Wake Forest® School of Medicine

Critical Care Fellows



Blair Brown, MD

Class of 2020 Residency: Internal Medicine, Wake Forest School of Medicine, Winston-Salem, NC Medical School: Wake Forest School of Medicine, Winston-Salem, NC Career Goal: Critical Care Medicine

Hobbies: Film, literature, Spending time with family



David Chodos, MD

Class of 2020 Fellowship: Infectious Disease, Wake Forest School of Medicine, Winston-Salem, NC Residency: Internal Medicine, Memorial Health University Medical Center, Savannah, GA Medical School: St. Matthew's University School of Medicine, Grand Cayman

Career Goal: Critical Care and Infectious Diseases **Hobbies**: Hiking, woodworking, cooking



Nathan Cutler, MD

Class of 2020 **Residency: Internal Medicine**, Naval Medical Center Portsmouth, Portsmouth, VA **Medical School:** Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences, FE Hebert School of Medicine, Bethesda, MD

Career Goal: General Critical Care Medicine **Hobbies:** Live music, fitness



Jonathan Jaffe, MD Class of 2020 Residency: Emergency Medicine, WellSpan York Hospital, York, PA Medical School: University of Maryland School of Medicine, Baltimore, MD Career Goal: Critical Care and Emergency

Medicine

Hobbies: Watching baseball, going to concerts, playing with my dog, enjoying good food and beer



Braghadheeswar Thyagarajan, MD Class of 2020 Fellowship: Nephrology, Wake Forest School of Medicine, Winston-Salem, NC Residency: Internal Medicine, Monmouth Medical Center, NJ Medical School: Madras Medical College(IN)

Career Goal: Critical Care Medicine

Hobbies: Hiking, Playing Piano, Guitar

Why did you choose Wake Forest for your Critical Care Fellowship?

"There are many reasons why I chose Wake Forest for my Critical Care Fellowship. We have a phenomenal Critical Care Fellowship program where I have the remarkable opportunity to gain clinical experience in a myriad of ICU settings including the Medical ICU, CVICU, Neuro ICU, Surgical ICU, Trauma ICU, CCU and Medical Oncology ICU. As a critical care fellow, this provides me ample learning experience from a diverse patient population with distinct pathophysiology, varied clinical needs, and abundant procedural opportunities. The work-life balance is fantastic and we have wonderful collegiality with all our faculty and staff. Training under a Critical Care faculty team from a wide spectrum of medical backgrounds with unique management styles is an unparalleled learning experience to develop a strong foundation of core knowledge in Critical Care Medicine and to be a competent, efficient & versatile Intensivist."

- Dr. Braghadheeswar Thyagarajan, Class of 2020

"I chose Wake Forest for my Critical Care fellowship because of how well-rounded the curriculum is and because of how friendly and approachable the staff and faculty seemed to be. The balance of working in multiple different ICU settings instead of just a MICU is an incredible educational experience not available at all programs. The staff I met when I interviewed seemed genuinely enthusiastic about Critical Care and the education of future intensivists.

Additionally, coming from an emergency medicine background, I was extremely impressed by their history of taking EM residents and the promise of a fellowship that would both reinforce my previous path while recognizing my education thus far would have some gaps different from my co-fellows. Finally, coming from a little bit further north, I was excited to experience a unique healthcare system and gain exposure to a new approach to Critical Care." - Dr. Jonathan Jaffe, Class of 2020