RESEARCH DISTINCTION TRACK

CURRICULUM

FLORIDA ATLANTIC UNIVERSITY
Schmidt College of Medicine

Year ONE

AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL
Orientation **RDT Introduction**	**Information Session** on UCSF British Medical Journal (BMJ) online course & RDT	**Complete** online CITI RCR Training	**Request** support for UCSF BMJ online course*	**Begin** prerequisite UCSF BMJ online course*	**Facilitated exploration** of current research opportunities, research faculty/mentors, and identifying a primary research mentor				**Begin** summer mentored research opportunity*	**Summer Mentored Research Project***	
					Apply for summer research opportunity*					**Begin** attending research seminars, lab meetings*	

Year TWO

Complete prerequisite UCSF BMJ online modules*	**Application due for the RDT;** Acceptance/ Rejection Notification in February	**Initiate** required UCSF BMJ modules for RDT students
Confirm primary research mentor; **Complete** Independent Research Plan (IRP)*		**Initiate** IRP and any other mentored research projects with research mentor
Continue mentored research project*		
Continue participation in research seminars and mentor/lab-specific meetings, journal clubs, and conferences*		**Required** participation in research seminars and research mentor/lab-specific meetings, journal clubs, and conferences

Year THREE

Complete required UCSF BMJ modules for RDT students	**Midpoint Review due:** Notification in February	**Begin** manuscript/submission to journal with research mentor
Continue IRP with research mentor		**Continue** IRP with research mentor
Continue participation in research seminars and mentor/lab-specific meetings, journal clubs, and conferences		**Continue** participation in research seminars and mentor/lab-specific meetings, journal clubs, and conferences

Year FOUR

Manuscript preparation/submission to journal with research mentor	**Graduation Review due;** Notification in February	**Complete** any outstanding MRSC requirements	**Graduation**
Continue participation in research seminars and mentor/lab-specific meetings, journal clubs, and conferences			

*** Prerequisite for students interested in Research Distinction Track (RDT)**