Community Involvement
- Excellent Award Winning Physician Teachers
- UWSOM Idaho WWAMI Deans Office
- Individual and Frequent Student Support Services
- Weekly Student Discussions on Interesting Topics
- Exposure to Graduate Medical Education
- Competitive GME Applicants
- Outdoor Recreation

Student Testimonials

"I have really had a great time on the Idaho Track. It is an incredible, supportive program you all have put together and run. In comparing to the experiences of my colleagues in Seattle and around WWAMI-land, it is clearly unparalleled." *IT Student*

"The Idaho Track experience was second to none. It was wonderful to be in a place where everyone knows your name, staff is helpful and accessible, and you didn't have to fight with residents to do procedures, help out in the OR, etc. Boise is a wonderful place to live. I biked to most hospitals and clinics, lived near downtown for a fun night life, and were just minutes away from boating, mountain biking, rock climbing, skiing, etc." *IT Student*

Lifestyle

Living costs are lower in Idaho than in Seattle. Convenient, friendly, and affordable housing is available in the East and North ends of Boise. City parking is also both affordable and accessible. Boise offers a greenbelt path along the Boise River, hiking and biking paths in the foothills, art festivals, jazz festivals, Saturday Market, weekly Alive-After-Five, and monthly First Thursdays. Cross-country and downhill skiing, water sports, and college functions are all in close proximity.

Family Friendly

Living in a smaller community provides opportunity for spouse groups, family groups, UWSOM sponsored activities, and personal interest and involvement in the community. Students and their families are welcome to join the local Graduate Medical Education activities including basketball, softball, river rafting, book clubs, etc.

Educational Experience

Students often find themselves working one-on-one with their faculty physician. Students receive more educational opportunities at a higher level to become involved in patient care. Participating Idaho physician educators are of the highest quality and have clinical faculty appointments within the appropriate departments at the University of Washington School of Medicine. The informal teaching atmosphere adds to the friendly professional experience.

Community Involvement

Students can volunteer at the Garden City Community Clinic or Friendship Clinic and are invited to participate in a variety of community outreach activities. Students may interact on occasion with Idaho state legislators and lawmakers. Additionally, professional medical organization meetings are available, at both state and national levels.

UWSOM Idaho WWAMI Deans Office

Students have easy access to the Regional Clinical Dean's office located in downtown Boise. The Regional Clinical Dean works in conjunction with the UWSOM Departmental Clerkship Directors to oversee the clinical experiences while students are in Idaho. Regular one-on-one and group discussions are arranged. Support services include weekly student camaraderie opportunities, career decision discussions, local mentor matching, residency selection and application discussions, and more. An Idaho Track Student Coordinator is located at the Boise Veterans Affairs Medical Center as a resource to students.

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ALL Third-Year Clerkship Requirements Available

BOISE	Family Medicine	Medicine (in and outpatient)
	Obstetrics/Gynecology	Pediatrics
	Psychiatry	Surgery
	Surgery	
MERIDIAN	Obstetrics/Gynecology	
POCATELLO	Family Medicine	Pediatrics
SANDPOINT	Obstetrics/Gynecology	

ALL Fourth-Year Clerkship Requirements Available

BOISE	Chronic Care	Emergency Medicine
	Neurology	Surgery Selectives
	Menu of Electives	
COEUR d'ALENE	Neurology	Surgery Sub-I
IDAHO FALLS	Neurology	

How do I sign up for the Idaho Track?

Officially sign up for the Idaho Track during the fall of the second-year, visit this link <http://staff.washington.edu/angwick/Clerkship/WWAMI%20State%20TRACK%20Options.htm> for **TRACK INFORMATION** and **APPLICATION**:

To learn more about the Idaho Track or ask questions, please contact: Idaho WWAMI Medical Education Program

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**THIRD-YEAR
ALL REQUIRED CLERKSHIPS**

**FOURTH-YEAR
ALL REQUIRED EXPERIENCES**

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