

Scheduling with CORE: SmartMatch Features & FAQ's

CORE's **SmartMatch Scheduling** is an expertly designed algorithm that automates the matching of students, sites, and preceptors based on a number of customizable rules and preferences of your choosing.



SMARTMATCH FEATURES:

Student preference option ✓

Allow students to research available preceptors/sites and rank their top choices in the ELMS Research Center. Preferences will be taken into account when running the SmartMatch scheduling process.

Enable student selection by site ✓

Allows you to hide individual availability dates and instead allow the student to make one selection for a preceptor or site, while bulk-selecting all of the availability behind the scenes. This also allows for a better chance of the student getting that preceptor in the SmartMatch.

Unique scheduling flags ✓

Ensure a student will not get the same preceptor, site, or course more than once for any given rotation type.

Faculty-only match ✓

Select this feature when running the SmartMatch to include and prioritize only the individuals that have been flagged as faculty, allowing you to maximize your faculty availability. You can also limit the total number of faculty members a student can be scheduled to.

Site Prospector ✓

Allow students to research and submit non-affiliated sites for approval. Also an option for students to request availability from existing preceptors through the site prospector.

Prioritize students & preceptors/sites ✓

Allows you to rank students behind the scenes (for example, by GPA) so the scheduling algorithm will look at those students first. You can also categorize preceptors/sites as having a certain rank in order to prioritize them.

First-come, First-serve option ✓

Toggle this optional setting to remove availability from the student research center once the number of students who have preferenced it equals the number of slots available.

Student Work Schedules ✓

Option to ensure that a student does not get scheduled to a site they currently are employed at.

Ability to lock or clear schedules ✓

When running the match, you can not only lock or clear in bulk, but you can also do it one-by-one, giving more control and flexibility on the overall process.

Run SmartMatch by course/rank ✓

Another way to customize your SmartMatch is to select specific priority courses and run only those courses first, allowing you to prioritize certain courses over others.

Back-to-back & pre-req rotations ✓

Link rotations together using chain availability. For example, you can link preceptors or different rotation types/dates, which would ensure that any student receiving the first schedule would automatically receive the next linked schedule in the chain.

Set radius based on zip codes or region ✓

This setting allows you to establish a mileage radius to ensure that the student is scheduled somewhere closer to their physical location or within a specific zip code.

Restrict Scheduling of Overlapping Rotation Dates ✓

Enable this setting to prevent students from getting scheduled to rotation dates that overlap.

Frequently Asked Questions about SmartMatch Scheduling:

Is it a 'lottery'?

No, our SmartMatch Scheduling algorithm matches each student to their highest possible preference based on the rules and priorities that have been incorporated into each school's algorithm settings.

How long do I have to wait to receive SmartMatch Scheduling results?

There is no waiting and no down time - SmartMatch Scheduling can be managed by a school Administrator with the click of a button and results are INSTANT!

Is there a way I can match students to their top preferences?

CORE's SmartMatch can be run with the top priority of matching as many top choices as possible.

Can we prioritize certain faculty, preceptors, or sites to be assigned to students?

Yes, many of our schools will match faculty with students first before non-faculty, or have certain sites that they prioritize in an attempt to fill all of their availability.

What other optional rules can be incorporated into CORE's SmartMatch?

Global Preferencing (top choices across all rotation types), unique scheduling by preceptor/site/course (so students are not assigned to the same location and/or experience twice), ranking students for prioritization, longitudinal rotations, application required rotations, and much more!