



# Undergraduate Medical Education Elective

Pediatric Rheumatology			
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Site
Montreal Children’s Hospital
Elective Duration
4 weeks
Educational Objectives
<p>At the end of a rotation in pediatric rheumatology, the medical student is able to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. To acquire the basic skills of history taking and physical examination as they relate to the patient with a rheumatic problem.</li> <li>2. To learn how to conduct a complete musculoskeletal and joint examination.</li> <li>3. To learn how to distinguish joints that are actively inflamed from those that are not.</li> <li>4. To learn how to acquire relevant information from patients with multi-system disease and to synthesize this information for ease of presentation.</li> <li>5. To become familiar with the different types of chronic arthritis of childhood and to learn how such cases are managed, with a particular emphasis on pharmacology.</li> <li>6. To become familiar with the different connective tissue diseases and to learn about their unique presentation in childhood.</li> <li>7. To become very familiar with Kawasaki Disease – Its presentation, diagnosis, complications, etiopathogenesis and treatment.</li> </ol>



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8. To learn how to manage the child who presents with acute arthralgias/arthritis with a particular emphasis on identifying bone and joint septic processes.
9. To develop an understanding of musculoskeletal pain syndromes and their unique presentation and management in children.

### Prerequisites

Completion of rotation in General Pediatrics

### Scope of Work

1. The medical student's primary responsibility is to all patients he/she sees during the rotation, both inpatient and outpatient.
2. Attendance at all clinics, multidisciplinary team meetings, rounds and academic activities is a requirement of the rotation.
3. The medical student is responsible for undertaking a presentation on a topic of interest at some point during the rotation.

### Recommended Reading/Preparation

A binder with selected articles on pediatric rheumatology topics will be given to the medical student at the beginning of the rotation.



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