

MEDICAL HUMANITIES SYMPOSIUM SATURDAY JAN 21, 2017 * DESCRIPTION

We are pleased to announce an upcoming medical humanities symposium, titled “Growing Into the White Coat: Humanities and Arts-Based Skills to Enhance the Medical Student Experience.” The date is Saturday Jan 21, 2017. This will be an all-day event. The intended audience are UCI medical students. UCI residents and students from other local medical schools are also very welcome.

The goal of this symposium is to show medical students (and residents) the potential of the humanities and arts to develop critical thinking, empathic perspective-taking, and applied clinical skills, such as listening, seeing, acting, and reflecting. The focus is on the medical student experience, although the workshops will offer value to residents as well.

Rather than a series of lectures, we have organized interactive, experiential, skill-building workshops accommodating a relatively small number of participants with an emphasis on the applied, clinical, and practical aspects of humanities and arts. Since participants will only be able to attend 3 of the 12 workshops, we will foster continuity by having two student-led debriefing sessions in which workshop participants share their experiences with the group as a whole.