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Dear MS3 Students,

At this time we are not allowing visiting students to rotate at UW Medicine sites, nor are we allowing UWSOM students to rotate at away institutions. This decision has been made after careful deliberation and consultation with UWSOM medical education leadership (Dr. Paul Ramsey and Dr. Suzanne Allen) and other medical schools and medical specialties that typically require away rotations for application. This is also consistent with recommendations from the [AAMC](#).

Our hope is that students will be able to participate in away rotations prior to applying for residency, but a precise time frame is currently unknown.

I know this might be disappointing news for some students. Please know we are doing everything possible to ensure our students have the ability to graduate on time, so we are still allowing students to travel to UWSOM rotations within the WWAMI region at the current time. We feel that we can continue to provide students with rotations that fulfill the educational objectives required for graduation within our WWAMI states. We are reviewing this decision frequently as we weigh the safety of our patients, the community, and our students.

Please contact [me](#) with any questions, and do take care of yourselves.

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