Ultrasound Distinction

Ultrasound Distinction is a designation signifying that a student has met a standard of ultrasound excellence by actively engaging in learning ultrasound above and beyond basic USIG participation. This designation is an achievement intended to demonstrate a student’s excellence in ultrasound and provide an objective measure of students’ accomplishments in ultrasound education.

Meeting Ultrasound Distinction Standards

- Complete a total of 35 points. At least 10 points must come from each of the three ultrasound categories below.
- Complete and log ≥ 150 ultrasound scans. Complete at least 25 scans per category in 4 of the ultrasound scan categories below.

3 Categories of Points

Participation

- Attending USIG activities (meetings and workshops 1 pt each, practice lab 0.5 pts)
- Modeling at USIG or other UK ultrasound workshops (2 pts)
- Teaching at USIG workshops (2 pts each)
- Tutoring in open lab (1 pt)
- Mentoring junior USIG members (0.5 pts per hr)
- Attending an ultrasound conference (4 pts)

Scanning

- Logging 25 scans in each of the core scanning areas (2 pts for each completed)
  - Categories: FAST, Aorta, Renal, Pulmonary, Cardiac, Biliary, Soft Tissue, MSK, Procedural, OB/GYN, and Other
- Completion of 1 semester of ultrasound elective (5 pts)

Didactics

- Completing USIG learning modules (1 pt per module)
- Read a chapter of Introduction to Bedside Ultrasound (1 pt per chapter)
- Write a up a Quick Hits about an ultrasound scan (2 pts each)
- Write a Case of the Month for your USIG chapter (2 pts each)