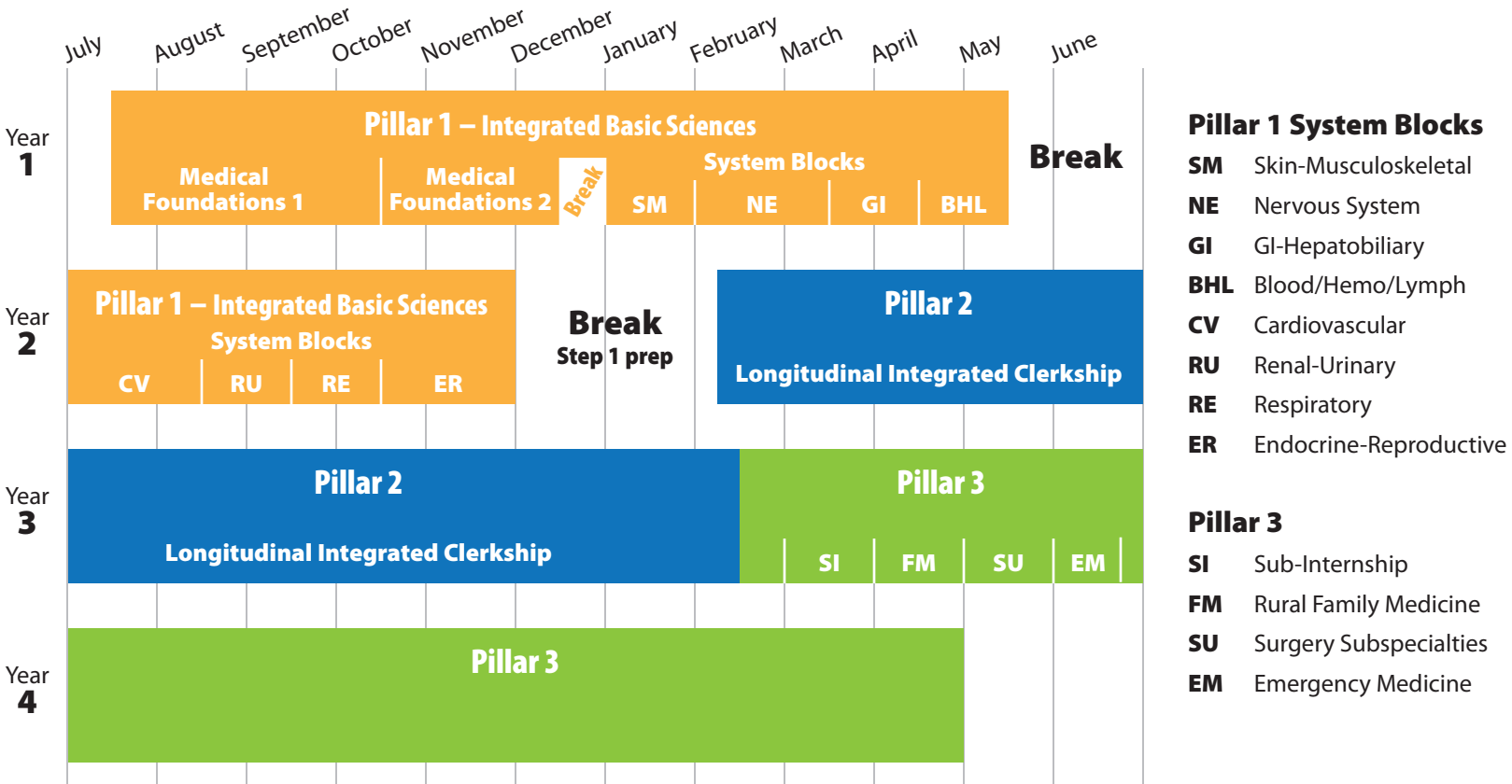




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# Three Pillar Curriculum



## Pillar 1 System Blocks

- SM** Skin-Musculoskeletal
- NE** Nervous System
- GI** GI-Hepatobiliary
- BHL** Blood/Hemo/Lymph
- CV** Cardiovascular
- RU** Renal-Urinary
- RE** Respiratory
- ER** Endocrine-Reproductive

## Pillar 3

- SI** Sub-Internship
- FM** Rural Family Medicine
- SU** Surgery Subspecialties
- EM** Emergency Medicine

## Pillar 1

Foundational biomedical sciences are integrated into two foundations courses and eight organ system blocks with limited lectures, early clinical exposure, case-based small groups and simulation.

## Pillar 2

Clinical clerkships in core disciplines are integrated into a longitudinal outpatient experience including short hospital-based blocks and a rural family medicine block. Frontier and Rural Medicine (FARM) Program students accomplish Pillar 2 in rural communities across the state.

## Pillar 3

The final 17 months include surgery sub-specialties, sub-internships, emergency medicine and rural family medicine. Students also have generous opportunities for electives, research, out-of-state and global experiences.