"History of Medicine in a Day and a Walk!"

Instructor: Steven J. Peitzman, MD, Professor of Medicine

**Purpose and Description:** Learn something about the roots of the profession and life for which you are now preparing. The two-component course will occupy a full day on Saturday, April 2 at the Queen Lane Campus (lunch included), and Dr. Peitzman’s popular history-of-medicine walking tour of Old Philadelphia, to be scheduled on a subsequent Saturday morning (it takes about 2 hours).

**Topics** will include: Highlights of change in medical thought and practice from Hippocrates to the 20th Century; epidemics; the germ theory and “Typhoid Mary”; the evolution of therapeutics and surgery; the entry of women into medicine; homeopathy (these last two topics relate to the origins of DUCOM). **Methods** will include: discussion; illustrated lectures; at least one video; a “readers theatre” presentation; some in-class brief readings of original literature; a visit to the Legacy Center (DUCOM historical archives). The **walking tour** will include the nation’s first general hospital; site where the 1793 yellow fever epidemic began; the building where both predecessor schools first held their graduations circa 1850; a surviving 19th-century dispensary building, an important Quaker meetinghouse, etc.

Schedule: Saturday, April 2, 2016, 9:00 am to 4:30 pm, with lunch included. Please see calendar for location. The date of the walking tour will be scheduled to maximize mutual convenience. Completing an electronic survey is a requirement of the course.

**PRE-REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED.** Enrollment is limited to 25 students. Since a lunch and space will be reserved, **students registering are expected to attend.** You can register by email or phone: contact Kathleen Kronmiller, Academic Coordinator- kkronmil@drexelmed.edu; 215-991-8464, no later than March 26, 2016. For questions about the content of the course, email Dr. Peitzman at speitzma@drexelmed.edu. If you find that you are unable to attend, please notify the coordinator at least ten days prior to this elective.