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- Complete a primary research project with guidance, and gain exposure to clinical trials.
- Participate in clinical muscle biopsy evaluation and case review conferences.
- Prepare and present formal case summaries including clinical, pathologic and genetic features.
APPLICATIONS ARE ACCEPTED ON A ROLLING BASIS. The fellowship is open to students currently enrolled in any medical school within the United States who have completed their second year of medical school.

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