The program offers third and fourth year medical students an emergency medicine rotation with opportunities for experience in Wilderness Medicine, Emergency Ultrasound, and research. Medical students are integrated into the emergency team, participate in grand rounds, board rounds, procedure labs, and simulation cases. Students have the opportunity to see a high volume of patients and perform emergency procedures. Interested students are encouraged to apply early, especially if considering July through September rotation dates. Please contact Jennifer Dunbar by email at jennifer.l.dunbar2.civ@mail.mil to set up your rotation or interview.
OVERVIEW
The Residency at Madigan is the Army’s premier training program for Emergency Medicine. Madigan has been developing exceptional emergency physicians since 1980. Our program is demanding, but the atmosphere is one of teamwork and camaraderie. The program leadership recognizes the challenges of residency and supports an environment of mutual support among the residents. Our graduates are prepared to practice emergency medicine anywhere in the world, pass their board exams, and assume leadership positions in the Army and beyond. Madigan Emergency Medicine Program Graduates have gone on to careers in academic emergency medicine, Special Operations and the NASA Astronaut program.

THE FACULTY
The Madigan Faculty consists of almost 30 board-certified Emergency Physicians who are fully committed to the training and development of our residents. Many of our staff have completed additional fellowship training and earned degrees in Wilderness Medicine, Emergency Ultrasound, Sports Medicine, Legal Medicine, Pediatrics, and Toxicology. All of our staff have established records of excellence in teaching, administration, and research. The expertise, devotion, and approachability of the Madigan staff create an optimal learning atmosphere for our residents and an outstanding professional network for our graduates.

THE PROGRAM
Our 3-year curriculum has been fully endorsed by the ACGME to train 12 residents per year. The philosophy of our program is one of cooperative education. Residents work together to learn from one another, achieve professional goals, and decompress when the shift is finished. As residents progress through their training, faculty provide them with personalized mentoring for academic, professional and personal development, and to ensure they are set up for success upon completion of training. The program is outlined below.

EM-1: Emphasis is on developing a solid foundation of Emergency Medicine knowledge and an expert approach to the Emergency Department patient. Rotations include an Orientation Month (including a cadaver procedures course in Houston, TX and Advanced Wilderness Life Support on Mt. Rainier), 6 blocks in the Madigan ED, 1 block in the University of Washington (UW) ED, and 1 block each of Anesthesia, Ultrasound/EMS, and UW MICU.

EM-2: Emphasis is on developing efficiency in the ED, procedural expertise, and more independent practice as the resident demonstrates competency with increasingly complex patients. Rotations include 6 blocks in the Madigan ED, 1 block in the UW ED, 1 block in a community ED (St Pete’s, Olympia), and 1 block each of Trauma (Legacy Hospital, Portland), Neurosurgical ICU (Harborview, Seattle), Cardiac Critical Care Unit, Pediatric EM (Mary Bridge, Tacoma), and Toxicology.

EM-3: Emphasis is on the refinement of skill with orchestrating the care of multiple complex patients simultaneously, directing and teaching junior physicians, departmental leadership, literature appraisal, and evidence-based medicine. Rotations include 5 blocks in the Madigan ED, 1 block in a local community ED, and 1 block each of Trauma ICU (Level I Seattle Trauma Center), Harborview Trauma (Seattle), Pediatric EM, Madigan ICU, Community EM selective, an elective, and a variable amount of time as Chief Resident or Assistant Chief Resident.

THE HOSPITAL AND THE ED
Madigan Army Medical Center, a level II trauma center is a 450-bed hospital located in South Tacoma, about 50 miles from Seattle and 120 miles from Portland. The hospital provides exceptional care to Active Duty and other service members, dependents, retirees, and civilian emergencies. Approximately 60,000 patients are treated annually in the Madigan Emergency Medicine Department. The ED functions as a receiving facility for medical, surgical, and pediatric emergencies in the South Sound Area. The ED receives evacuated soldiers from war zones around the globe as well as climbers from Mount Rainier. Additionally, the ED serves as a base station for Mount Rainier National Park and for EMS services in the County, for which residents will field EMS calls. The volume, diversity, and acuity of illness and injury provide an optimal experience for the Emergency Medicine Resident and rotating residents and medical students.

THE PACIFIC NORTHWEST
The Pacific Northwest has countless opportunities for outdoor, cultural, and dining experiences. The Puget Sound region hosts a variety of concerts and sporting events, and has innumerable outstanding restaurants along with diverse cultural opportunities. Outdoor enthusiasts enjoy nearby fishing, crabbing, hiking, mountaineering, camping, skiing, and kayaking, at or around 3 local National Parks. For a weekend away, the San Juan Islands, Portland, as well as Victoria and Vancouver Canada are all within reach and are essential destinations for Washington residents.