

# SURGERY

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**Which clerkships are required for students to match into this specialty?**

General Surgery

**At what point in the interview season should a student consider applying to more residency programs in your specialty?**

Right away

**At what point should a student consider applying to a back-up specialty?**

If they don't get more than 12 interviews

**Recognizing that it can vary from year to year, when is the typical interview season for this specialty nationally?**

November to January

**Do you have any additional recommendations for students who are committed to matching in this specialty?**

None provided

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	Extremely important	Very important	Moderately important	Slightly important	Not at all important
Achieving "Honors" in this specialty's clerkship rotation		*			
Completing a preceptorship in this specialty			*		
Completing an active internship and electives in this specialty	*				
Completing an away rotation in this specialty					*
Completing a research project in this specialty				*	
Completing a research project in any specialty		*			
Having a published abstract or poster presentation		*			
Having at least one published paper in a peer reviewed journal		*			
Having a Step 1 USMLE score above 230		*			
Having a Step 2 USMLE score before ERAS submission			*		
1 letter of recommendation from a physician in this specialty	*				
3 letters of recommendation from physicians in this specialty	*				
1 letter of recommendation from a research mentor				*	
1 letter of recommendation from a department chair in this specialty	*				
Participation in community services			*		
Service in a leadership role			*		