Overall Educational Goal
This elective introduces students to the field of breast surgical oncology, with an emphasis on multidisciplinary patient care.

Goals and Objectives
1. Students will obtain a comprehensive educational experience in breast surgical oncology.
2. Students will understand the multidisciplinary aspects of the management of the breast surgical oncology patient.

Brief Description of Activities
This course will consist of a one-month multidisciplinary surgical oncology rotation focusing on the care of the breast cancer patient. The student will spend 3 to 4 days per week with a breast surgical oncologist in the clinic and the operating room. One to two days per week will be spent with a physician in a complimentary field such as medical oncology, radiation oncology, genetics, plastic surgery or radiology. The student will attend the weekly Surgical Oncology conference and the weekly Breast Oncology conference.

Method of Evaluation
Each student is evaluated by the faculty at an evaluation meeting with a consensus evaluation. In this elective, students are NOT evaluated by residents or fellows. Students are evaluated in the areas of knowledge, clinical competence and professional conduct.

Prerequisites:
Completion of the 3rd year Surgery clerkship is required. The elective is available to third year students who meet the prerequisite.