

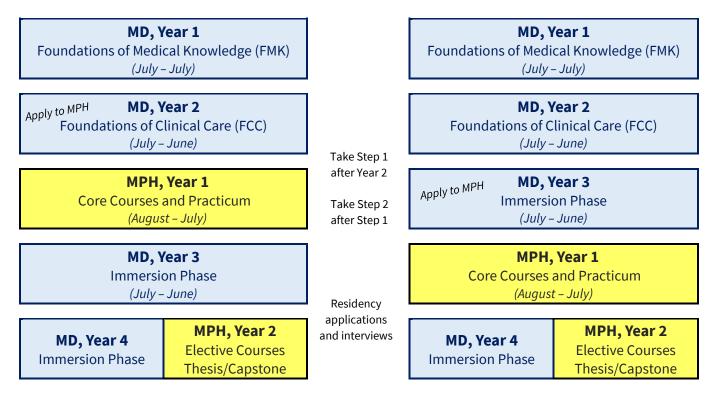
# MD/MPH Dual Degree Program Two Example Options

# **OPTION 1**

- Submit application to MPH program in SOPHAS during fall of **second** year in MD program (VMS II)
- Begin year of MPH course work after **second** year in MD program (VMS II)

## **OPTION 2**

- Submit application to MPH program in SOPHAS during fall of *third* year in MD program (VMS II)
- Begin year of MPH course work after *third* year in MD program (VMS II)



Note: these are examples and modifications are possible on a case-by-case basis.

### **Benefits of Option 1**

- Earlier start on research, more likely to publish in time to make residency application more competitive
- Design subsequent MD immersion curriculum with MPH knowledge and skills
- Can use third and fourth years of MD program to complete remaining MPH requirements

## **Benefits of Option 2**

- Additional year to prepare competitive application to the MPH program
- Ability to schedule Step 2 directly following Step 1
- Potential to get head start on MPH course work during third year of MD program

## **MD/MPH Tuition**

The MD/MPH dual degree program provides a cost-effective option for those interested in earning both degrees. Students are charged three full years of MD Program tuition and one year of MPH Program tuition. For their fifth year, they are charged half a year of MD Program tuition and half a year of MPH Program tuition.

#### **MD/MPH Option 1**

VUSM Year	Primary Degree Program		Tuition
1	MD		MD Year 1
2	MD		MD Year 2
3	MPH		MPH Year 1
4	MD		MD Year 3
5	½ MD	1⁄2 MPH	<sup>1</sup> ⁄ <sub>2</sub> MD Year 4 <sup>1</sup> ⁄ <sub>2</sub> MPH Year 2

3.5 years of MD tuition 1.5 years of MPH tuition

### **MD/MPH Option 2**

VUSM Year	Primary Degree Program		Tuition
1	MD		MD Year 1
2	MD		MD Year 2
3	MD		MD Year 3
4	MPH		MPH Year 1
5	½ MD	1⁄2 MPH	1⁄2 MD Year 4 1⁄2 MPH Year 2

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