

**MENTOR APPLICATION**

**Emory Spine Center for Outreach and  
Medical Education**

**EMORY UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF MEDICINE**

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**MEDICAL EDUCATION:**

<u>Degree</u>	<u>Institution (Name and Location)</u>	<u>Dates Attended</u>
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**RESIDENCY:**

<u>Institution and Location</u>	<u>Dates</u>
_____	_____
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**SPINE FELLOWSHIP**

<u>Institution and Location</u>	<u>Service</u>	<u>Chief of Service</u>	<u>Dates</u>
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**OTHER SPINE RELATED TRAINING**

<u>Institution</u>	<u>Degree</u>	<u>Dates</u>
1. _____		
2. _____		

**ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS (list most recent first)**

<u>Institution</u>	<u>Rank</u>	<u>Dates</u>
1. _____		
2. _____		
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Describe your current practice (volume, patient mix, days per week, academic/private, in clinic/OR/research/administration/teaching, etc.). Also, describe your time allocation.

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Describe your anticipated practice in 2009 – 2012 and when you might consider fully retiring.

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Describe any prior international medical experiences.

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Describe current or future teaching activities.

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Please list the number of spine cases you average per year in the following areas:

Degenerative	_____	Cervical	_____
Trauma	_____	Thoracic	_____
Deformity	_____	Lumbar	_____
Pediatric	_____		
Other	_____		

Indicate approximate experience and comfort level with the following procedures (0: no experience, I never do this; 10: Highly experienced, I do this frequently):

_____ ORIF Cervical Fracture Dislocation	_____ Posterior Thoracic Transpedicular Vertebral Resection
_____ Cervical Arthroplasty	_____ Anterior Thoracic Corpectomy for Tumor
_____ ACDF	_____ Kyphoplasty
_____ Cervical Corpectomy	_____ Open Approach Thoracotomy
_____ Laminoplasty	_____ Thoracoscopy
_____ C1 – C2 Screws	_____ Lumbar Corpectomy for Osteomyelitis
_____ Anterior Odontoid Fixation Resection	_____ Lumbar Laminectomy
_____ Thoracic Scoliosis	_____ Lumbar PSO
_____ Thoracic pedicle screws	

\_\_\_\_\_ Anterior Instrumentation for  
Burst fracture

\_\_\_\_\_ Endoscopic Fusion

\_\_\_\_\_ Iliac Screws

\_\_\_\_\_ Transpsoas Percutaneous  
Approach

\_\_\_\_\_ Endoscopic Lumbar  
Discectomy

\_\_\_\_\_ Percutaneous Pedicle Screws

\_\_\_\_\_ Sublaminar Wiring

ESCOME runs basic and advanced courses. The advanced courses will involve partner surgeons of Assistant Professor level or higher with at least three to five years of prior independent practice. Do you feel comfortable mentoring for both advanced and basic courses?

\_\_\_\_\_ Yes

\_\_\_\_\_ No

\_\_\_\_\_ No, Advanced Only

As a potential mentor for two emerging Chinese spine surgeons, what do you consider your unique strengths?

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List all Board Certifications and Recertifications.

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**Use additional pages, if necessary, for the following:**

Do you have any physical disabilities or significant health problems? (Please explain)

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Are there any pending/past malpractice cases in which you have been named? (Please explain)

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Have your hospital privileges ever been restricted, revoked, or suspended? (Please explain)

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Has your license ever been revoked, restricted, or suspended? (Please explain)

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List all states in which you have been or are currently licensed to practice, including license number and current status:

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Have you had any drug, alcohol, or disciplinary problems? (Please explain)

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Mentors for each course are carefully matched with partner surgeons recognizing areas of expertise and understanding that no one is an expert in every single spine procedure. Are there any areas of surgical spine (e.g. age, anatomic region, pathology, technique, etc.) where you do not feel comfortable teaching?

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Please list two references who know you personally and professionally.

Name

Contact Information

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## ESCOME Mentor Fact Sheet

### ESCOME Mission:

The Emory Spine Center for Outreach and Medical Education (ESCOME) seeks to respond to the widespread lack of care for spine disease in enormous, underserved populations by providing high caliber spine training for doctors in developing countries and by assisting with the establishment of self-sustaining spine centers in those countries where appropriate need and infrastructure have been demonstrated. The program synergizes the unique contributions of Emory University (medicine, international education, languages, political science, business, international law, and outcomes research), expert surgeon mentors (skill training, clinical judgment, and professional relationships), corporate sponsors (medical education, practice development, clinical assessment and interventional technologies) and other contributing Foundations. The ESCOME paradigm differs from typical “observation” training of medical education (1-3 day conferences or courses) and medical outreach (U.S. physicians go overseas to hospitals that remain dependent). Over a three-year cycle, selected partner surgeons from developing countries (initially China) will be brought to the U. S., paired with experienced spine surgeon mentors, and trained in fundamental spine care techniques through an intensive one-month core curriculum and mentor visitation experience. Upon returning home, the partner surgeons will establish centers for spine care with ongoing weekly support and biannually visitations from their U.S. mentors and the ESCOME.

### Mentor Benefits:

- New professional challenges
- Handing down your expertise to young surgeons.
- New personal friendships in China
- Ability to work in a cutting-edge training facility (Emory University).
- International experience learning about China and its medical system.
- A chance to give back to the global community in meaningful ways.
- A chance to participate in building a program in China with long-term benefits.
- You are giving your time and expertise to two emerging expert Chinese surgeons.

### Mentor Commitments:

- Presence at a two to three week skill transfer training program at Emory University.
- Host two Chinese partner surgeons for one to six weeks at your home facility.
- Once a week / prn computer links with partner surgeons to discuss cases.
- Four seven-to-ten day visits to China over the next two years for on-site skill enhancement training with partner surgeons.

### ESCOME Commitments:

- Travel will be provided to Emory University for the skill-transfer training.
- Business Class travel will be provided for the trips to China for site visits with partner surgeons.
- Lodging and meals will be provided by ESCOME in Atlanta and Chinese partners when in China during travel.
- Reasonable expenses related to the program will be reimbursed.
- Communication expenses with partner surgeons will be covered by ESCOME.