

**Arthritis/Rheumatic Disease Consult
Sacred Heart Medical Center – Eugene/Springfield**

Course No.: ARTH 709H

Duration: 4 weeks

Credits: 6

Term: Any

Prereq: IMED 720

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Students are expected to learn diagnosis/therapy of common rheumatic disorders, interpretation of lab tests and musculoskeletal x-rays, and simple procedures such as joint injections. Problems commonly seen include osteoarthritis, rheumatoid arthritis, systemic lupus erythematosus, osteoporosis, gout, bursitis, vasculitis and fibromyalgia. Students participate in approximately five outpatient clinics per week averaging 1-2 new patients each clinic or 4-5 return patients. No call responsibilities. Students assist and possibly perform joint aspiration/injection, tendon injections, and bursa injections. Conferences include medical Grand Rounds at Sacred Heart Medical Center, Rheumatology journal club, and daily tutorials based on assigned reading.