

**The International Consortium of Longitudinal Integrated Clerkships (CLIC)
announces
a Request of Proposals (RFP)
to host the 2024 CLIC international meeting.**

Deadline for applications is 15 May, 2023. Applications should be submitted to Ian Couper, icouper@sun.ac.za

Background

LICs are

“characterized by being the central element of clinical education whereby medical students: (1) participate in the comprehensive care of patients over time, (2) participate in continuing learning relationships with these patients clinicians, and (3) meet the majority of the year’s core clinical competencies, across multiple disciplines simultaneously through these experiences (International Consortium on Longitudinal Integrated Clerkships, 2007).” (Med Teach. 2012;34:548–554).

CLIC is

the international Consortium of Longitudinal Integrated Clerkships--an organized movement of educators, clinicians, administrative leaders, and researchers dedicated to “meaningful transformation of clinical education to meet a range of goals: to improve clinical education through innovation at science or research-oriented, workforce-oriented and rural-oriented schools; to study and describe LICs in order to encourage research in medical education; to foster improved recruitment and retention of doctors in underserved areas; to advance the social accountability and community engagement of medical education; to enhance humanism and patient-centredness in medical education; to explore the potential of workplace learning, and to challenge orthodoxies that inhibit the transformation of medical education.” (Med Educ. 2011;45:436–437).

Determination of conference site arises from CLIC core values

CLIC values

- Value of the movement - its vision, history, and progressive educational nature
- Value of community - inclusive, supportive, mission-driven
- Value of engaging in discussion, deliberation, and sharing ideas openly
- Value of developing, supporting, and advancing new and existing programs

Criteria for selection

Primary criteria (arising from CLIC values)

1. *Would hosting the conference at this location help grow the CLIC movement’s goals nationally and internationally?*
2. *Would hosting the conference advance LICs both in this institution and in this region?*
3. *Are the initial discussions with leaders of the institution (outlining support) promising?*
4. *Is the proposal likely to advance participants’ engaging in robust discourse?*
5. *Is the proposal likely to advance our understanding of this field—new insights into LICs and progress in medical education?*

Secondary criteria

- *Regional diversity (this led to the general notion of alternating between North America and elsewhere in the world)*
- *Although repeat sites are invited and encouraged (i.e., are not precluded a priori), we welcome new sites*
- *Rural and urban diversity of host/site*
- *Community and academic diversity of host/site*
- *Accessible for travel when possible*
- *Keeping costs down, including travel costs, conference costs*
- *Possibility for a group activity (like a pre-conference or post-conference adventure)*

Process

CLIC Steering Committee (comprised of hosts of prior CLIC meetings) will

- Vote on applications based on the above criteria
- Notify applicants of selection