PATHOLOGY

Course Name
Pathology
Q2: Location
Jefferson
Q3: How many hours per week were you on duty?
30
Q4: Call Schedule
None
Q5: Were there any required assignments
One PowerPoint
Q6: Were you able to attend interviews? How many days off?
Yes as many days off as needed.
Q7: Did you get a letter of recommendation
Respondent skipped this question
Q8: How would you rate your experience? Poor/Fair/Good/Very Good
Good
Q9: How would you rate the difficulty of the elective? Easy/Average/Difficult
Easy
Q10: Other comments, suggestions, tips
This is a good class for December or January to meet you basic science requirement and have as many days as needed for interviews. The downside is it's pretty boring. You're done by 2 most days and come in between 8-10 so the hours are pretty good!

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30
Q4: Call Schedule
None
Q5: Were there any required assignments
10 minute powerpoint presentation to faculty
Q6: Were you able to attend interviews? How many days off?
Yes, I missed 7 days total without any complaints from the department.
Q7: Did you get a letter of recommendation
Respondent skipped this question
Q8: How would you rate your experience? Poor/Fair/Good/Very Good
Very Good
Q9: How would you rate the difficulty of the elective? Easy/Average/Difficult
Extremely easy
Q10: Other comments, suggestions, tips
An excellent rotation during interview season. The rotation itself is what you make of it. You can learn a lot if you want to but you can also basically have the month off.
Course Name
Pathology
Q2: Location
Jefferson
Q3: How many hours per week were you on duty?
20-25
Q4: Call Schedule
none
Q5: Were there any required assignments
yes, a presentation and a slide packet
Q6: Were you able to attend interviews? How many days off?
yes, 4
Q7: Did you get a letter of recommendation
no
Q8: How would you rate your experience? Poor/Fair/Good/Very Good
fair
Q9: How would you rate the difficulty of the elective? Easy/Average/Difficult
easy
Q10: Other comments, suggestions, tips
Very flexible with hours. Good rotation if you have a ton of interviews or personal stuff to take care of. I would recommend requesting a week in the blood bank, that was probably the best teaching I had during my month.

Course Name
Ocular Pathology
Q2: Location
Wills Eye Hospital
Q3: How many hours per week were you on duty?
50
Q4: Call Schedule
None
Q5: Were there any required assignments
No
Q6: Were you able to attend interviews? How many days off?
Did not attend interviews during time
Q7: Did you get a letter of recommendation
Yes
Q8: How would you rate your experience? Poor/Fair/Good/Very Good
Very good
Q9: How would you rate the difficulty of the elective? Easy/Average/Difficult
Difficult
Q10: Other comments, suggestions, tips
This is a great rotation for students going into ophthalmology. Dr. Eagle provides a CD with the pathology images, 4 boxes of slides (about 40-50 per box), and binders with explanations for the slides. You are responsible for all of the materials, and there is a final exam at the end. Dr. Eagle is amazing, and his letter carries a lot of weight on the interview trail. It's a lot of work but very fun and you learn a ton.
Course Name
Dermatopathology
Q2: Location
Jefferson
Q3: How many hours per week were you on duty?
40-50
Q4: Call Schedule
none
Q5: Were there any required assignments
Yes, a lot of reading and outside studying as well as a presentation at the end of the rotation.
Q6: Were you able to attend interviews? How many days off?
It was in July, but I took a day off for step 3
Q7: Did you get a letter of recommendation
Yes
Q8: How would you rate your experience? Poor/Fair/Good/Very Good
Very Good
Q9: How would you rate the difficulty of the elective? Easy/Average/Difficult
Average
Q10: Other comments, suggestions, tips
This rotation was not hard with regards to hours spent in the office, but it was very difficult with regards to course material. We do not learn very much dermatology or pathology during the first 2 years of medical school, so I really had to do a lot of studying and reading to keep up. I definitely recommend it for anyone interested in dermatology as it helps a lot in clinic as well as in residency!

Course Name
Dermatopathology
Q2: Location
Jefferson
Q3: How many hours per week were you on duty?
40
Q4: Call Schedule
None
Q5: Were there any required assignments
One presentation
Q6: Were you able to attend interviews? How many days off?
Respondent skipped this question
Q7: Did you get a letter of recommendation
Yes
Q8: How would you rate your experience? Poor/Fair/Good/Very Good
Good
Q9: How would you rate the difficulty of the elective? Easy/Average/Difficult
Average
Q10: Other comments, suggestions, tips
Hours were good. There was a lot of basic science and a test at the end. The material was difficult but useful.