



Renaissance
School of Medicine
Stony Brook University

Club Directory 2025

ACTS Christian Fellowship

Club Email Address: ACTS.rsom@gmail.com

Club Advisor(s): Dr. Stephen Post

Club Mission: Navigating medicine as followers of Christ and having fellowship with other believers throughout medical school to keep each other accountable.

Club Goals: Provide a safe space for anyone to find rest and healing throughout the challenges of medical school.

Achievements in the past year:

- Prayer meeting
- Picnic fellowship day

Planned activities for the coming year:

- Prayer & worship events
- Bible studies, discussion groups, on-campus events with guest speakers
- Outdoor fellowship events

Addiction Medicine Interest Group
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Club Email Address: addictionmedicine.stonybrook@gmail.com

Club Advisor(s): Dr. Stephen Post

American Academy of Developmental Dentistry and Medicine

Club Email Address: aadmdsbu@gmail.com

Club Advisor(s): Michelle Ballan

American Medical Association (AMA)

Club Email Address: rsomama@gmail.com

Club Advisor(s): Dr. Maria Basile

Club Mission: The American Medical Association Medical Student Section (AMA - MSS) is dedicated to representing medical students, improving medical education, developing leadership, and promoting activism for the health of America.

Club Goals: AMA-MSS promotes awareness of issues related to public wellness, community service, ethics, and health policy through projects, programs, and activities. The organization participates in service projects and is particularly active in policy making and voting on resolutions at local and regional meetings. Through educational events, medical students explore the intersection of medicine, health policy, and community issues. Given the current political context, it is essential for medical students to engage in these important conversations. Members also remain active in community service and undertake leadership roles through collaborations with the Suffolk County Medical Society and the Medical Society of the State of New York (MSSNY).

Achievements in the past year:

- Healthcare Under Attack: A Look Beyond Borders- discussed the importance of political and social determinants of health in conflict zones around the world.
- Voices from Gaza and the West Bank: Healthcare in Crisis-cosponsored with various RSOM clubs and SBU departments; Q&A with Dr. Syed M. Sayeed (eyewitness medical accounts from Gaza), Steve Sosebee (HEAL Palestine), Tom Lewendon (photographer of scenes in Gaza), and a medical evacuee from Gaza.

Planned activities for the coming year: Events and activities we are planning for the upcoming year include:

- Exploring new laws and policies and their effects on medical practice
- Practicing drafting and submitting resolutions to the AMA to promote healthcare advocacy
- Addressing medicine in disaster and combat zones (e.g., Gaza, Sudan, LA fires)
- Discussing the intersection of climate change and healthcare, as well as sustainability in healthcare
- Focusing on medicine in Suffolk County and examining the impact of the opioid epidemic on the local population

American Medical Women's Association (AMWA)

Club Email Address: amwa.sbmed@gmail.com

Club Advisor(s): Dr. Vaibhavi Umesh

Club Mission: The purpose of American Medical Women's Association is to advance women in medicine, advocate for equity, and ensure excellence in health care.

Club Goals: Match students with female physician mentors.

Achievements in the past year:

- Matched students with female physician mentors
- Hosted potluck dinner for mentees to meet their mentors

Planned activities for the coming year:

- Potluck dinner/mentorship match for new M1 class
- OB/Gyn clinic shadowing program
- Documentary screenings of women in STEM
- Outreach to homeless shelters

American Muslim Medical Student Association (AMMSA)

Club Email Address: rsom.ammsa@gmail.com

Club Advisor(s): Dr. Raafat El-Maghrabi

Club Mission: AMMSA is a national student organization which is a student-led organization exploring the intersection between medicine and Islam. The goal is to empower Muslim medical students by providing them an opportunity for spiritual growth, professional development, and community building.

Club Goals: Have fun and engaging events that will engage and educate RSOM students and faculty about the intersection between Islam and Medicine.

Achievements in the past year: We had our recent Ramadan iftar on March 21st at the Galleria. This event functioned as an educational experience to teach about the significance of Ramadan for Muslims.

Planned activities for the coming year: Eid Din Seminar about Muslims in health care.

Anastomoses: The Renaissance Medical Journal

Club Email Address: rmj.sbu@gmail.com

Club Advisor(s): Dr. Richard Bronson

Club Mission: To provide medical students at RSOM an outlet for creative expression and an appreciation for writing.

Club Goals: Publishing our annual journal for writing, including various side projects (such as a publication segment for students' 55-word MCS stories).

Achievements in the past year: Printed zine publication.

Planned activities for the coming year: More creative writing projects and endeavors.

Anesthesiology Interest Group

Club Email Address: rsomanesthesia@gmail.com

Club Advisor(s): Dr. Ursula Landman, DO

Club Mission: To increase medical student body knowledge in the field of anesthesia.

Club Goals: The Anesthesiology Interest Group holds events such as intubation workshops, Q&A's with recently matched M4's and anesthesiology residents or attendings, and info sessions on several topics related to anesthesiology and critical care. The interest group provides information on how to participate in summer research/shadowing through the FAER program and Anesthesia externship, as well as updates on national conferences and local symposiums in the field. We typically host Lectures from anesthesia faculty members regarding current trends.

Achievements in the past year:

- Hosted a residency post-match panel on Zoom with M4 speakers that matched into anesthesiology.
- Continued to run the anesthesia mentorship program.

Planned activities for the coming year:

- Maintaining the anesthesia mentorship program between physicians and first/second year medical students.
- Providing a more comprehensive list of research opportunities.
- Host an introduction to anesthesia meeting in the fall.

Asian Pacific American Medical Student Association (APAMSA)
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Club Email Address: sbuapamsa@gmail.com

Club Advisor(s): Dr. Patricia Ng, Dr. Roderick Go

Club Mission: We are an organization of Asian and Pacific Islander (APA) medical students committed to addressing the unique health challenges of APA communities through education, outreach, advocacy, and service.

Club Goals: Fostering a close-knit community of APA medical students, allies/peers, and physicians within RSOM.

Achievements in the past year:

- Hosted a Lunar New Year event with Asian snacks, gonggi, and origami.
- Hosted a bone marrow tabling event in collaboration with NMDP to match people with patients in need of a bone marrow transplant.
- Registered seventy-one new individuals with the bone marrow registry.
- Maintained membership with national APAMSA.

Planned activities for the coming year:

- Hepatitis B event to spread awareness of Hepatitis B in the Asian community.
- Asian Extravaganza in the fall: biggest APAMSA event of the year! Tasty food and festivities.

Association of Women in Surgery Interest Group (AWS)

Club Email Address: aws.rsom@gmail.com

Club Advisor(s): Dr. Angela Kokkosis

Club Mission: The purpose of Association of Women in Surgery Interest Group is committed to fostering a supportive and inclusive environment for female medical students pursuing careers in surgery. Our mission is to provide mentorship, educational resources, and networking opportunities that empower women to excel in surgical specialties.

Club Goals: Our mission is to inspire confidence, promote leadership, and advocate for gender equality within the surgical field. We aim to achieve these objectives through workshops, panel discussions, and collaborative events featuring experienced surgeons and healthcare professionals. Our focus is on helping members reach both professional and personal goals, while promoting equity,

fostering professional development, and enhancing organizational effectiveness within the surgical community.

Achievements in the past year:

- We successfully organized a special panel featuring a diverse group of women surgeons from Stony Brook, who shared their insights and experiences on the critical topic of work-life balance, an issue that is often overlooked in formal medical training. Understanding how a career can align with personal life is a key factor when choosing a specialty, and this panel aimed to provide valuable perspectives on how female surgeons across various specialties have navigated this balance both in and out of the operating room. The panel sparked meaningful conversations and offered guidance for those navigating their careers in surgery.

Planned activities for the coming year:

- This year, we aim to continue hosting the work-life balance panel for incoming medical students to foster this crucial conversation early in their training. Our goal is to provide students with the resources they need to make informed decisions about which specialty aligns best with their personal and professional aspirations.
- Additionally, we plan to establish a long-lasting mentorship program that offers opportunities for research, relationship-building, and shadowing.
- Finally, we are in the process of organizing a research symposium focused on surgical specialties, in collaboration with other surgical interest groups, aimed at MS1 students. This event will serve as a platform for students to explore the diverse fields within surgery and gain insights into research opportunities.

Autism in Dance Initiative

Club Email Address: stonybrookautismdance@gmail.com

Club Advisor(s): Dr. Stephen Post

Biomedical Engineering & BioDesign Interest Group
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Club Email Address: biodesignsbu@gmail.com

Club Advisor(s): Dr. Lauren Maloney

Black Men in White Coats

Club Email Address: BMWCRSOM@gmail.com

Club Advisor(s): Dr. Jedan Phillips, Dr. Jennie Williams, Dr. Wilfred Farquharson

Club Mission: The mission of Black Men in White Coats is to bolster the representation of Black men in medicine and mitigate the glaring disparity present amongst the percentage of current physicians. Increasing this representation can lead to greater patient-physician relationships, better patient outcomes, and an overall healthier population.

Club Goals: To help support Black medical students on their journey towards becoming accomplished clinicians.

Achievements in the past year:

- The Annual Black Men in White Coats Youth Summit invited over 600 third to twelfth graders from across Long Island and NYC to learn about the different facets of medicine, as well as demonstrate different technologies such as ultrasound imaging and robotic surgical arms, illustrating the equipment utilized by healthcare professionals on a daily basis to enhance patient care and safety.
- The BMWC chapter has traveled to many high schools throughout Long Island such as Glen Cove and Deer Park to perform outreach, giving students the chance to ask questions about the medical school process and ensure they see they can embark on this journey as well.

Planned activities for the coming year:

- Black Men in White Coats Youth Summit High School Outreach Establishing a BMWC Chapter on Stony Brook University's undergraduate campus.
- Participating in and providing mentorship in the pipeline programs to the Renaissance School of Medicine.

Camerata Choir

Club Email Address: rsomcameratachoir@gmail.com

Club Advisor(s): Dr. Stephen Post

Cardiology Interest Group

Club Email Address: cardiologyinterestgroup1@gmail.com

Club Advisor(s): Dr. Tahmid Rahman

Club Mission: The purpose of Cardiology Interest Group is to promote medical student interest in cardiology as a potential specialty within Stony Brook Renaissance School of Medicine.

Club Goals : To increase student visibility in the field of cardiology and provide students with resources into how to increase exposure to the field. To augment student learning of cardiology, especially during the CPR course .

Achievements in the past year:

- Matched sixteen first-year medical students with cardiology attending/fellow mentors

Planned activities for the coming year:

- EKG reading workshop
- Cardiac subspecialties panel.

Catholic Medical Association (CMA)

Club Email Address: cma.liguild@gmail.com

Club Advisor(s): Dr. Jeanine Morelli

Club Mission: Forming and supporting current and future physicians to live and promote the principles of the Catholic Faith in the science and practice of medicine.

Club Goals: Inspiring Physicians to imitate Jesus Christ.

Achievements in the past year:

- Presenting a lecture on Bianca's House
- Meeting for breakfast following mass

Planned activities for the coming year:

- Pilgrimage to the Basilica of the Sacred Hearts of Jesus and Mary

Critical Care Interest Group

Club Email Address: criticalcareig@gmail.com

Club Advisor(s): Dr. David Cohen

Club Mission: Our mission is to give medical students insight into various critical care ICU/EM teams and the various academic pathways available.

Club Goals: Critical Care Medicine is an interest group focused on providing students with exposure to the interdisciplinary critical care subspecialty. We focus on fields such as IM, EM, and surgery that make up ICU teams.

Achievements in the past year:

- Our events include networking opportunities like Critical Care Fellow Panels.
- Hands-on clinical skill workshops like standardized patient simulations and intubations.

Planned activities for the coming year:

- Ultrasound-guided IV placement workshop
- Intubation workshop
- Critical care resident and attending panel

Dermatology Interest Group

Club Email Address: rsomdermig@gmail.com

Club Advisor(s): Dr. Katherine Siamas

Club Mission: To spark an interest in dermatology, help to connect students with mentors, and promote awareness of skin health in our community.

Club Goals: Our goal is to help students explore the field of dermatology through hands-on experiences, educational events, and community outreach.

Achievements in the past year:

- Created bilingual (English/Spanish) skin cancer pamphlets for SB HOME to help educate patients in an accessible manner.
- Co-hosted a suture workshop with the EM Interest Group.
- Held a dermatology post-match panel with M4's to give students honest insight into the match process.

Planned activities for the coming year:

- We are currently planning the annual dermatology post-match panel.
- We are planning to get more involved with the SPOTS Outreach Program to talk to students from elementary through high school about melanoma and sun safety.
- We are planning more hands-on workshops and collabs with other interest groups.

Diagnostic Radiology Interest Group
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Club Email Address: Rsom.drigr@gmail.com

Club Advisor(s): Dr. Kevin S. Baker

Club Mission: The mission of the Diagnostic Radiology Interest Group is to provide opportunities for students to gain exposure to diagnostic radiology and obtain mentorship should they be interested in this specialty.

Club Goals: While radiologic anatomy is covered in the TBY course to an extent, the specialty of diagnostic radiology is not limited to imaging alone. Our goal is to ensure students have a complete picture of what diagnostic radiology has to offer both in the reading room and outside of it. Those interested in the specialty should also have adequate access to mentorship, which is another goal of our club.

Achievements in the past year:

- This organization hosted a research showcase where students were able to present current radiologic research to both their peers and healthcare professionals here at RSOM.

Planned activities for the coming year:

- Based on feedback from prior classes, a post-match panel from students who have matched radiology is the most requested event so that is certainly going to be a recurring event.
- Ultrasound workshops have been requested and will be investigated.
- Lastly, the research symposium was a big hit so that will also make a return.

Docs for Rocks

Club Email Address: docsforrocks@gmail.com

Club Advisor(s): Dr. Rachel Wong

Club Mission: The purpose of Docs for Rocks is to foster a rock-climbing community for medical students.

Club Goals: To encourage medical students to rock climb.

Achievements in the past year: Organized multiple indoor bouldering events at the Gravity Vault gym, Melville.

Planned activities for the coming year:

- Indoor bouldering and top rope climbing at the gym Gravity Vault, Melville.
- Possible outdoor climbing trip in collaboration with the Wilderness Medicine Club.

Emergency Medicine Interest Group
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Club Email Address: Rsom.emig@gmail.com

Club Advisor(s): Dr. David Cohen

Club Mission: Support students interested in the field of Emergency Medicine

Club Goals: Provide opportunities for students to explore the diverse facets of emergency medicine through informational and skills sessions.

Achievements in the past year: Continued success of the Emergency Medicine Shadowing Program.

Planned activities for the coming year:

- EM Post-Match Panel
- Cardiac Emergencies Case Review
- Clinical skills workshops

Family Medicine Interest Group

Club Email Address: rsom.familymedinterestgroup@gmail.com

Club Advisor(s): Dr. Ghazal Sinha

Club Mission: The purpose of RSOM Family Medicine Interest Group is to provide medical students with the opportunity to further their knowledge in the field of Family Medicine. The members strive to spark an interest in practicing primary care as well as raise awareness regarding the various challenges as well as opportunities that general practitioners are presented with in the current healthcare system.

Club Goals: Our club goals are to educate medical students in the field of family medicine and highlight the importance of primary care.

Achievements in the past year: Screening on primary care with pizza, family medicine physician panels.

Planned activities for the coming year:

- FM residency match panel
- Screening
- Interactive sessions with taking basic vitals, etc.

Gastroenterology Interest Group
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Club Email Address: rsom.gastro.ig@gmail.com

Club Advisor(s): Dr. Olga C. Aroniadis

Club Mission: The Gastroenterology Interest Group helps medical students who are interested in learning more about the Gastroenterology specialty.

Club Goals: We hope to create interactive events, collaborate with other student groups on campus, and host panels to prepare medical students for this competitive specialty.

Achievements in the past year: We hosted a GI Kahoot in preparation for the upcoming GI & nutrition NBME, and we plan to replicate this event again.

Planned activities for the coming year:

- Colonoscopy/endoscopy workshop
- Another GI Kahoot
- A mentorship program with Gastroenterology residents and fellow
- Panels with physicians in the Gastroenterology department

General Surgery Interest Group

Club Email Address: generalsurgeryinterestgroup@gmail.com

Club Advisor(s): Dr. Semar Sbayi

Geriatrics Interest Group

Club Email Address: geriatricsig.rsom@gmail.com

Club Advisor(s): Dr. Lisa Strano-Paul

Club Mission: To support student interest in a career in becoming a geriatrician.

Club Goals: Raising awareness about healthcare quality in a neglected population and devising ways to increase engagement between the health professions and the older adult population.

Achievements in the past year:

- Jefferson Ferry Village Retirement Community Health Fair
- Hospital Elder Life Program (HELP)

Planned activities for the coming year:

- Movie screenings on older adult health in America
- More health fairs at other retirement communities

Health Outreach and Medical Education at Stony Brook (HOME at SB)

Club Email Address: Operations.SBHOME@stonybrookmedicine.edu

Club Advisor(s): Dr. Jedan Phillips

Internal Medicine Interest Group

Club Email Address: imig.rsom@gmail.com

Club Advisor(s): Dr. Kimberly Kranz

Club Mission: The Internal Medicine Interest Group helps medical students who are interested in learning more about the Internal Medicine residency.

Club Goals: This interest group aims to host interactive events to better prepare students for applying for competitive Internal Medicine residencies.

Achievements in the past year: This past year, we hosted a two -part panel series with ten physicians from the Department of Medicine, which we plan to repeat this fall.

Planned activities for the coming year:

- Skills workshop
- A mentorship program with residents and fellows in the Department of Medicine
- Physician panels
- Collaborations with other student groups to create interactive and interesting events.

Interventional Radiology Interest Group

Club Email Address: sbusom.irgroup@gmail.com

Club Advisor(s): Dr. Christopher Shackles

Club Mission: The mission of SBU IRIG is to introduce students to the field of interventional radiology, provide educational resources and hands-on workshops, promote networking opportunities, and inspire interest in IR.

Club Goals: The club goal is to have active participation by students in events and to help students consider interventional radiology as a potential profession in medicine.

Achievements in the past year:

- Organized and held a DR/IR research day where students were invited to present research to other students and residents/attending physicians in the department of radiology.
- Held a post-match panel for students interested in diagnostic/interventional radiology to hear from successfully matched applicants.

Planned activities for the coming year:

- DR/IR research day and post-match panel.

Jewish Student Association (JSA)

Club Email Address: JewishStudentAssociation.RSOM@gmail.com

Club Advisor(s): Dr. Jack Fuhrer, Dr. Paul Richman, Dr. Sharon Nachman

Club Mission: The Jewish Student Association (JSA) at RSOM is dedicated to fostering a welcoming and inclusive community for Jewish students and allies. Our mission is to celebrate Jewish culture, traditions, and values while promoting education, advocacy, and service. Through social, religious, and professional events, we strive to create a supportive environment that enhances the medical school experience and strengthens connections within the broader Jewish and medical communities.

Club Goals: Community Building, Cultural & Religious Engagement, Education & Advocacy, Service & Outreach, and Professional Development.

Achievements in the past year:

- In the past year, we have held Shabbat and High Holiday services and dinners.
- Events throughout the week such as a Challah Bake and Matzah Ball Soup contest.

Planned activities for the coming year:

- We plan to continue hosting Shabbat and High Holiday services.
- We plan to host events for Purim and Hanukkah.
- We are also working with the Hillel office to collaborate on a couple events and social outings.

Lateral Epicondylitis Interest Group

Club Email Address: lepicondylitis@gmail.com

Club Advisor(s): Dr. Marshall Leonard

Club Mission: The Lateral Epicondylitis Club (Tennis Club) seeks to help medical students connect through a shared passion for tennis.

Club Goals: We seek to provide a forum for experienced players to seek well - matched partners and provide opportunities for beginner and intermediate players to grow and develop their passion for the sport.

Achievements in the past year: We hosted multiple hitting sessions throughout the fall and had great turnout at these events. Students from various classes were able to meet each other and connect over the shared activity of tennis.

Planned activities for the coming year: We plan to host get -togethers to encourage beginner, intermediate, and experienced players to get outside and enjoy the sport of tennis together in casual or competitive matches.

Latino Medical Student Association (LMSA)

Club Email Address: stonybrooklmsa@gmail.com

Club Advisor(s): Dr. Carly Gomez

Club Mission: The Latino Medical Student Association exists to unite and empower current and future physicians through service, mentorship, and education to advocate for the improved health of the Hispanic & Latina/o/x community in the United States.

Club Goals: We envision a world in which improved health outcomes for all patients arise because of the following:

- Increased representation and support of healthcare professionals from backgrounds underrepresented among the medical workforces.
- Increased awareness of critical issues affecting the health of the Hispanic, Latina/o/x, and other marginalized communities.
- Increased efforts to reduce disparities in the ways patients of color experience the American healthcare system.

Achievements in the past year:

- Hosted Hispanic Heritage Night Event
- Patagonia Sale raising money for SB Home
- Volunteered in Doctor's Back to School Event
- Represented Renaissance School of Medicine at the NE Conference for the LMSA

Planned activities for the coming year:

- Hispanic Heritage Night Celebration
- Patagonia Sale
- Doctor's Back to School
- Assisting Dr. Gomes with educational experience for local L.I. middle schools

Lifestyle Medicine Interest Group
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Club Email Address: lmig.stonybrookmedicine@gmail.com

Club Advisor(s): Dr. Glennis Alvarado

MagicAid

Club Email Address: magic.aidsb@gmail.com

Club Advisor(s): Dr. Maribeth Chitkara

Club Mission: MagicAid is a nonprofit organization dedicated to providing compassionate care to pediatric patients through the art of magic. Our mission is to improve the hospitalization experience by empowering patients with new magic skills, thereby building patient relationships, promoting empowerment, and encouraging psychological and physical improvement. We train our fellow medical student peers to perform one-on-one magic therapy sessions with pediatric patients and their families. These sessions aim to alleviate some patients' health worries by engaging them in learning and performing magic tricks.

Club Goals:

- Make hospital stay less stressful and more enjoyable for pediatric patients.
- Teach patients magic tricks to give them a sense of control, confidence, and accomplishment.
- Use magic to create meaningful connections between healthcare providers and patients.
- Equip medical students with magic skills to enhance patient interactions and remind them that patients are more than just their disease or illness but people.

Achievements in the past year:

- Volunteer Appreciation Event
- Host weekly hour-long MagicAid sessions at the SBU Children's Hospital where medical students can interact with and perform magic for patients and their families.

Planned activities for the coming year:

- Volunteer Appreciation Event
- Host session with SBU Children's hospital

Mandarin in Medicine

Club Email Address: mandarin.in.medicine.rsom@gmail.com

Club Advisor(s): Dr. Maixin Wu

Medical Applications of Psychedelics Research Interest Group

Club Email Address: rsompsychedelicsinmedicine@gmail.com

Club Advisor(s): Dr. Lucian Manu

Medical Spanish Club

Club Email Address: rsommedicalspanish@gmail.com

Club Advisor(s): Dr. Phillips

Club Mission:

Club Goals: Develop and execute initiatives to expand medical students' awareness and understanding of the use of Spanish language in the medical field to expand healthcare accessibility for Spanish-speaking patients.

Achievements in the past year: Designed Spanish vocab cards to keep in ID holders.

Planned activities for the coming year:

- Translator etiquette panel.
- Clinical simulation with Spanish-speaking standardized patients.

Medical Student Pride Alliance

Club Email Address: stonymspa@gmail.com

Club Advisor(s): Dr. Adam Gonzalez

Club Mission: Advocate for LGBTQ+ health and provide a supportive network for medical students of all sexual orientations and gender identities.

Club Goals: Host and support events related to the LGBTQ+ community.

Achievements in the past year:

- Pride Night
- Collaboration with Medical Students for Choice on a panel regarding LGBTQ patients and fertility/family planning
- Sponsored GLMA memberships for new students
- Thanksgiving dinner
- Documentary screening of "Paris is Burning"

Planned activities for the coming year:

- Speaker event potentially regarding HIV advocacy and resources within NYS
- Pride Night

Medical Students for Choice

Club Email Address: msfc.stonybrookmed@gmail.com

Club Advisor(s): Dr. Leah Kaufman

Club Mission: The purpose of Medical Students for Choice is to increase education, awareness, and open discussion regarding issues of reproductive health and to support those within the medical community who are working to ensure freedom of choice.

Club Goals: To host educational, interactive sessions with RSOM students on reproductive healthcare and abortion.

Achievements in the past year:

- MVA/IUD Workshops
- Residency Training Post-Dobbs (Collaboration with Drs. Kaufman and Gabbur)
- Pin Distribution
- Abortion Counseling with Dr. Corinne McLeod
- Shield Law discussions with Dr. Linda Prine

Planned activities for the coming year: MVA/IUD Workshops

Movies in Medicine

Club Email Address: moviesinmedicine@gmail.com

Club Advisor(s): Dr. Maria Basile

Club Mission: The Movies in Medicine group looks to merge the various entertainment and academic factors of movies with medicine.

Club Goals: We hope to host fun and interesting events around the creative nature of movies.

Achievements in the past year: This past year, we hosted a screening of "A Beautiful Mind" in Lecture Hall 2.

Planned activities for the coming year:

- Host movie trivia nights
- Mock after-party around the time of the Golden Globes
- Screening at AMC Loews in rented out theaters for medical students

Music in Medicine

Club Email Address: rsommusicinmedicine@gmail.com

Club Advisor(s): Dr. Peter Viccellio

Club Mission: The Music in Medicine Club integrates music into healthcare by enhancing patient well-being, supporting medical student wellness, and exploring music's role in medicine. Through performances, outreach, and education, we promote healing, creativity, and compassionate care.

Club Goals:

- Support Medical Student Wellness
- Use music as a tool for stress relief, creativity, and community-building
- Engage in Community Outreach
- Organize performances, benefit concerts, and volunteer initiatives to advocate for music's role in medicine
- Foster Interdisciplinary Collaboration: Connect students, healthcare professionals, and musicians to integrate music into patient care

Achievements in the past year: Performances at various events including Donor Remembrance Ceremony, A Children's Remembrance, Veterans Homes, etc.

Planned activities for the coming year:

- Performance at the Induction ceremony for undergraduate & graduate nursing students into the Nursing Honor Society (Kappa Gamma)
- Performance at the Donor Remembrance Ceremony
- Performance at the Cancer Center
- Performances at the Stony Brook Veterans Home
- Performance at the SB HOME Gala

National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI)

Club Email Address: rsomnami@gmail.com

Club Advisor(s): Dr. Stephen Post

Club Mission: To spread mental health awareness.

Club Goals: To ensure the wellbeing of medical student body.

Achievements in the past year: Organized an event for MIs to prepare for pre-clinical.

Planned activities for the coming year: Will be planning events related to mental health walks and meditation/yoga.

Neurosurgery Interest Group (NSIG), American Association of Neurological Surgeons (AANS)

Club Email Address: sbumedaans@gmail.com

Club Advisor(s): Dr. Charles Mike II

Club Mission: To provide educational, networking, and research opportunities for students at the Renaissance School of Medicine interested in neurosurgery.

Club Goals: To host a residency panel, share research opportunities, organize speaker events with neurosurgical residents and attendings, provide shadowing opportunities for members and interested medical students, and share information about local neurosurgical events to medical students.

Achievements in the past year: Provided members with free AANS memberships.

Planned activities for the coming year: Participation in surgical subspecialty research symposium.

Non-Traditional Student Organization

Club Email Address: rsom.ntso@gmail.com

Club Advisor(s): Dr. Snyder

Nutrition and Cooking Club at Renaissance School of Medicine

Club Email Address: rsomcooks@gmail.com

Club Advisor(s): Dr. Josephine Connolly Schoonen, Dr. Sotiria Everett

Club Mission: Our mission is to create a supportive community where members can

share and expand their cooking knowledge while learning about the fundamentals of nutrition and its impact on overall health.

Club Goals: The purpose of Nutrition and Cooking Club at Renaissance School of Medicine is to promote the awareness of nutritional health and foster a deeper understanding of diverse diets to help individuals achieve their lifestyle and wellness goals. Through engaging activities, collaborative cooking experiences, and educational discussions, we aim to inspire healthy living and a lifelong appreciation for the art and science of cooking.

Achievements in the past year: Bakeoff Competition

Planned activities for the coming year: Faculty Panel

OB/Gyn Interest Group

Club Email Address: rsomobgyn@gmail.com

Club Advisor(s): Dr. Leah Kaufman, Nicole Paccione

Club Mission: As future physicians, we have a responsibility to care for the lives of our patients. In the OB/GYN Interest Group, we focus on women reproduction, as well as their healthcare rights.

Club Goals: The goals of the OB/Gyn IG are to provide a variety of opportunities and events for students to learn about pursuing a career as an OB/ Gyn and introduce students to basic skills used by OB/Gyns through skills lab and physician panels.

Achievements in the past year:

- The OB/Gyn IG has organized lunch-and-learn for black maternal health week
- Subspecialty panel
- Summer mixer for physicians and students to interact.
- Skills event in the CSC

Planned activities for the coming year:

- Post-match panel with M4s discussing matching OB/Gyn
- Jeopardy event for the endo-repro block
- Repeating the events from 2024 outlined above

Oncology Interest Group

Club Email Address: rsomoncologyinterestgroup@gmail.com

Club Advisor(s): Dr. Michael Frohman

Club Mission: The purpose of Oncology Interest Group is to foster a community dedicated to advancing cancer care through education, mentorship, research, and advocacy.

Club Goals: Our goal is to provide students with hands-on experience in cancer patient care and research opportunities. Additionally, we aim to connect students with oncology professionals to explore various career paths and engage with foundations and initiatives actively contributing to advancements in cancer care.

Achievements in the past year:

- Oncology Research Panel
- Card Making Event with Stony Brook University Hospital
- Cancer Center Breast Cancer Awareness: Pink Party Panel w/ Dr. Cohen
- Frequent Volunteering Opportunities from the Cancer Center

Planned activities for the coming year:

- Visual Arts in Medicine Volunteering Initiative
- Research Mentorship Program
- Additional Survivorship and Physician Panels

Ophthalmology Interest Group

Club Email Address: ophtho.rsom@gmail.com

Club Advisor(s): Dr. Nariman Boyle

Club Mission: The purpose of Ophthalmology Interest Group is to educate, inspire, and support students interested in the field of ophthalmology.

Club Goals: This organization provides a platform to explore the unique interplay of medicine, surgery, and technology in the prevention, diagnosis, and treatment of eye diseases.

Achievements in the past year : Ophthalmology post-match panel

Planned activities for the coming year: TBD.

Orthopedic Surgery Interest Group

Club Email Address: rsomoigclub@gmail.com

Club Advisor(s): Dr. James Penna

Club Mission: To stimulate student interest in orthopedic surgery and enhance access to research and mentorship opportunities that improve students' preparedness for their career choice.

Club Goals: Increase student access to research, shadowing, and mentorship in the field. Hold at least four events in the 2025 calendar year.

Achievements in the past year:

- Residency Q&A session with Dr. Patterson
- Anatomy of the Extremities Kahoot Session

Planned activities for the coming year:

- Residency Q&A session
- Surgical skills workshop
- Orthopedic Surgery Poster Presentations
- Anatomy of the Extremities Kahoot Session

Otolaryngology - Head and Neck Surgery Interest Group

Club Email Address: rsom.ent.ig@gmail.com

Club Advisor(s): Dr. Keith Chadwick

Club Mission: To help facilitate and disseminate information about ENT as a specialty for interested medical students, as well as providing a platform for increased networking, research, and other professionally related opportunities.

Club Goals: To provide a platform for medical students to learn more about ENT as a surgical subspecialty.

Achievements in the past year: Pig tracheostomy workshop

Planned activities for the coming year:

- Karaoke night
- Faculty Q&A panel

Pediatrics Interest Group

Club Email Address: PediatricsIG.RSOM@gmail.com

Club Advisor(s): Dr. Jacqueline Bober

Phinancially Phriendly Physicians
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Club Email Address: phinanciallyphriendlyphysician@gmail.com

Club Advisor(s): Dr. David Cohen

Club Mission: The Phinancially Phriendly Physicians club at RSOM is committed to empowering our future physicians with the knowledge and skills necessary to make informed financial decisions. Our mission is to provide accessible education on personal finance, student loans, investing, and financial planning to help medical students achieve long -term financial well -being.

Club Goals: Financial Education, Student Loan Awareness, Investment Basics, Physician- Specific Finance, and Guest Speaker Engagement & Networking

Achievements in the past year: Past events include:

- Speakers to discuss pertinent financial advice such as loan management and investing.
- Giveaway of books to each student written by The White Coat Investor.

Planned activities for the coming year:

- We are hoping to bring in physicians who work in different settings to discuss their practice and student loan consultants to discuss managing loans during uncertain times.

Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation Interest Group (PM&R)

Club Email Address: rsompmrinterestgroup@gmail.com

Club Advisor(s): Jennifer Gray

Club Mission: To foster interest in PM&R

Club Goals: Disseminate information related to PM&R, provide mentorship and highlight opportunities.

Achievements in the past year:

- Resident panel
- Special Olympics Volunteering
- Information panel with Dr. Gray

Planned activities for the coming year:

- Post-match panel with M4's
- Resident panel
- Volunteering

Physicians for Human Rights and the Stony Brook Human Rights Clinic
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Club Email Address: rsomchapterphr@gmail.com

Club Advisor(s): Phyllis Migdal, Kathryn Scarbrough

Club Mission: Physicians for Human Rights (PHR) is a nonprofit organization founded in 1986, leveraging the expertise of medical professionals to document and combat severe human rights violations globally. As the RSOM chapter, we aim to raise awareness on campus.

Club Goals: The goals of the Physicians for Human Rights (PHR) chapter include the following: Promote Awareness: Educate communities about the intersection of health and human rights, highlighting issues like torture, attacks on healthcare, and mass atrocities. Advocate for Justice: Use medicine, science, and law to document abuses and hold perpetrators accountable while defending persecuted health workers and medical neutrality. Empower Future Leaders: Provide leadership opportunities for students and professionals to engage in human rights advocacy through events, conferences, and training. Foster Ethical Practice: Encourage health professionals to uphold medical ethics by opposing complicity in human rights violation.

Achievements in the past year: Making progress to establish our asylum clinic.

Planned activities for the coming year: Pamphlet for patients to be aware of their rights in and out of the hospital documentary screenings.

Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery Interest Group
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Club Email Address: prsig.rsom@gmail.com

Club Advisor(s): Dr. Tara Huston

Club Mission: Our mission is to support students interested in pursuing Plastic Surgery.

Club Goals: Our goals include spreading crucial information about matching into a competitive specialty such as plastics, what the field entails, and the day -to-day of plastic surgeons. We also hope to connect students with mentors and research opportunities.

Achievements in the past year:

Planned activities for the coming year:

- Fundraising for cleft lip surgery
- Bake sales for fundraising.
- Panel of previous alums who matched into plastics.
- Mentorship programs
- Research opportunities

Psychedelics in Medicine

Club Email Address: rsompsychedelicsinmedicine@gmail.com

Club Advisor(s): Dr. Lucian Manu

Psychiatry Student Interest Group Network

Club Email Address: rsompsychsign@gmail.com

Club Advisor(s): Dr. Andrew Yang, Dr. Ilana Yel, Dr. Lauren Spring

Club Mission: To foster interest in psychiatry.

Club Goals: To plan events geared toward exposing medical students to different areas in psychiatry.

Achievements in the past year:

- Creating a mentorship program where medical students can be matched with residents.

Planned activities for the coming year:

- Wellness event
- Q&A panel for matched M4s
- Q&A panel for psychiatrists

RSOM Chess Club

Club Email Address: rsomchessclub@gmail.com

Club Advisor(s): Dr. Wackett

RSOM Fitness Club

Club Email Address: rsomfitnessclub@gmail.com

Club Advisor(s): Dr. Wackett

RSOM Run Club

Club Email Address: rsomrunclub@gmail.com

Club Advisor(s): Dr. Wackett

Club Mission: To encourage a healthy work -life balance and get people outside to run or walk.

Club Goals: Increase interest in activities such as running and walking.

Achievements in the past year:

Planned activities for the coming year:

- Running event with Dr. Wackett
- Collaboration with Athletics Chairs for Field Day

RSOM Scholars for Medicine

Club Email Address: rsomscholarsformed@gmail.com

Club Advisor(s): Dr. David Cohen

Ruth Jackson Orthopedic Society

Club Email: rjos.stonybrook@gmail.com

Club Advisor: Dr. Diana Patterson

Mission: To encourage women to enter the field of orthopedic surgery .

Goals: To increase awareness and passion about orthopedic surgery and provide support and resources for female medical students interested in the field .

Achievements:

- Suture workshop
- Post-match panel of SBU M4s

Planned Activities:

- ORIF workshop

Simulation Club

Club Email Address: rsomsimulationclub@gmail.com

Club Advisor(s): Dr. David Cohen

Club Mission: The Simulation Club is an interest group dedicated to the use of simulation training as a means to develop medical and surgical skills. Using the Clinical Skills Center, the Simulation Club utilizes high-fidelity tools and manikins to reconstruct clinical scenarios in a safe and interactive environment. The Simulation Club believes haptic feedback is an invaluable part of the learning process and strives to provide a hands-on approach to medical training.

Club Goals: Our club's primary goal is to supplement the classroom education we receive with hands-on training relevant to our course work. This allows a more holistic perspective of the textbook material, allowing students to excel in understanding. Our

secondary goal is to help prepare students for their clinical rotations and give them early exposure to skills and scenarios that will make them better physicians.

Achievements in the past year:

Planned activities for the coming year:

- Skills workshops include but not limited to IV insertion, Intubation, Suturing, Lumbar puncture, and Phlebotomy.
- Simulation cases are the other type of event we do. These involve rotating through simulated cases with Dr. Cohen operating a mannequin in the sim lab, primarily focused on content we are learning during our IPP courses and management of emergent conditions.

Smile Buddies

Club Email Address: sbu.smilebuddies@gmail.com

Club Advisor(s): Michael Attard

South Asian Students Association (SASA)
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Club Email Address: sasarsom@gmail.com

Club Advisor(s): Dr. Sritha Rajupet

Club Mission: Promote South Asian culture and bring awareness to topics relevant to the South Asian community and its public health.

Club Goals:

- Celebrate major South Asian festivals/events.
- Build community amongst RSOM South Asian community.
- Bring awareness to topics relevant to South Asian diasporic health.

Achievements in the past year:

- Events for Holi
- Diwali Health panel

Planned activities for the coming year:

- South Asian Health Panel 4/16
- Collaboration with undergraduate SASA Holi Event

Sports Medicine Interest Group

Club Email Address: sportsmedRSOM@gmail.com

Club Advisor(s): Dr. James Penna

Club Mission: To help medical students explore career interests in Sports Medicine.

Club Goals: Our major goal is to host Sports Medicine related events with Stony Brook physicians to give graduate students an opportunity to gain more experience about the career path. We also aim to invite sports medicine experts for community panels.

Achievements in the past year: Sideline shadowing of Stony Brook sports medicine physicians for the football and soccer season.

Planned activities for the coming year: Lacrosse shadowing event with Dr. Cruickshank, Dr. Cherney, and Dr. Hopkins.

Student Interest Group in Neurology (SIGN)

Club Email Address: rsom.sign@gmail.com

Club Advisor(s): Neil Nadkarni

Club Mission: To create a community in which we can share an interest in neurology and help students gain access and exposure to the field of neurology.

Club Goals: Help students understand what a career in neurology looks like. Help students gain access to opportunities within the field, such as shadowing and research. Create a community for those who want to share their interest in neurology with others.

Achievements in the past year:

Planned activities for the coming year:

- Post Match Panel Peer mentoring program
- Mind, brain, and behavior jeopardy
- Alzheimer's walk

Student National Medical Association (SNMA)

Club Email Address: snma@stonybrook.edu

Club Advisor(s): Ms. Inel Lewis, Dr. Jennie Williams, Dr. Jedan Phillips

Club Mission: To bring representation to minority populations in medicine and provide opportunities and support for those looking to succeed in an incredibly challenging but rewarding field.

Club Goals: Continue to share and celebrate the achievements of minority students in medicine, as well as uplifting them throughout their journey towards becoming a physician.

Achievements in the past year:

Planned activities for the coming year:

- Doctors Back to School Career Panel at Glen Clove High School
- Revisit Weekend

Students for a National Health Program (SNaHP)

Club Email Address: snahpstonybrook@gmail.com

Club Advisor(s): Dr. Alina Denham

Club Mission: Students for a National Health Program is a student chapter of PNHP dedicated to advocating for a single-payer healthcare system that guarantees universal access to comprehensive healthcare, prioritizes patient autonomy, and attenuates the all-too-common corporate and financial interference affecting personal medical decisions.

Club Goals: Our local chapter aims to achieve this by educating and mobilizing the Stony Brook community to organize within the Town of Brookhaven and beyond.

Achievements in the past year:

Planned activities for the coming year:

- We plan to have activities coming up soon -- stay tuned!

Students of Law and Medicine (SLAM)

Club Email Address: rsom.slam@gmail.com

Club Advisor(s): Arthur M. Diamond

The DEEP Society (Discourse & Engagement on Ethics & Policy)

Club Email Address: rsomdeepsociety@gmail.com

Club Advisor(s): Dr. Stephen Post, Dr. Phyllis Migdal

Ultimate Frisbee Club

Club Email Address: rsomfrisbee@gmail.com

Club Advisor(s): Andrew Wackett

Ultrasound Interest Group (USIG)

Club Email Address: usigstonybrook@gmail.com

Club Advisor(s): Dr. Sahar Ahmad

Club Mission: The Ultrasound Interest Group (USIG) at RSOM is dedicated to introducing students to the fundamentals of ultrasound technology and its critical role in clinical diagnosis. Our mission is to provide hands -on learning opportunities, foster an understanding of ultrasound applications across medical specialties, and promote early skill development to enhance patient care.

Club Goals: Hands-On Learning, Introduction to Ultrasound Clinical Application, Education & Training, Faculty & Peer Mentorship, and Research & Innovation .

Achievements in the past year:

- In the past year we have held events in the Clinical Simulation Center (CSC) to apply what we learn in the anatomy lab to clinical practice.
- Participated in Hofstra's annual Ultrasound competition this past February.

Planned activities for the coming year:

- We are constantly working to host events and bring opportunities to the students.
- We plan to set up an ultrasound guided IV competition in our CSC.
- Plan shadowing rounds in the MICU with some Pulm/CC fellows.

Urology Interest Group

Club Email Address: rsom.urologyig@gmail.com

Club Advisor(s): Dr. Jason Kim

Club Mission: The Urology interest group aims to create a supportive and informative environment for medical students interested in Urology.

Club Goals: We strive to connect students with peers, residents, and faculty mentors through networking opportunities, while also providing guidance on research, sub-internships, and the unique residency application process.

Achievements in the past year:

- Spring 2024: Post Match Panel
We had Dr. Berg, a chief resident, and an M4 attend an open panel discussion in the MART. The M4 talked about his experience with away sub-Is, research after clerkships, and his overall experience with the match process.
- Fall 2024: Intro to Urology Interest Group
Dr. Berg, Dr. Adler, and Jen Lu (chief resident) attended. The presentation was about the field of urology as a specialty and residency program with open and casual Q&A style.

Planned activities for the coming year:

- Post-Urology Match panel with class of 2025 - date TBD.

Vascular Surgery Interest Group
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Club Email Address: stonybrookvsig@gmail.com

Club Advisor(s): Lucyna Price

Club Mission: Promote interest in vascular surgery.

Club Goals: Improve awareness of the field and instruct students about pathways to a career in vascular surgery.

Achievements in the past year: Vascular anatomy jeopardy workshop.

Planned activities for the coming year:

- Anastomosis workshop
- Vascular surgery 101 Match panel

Visual Arts in Medicine

Club Email Address: vain.rsom@gmail.com

Club Advisor(s): Dr. Stephen Post

Club Mission: The purpose of “Visual Arts of Medicine” is to foster an appreciation for the intersection of art and medicine. This organization serves as a platform for medical students to explore how visual arts can enhance medical education, patient care, and personal wellness.

Club Goals: We aim to provide a platform through which students will explore and experience the intersection of visual arts with medicine.

Achievements in the past year:

- Painting events and programs for the student body including: - Painting and Writing event (co-hosted with Anastomoses: The Renaissance Medical Journal)
- Paint and Sip - Art Therapy Volunteer Program for Patients in the Bone Marrow Transplant Unit

Planned activities for the coming year:

- Paint and Sip - Art Therapy Volunteer Program for Adult Patients (Geriatric Unit, Heme-onc)
- Med student Art Mural

Wilderness Medicine Interest Group (WMIG)
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Club Email Address: rsomwildernessmedicine@gmail.com

Club Advisor(s): David Cohen

Club Mission: The mission of the Wilderness Medicine Interest Group is to promote interest and knowledge about wilderness medicine within the RSOM community.

Club Goals: WMIG holds events to introduce students to various aspects of wilderness medicine and provides opportunities to practice wilderness medicine skills on Long Island.

Achievements in the past year:

- Beach Clinical Scenario Event: On October 2, 2024, WMIG held an event to teach the ABCDE's of wilderness first aid and splinting techniques.

Planned activities for the coming year:

- Another clinical scenario session on the beach
- Organized hikes
- Airway intubation training in the simulation center