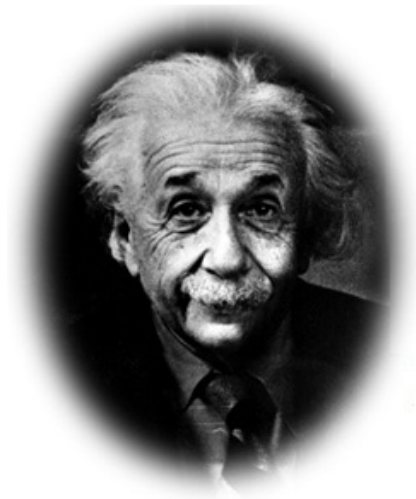
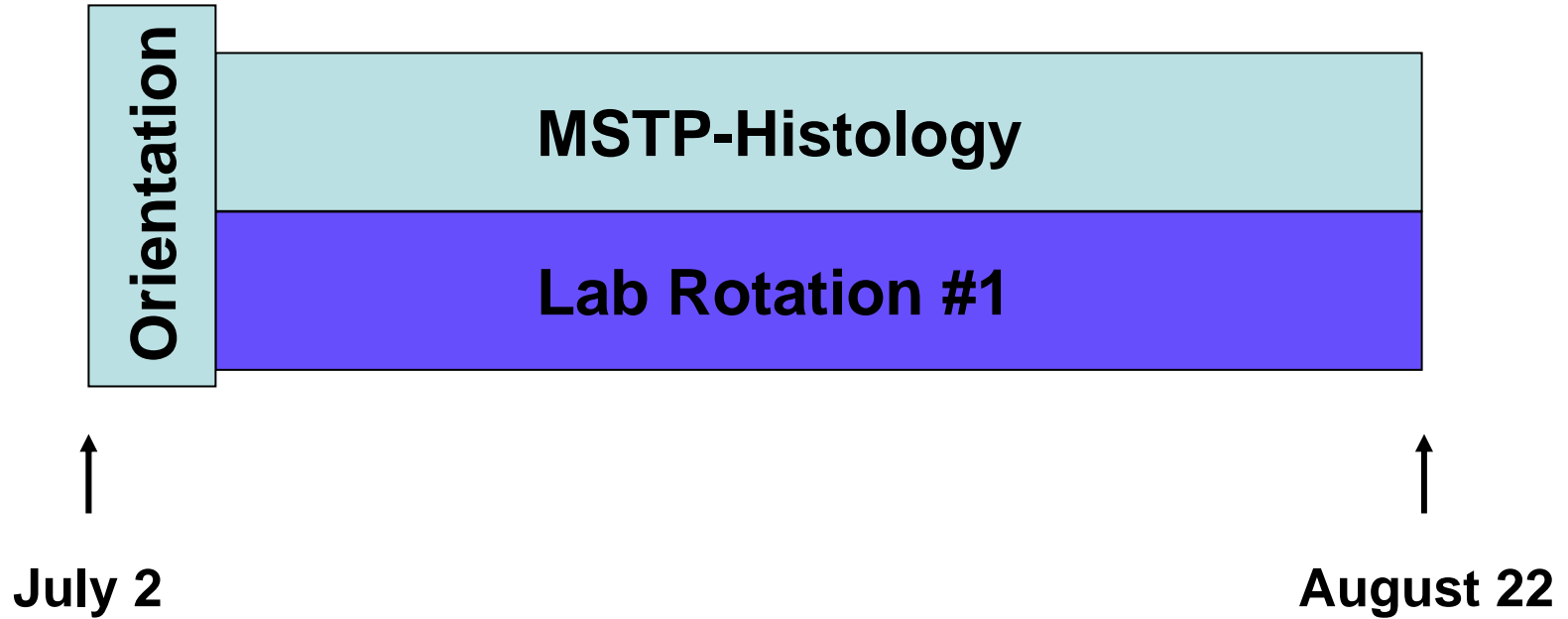


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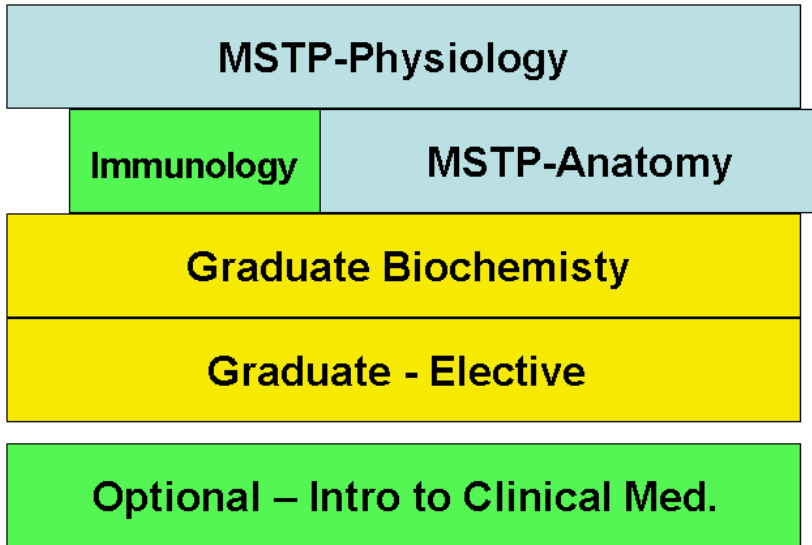


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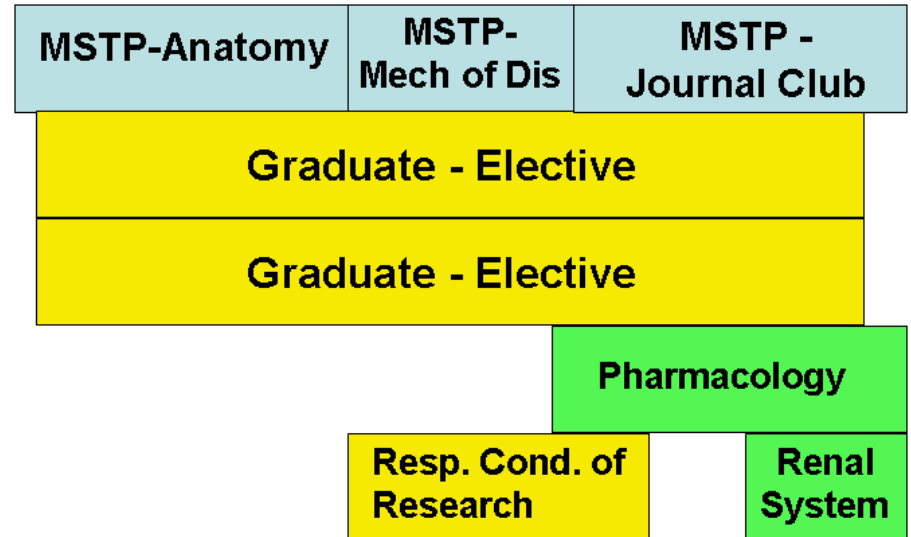


M1 Year Courses

Fall Semester



Spring Semester



MSTP

Medical

Graduate

Key Components

Sufficient MD-PhD Class Size

justifies faculty time for MSTP-specific classes

MSTP Anatomy Course

2/3 time

5 – 7 PM

frees up time for graduate school courses

1 relative to medical school peers

reduces opposition to exemption from M1 courses

Advantages

- 1. Research/science focused M1 year curriculum**
- 2. Allows completion of most of the five required grad school courses**
- 3. Reduces time in Anatomy and Histology**
- 4. On average do just as well or better on USMLE Step 1**
- 5. Builds group cohesion amongst MD-PhD students**

Potential Disadvantages

- 1. Increased faculty teaching load**
- 2. Increased cost**
- 3. Very demanding first year**