



## RESEARCH PLAN DISCUSSION

The Combined Degree and Physician Scholar Programs Office is a resource for Perelman medical students who are conducting a year out of research. Based on feedback from past year-out students, we encourage you to proactively communicate with your mentor about plans and expectations for the year. It can be very helpful to cover certain topics within the first six weeks on the project, and then to revisit those topics every two months along the way to be sure your project and experience are progressing optimally.

Some suggested questions/topics include:

1. What is the hypothesis for the primary project?
2. What is the timeline for the primary project? (Can it be feasibly completed within the fellowship year?)
3. Who are the members of the lab/group that will be involved in the primary project?
4. What are the authorship expectations re abstracts and manuscripts coming from the primary project?
5. Is there an expectation of working on any side projects? If so, what are the authorship expectations re abstracts and manuscripts from these side projects?

**If you have questions about these suggestions or concerns about how your project is going, please contact Amy. She would be glad to meet with you and can also refer you to faculty advisors if needed.**

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