Course Objectives and Description
The ACS Comprehensive General Surgery Review Course provides a three-and-a-half-day intensive review of the essential content areas in general surgery. Expert faculty will use a combination of didactic and case-based formats to create an efficient review while enhancing understanding and retention. Other materials, such as pre- and posttests, also will be used. The course is a pragmatic review designed to focus on practice issues; it may be helpful in preparing for examinations. Self-assessment credit will be available.

Course Content
Expert faculty members will use didactic and case-based formats to address topics within essential content areas in general surgery, including:

- Alimentary Tract
- Endocrine & Soft Tissue
- Oncology
- Perioperative Care
- Skin and Breast
- Surgical Critical Care
- Trauma
- Vascular

Course Faculty
Faculty for the course includes nationally renowned surgeons with expertise in developing and teaching review courses. Core and guest faculty members are:

CORE FACULTY
John A. Weigelt, MD, DVM, MMA, FACS | Course Chair
Professor of Surgery
Sanford Health, Sioux Falls, SD
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**Course Registration**

Please register online. Space is limited, and registrations will be accepted on a first-come, first-served basis. Additional details are provided at facs.org/gsreviewcourse.

**Course Fee**

The course fee includes all course materials, including pre- and posttests. Continental breakfasts, lunches, and refreshment breaks also will be provided. Course fees are $2,190 for ACS members and $2,490 for nonmembers.

**Cancellations**

The course fees will be refunded if written cancellation is received at the College no later than October 18, 2019. A $50 handling fee will be retained for all refunds. Registrants who cancel after October 18 will not receive a refund unless an alternate from the course’s official waiting list can be confirmed. Cancellations may be submitted by e-mail to registration@facs.org.

**Course Location and Hours**

The course will be held at the Swissôtel Chicago, 323 East Wacker Drive, Chicago, IL 60601. Please plan to arrive in Chicago on Wednesday evening. The course will convene at 7:00 am on Thursday and conclude by 12:00 noon on Sunday.

**Hotel Accommodations**

Hotel accommodations will also be at the Swissôtel Chicago. Reservations can be made by contacting the hotel at 888-737-9477 or 800-441-1414. Please reference “ACS Comprehensive General Surgery Review Course” when calling to make reservations in the group block. The special discounted group rate is $239 plus tax per night for single/double occupancy. The hotel will honor this rate only until the room block fills or until Wednesday, October 23, 2019. To make hotel reservations online, please visit https://book.passkey.com/go/cgsr2019.

**Registration Questions**

Please contact Registration Services at registration@facs.org or 312-202-5244.

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Please contact Hurschell Mathews, Jr. at hmathews@facs.org or 312-202-5732; or Melanie Thorsen at mthorsen@facs.org.

**Accreditation**

The American College of Surgeons is accredited by the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (ACCME) to provide continuing medical education for physicians.

**CME Credit**

The American College of Surgeons designates this live activity for a maximum of 28 AMA PRA Category 1 Credits™. Physicians should claim only the credit commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity.

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Dr. Weigelt recently retired from the Medical College of Wisconsin (MCW), where he was the Milt & Lidy Lunda/Charles Aprahamian Professor of Trauma Surgery, as well as professor and chief, division of trauma and critical care. He has joined the University of South Dakota and the Sanford Health System as a professor of surgery. In his more than 30 years as an ACS Fellow, Dr. Weigelt has been very involved in ACS’s trauma-related activities. He has been a member of the ACS Committee on Trauma (COT) since 1992, serving as COT Chair (1994–1998), COT Membership Committee Chair (1998–2004), and COT Region 6 Chief (1989–1992), as well as serving on the National Faculty of the Advanced Trauma Life Support® (ATLS) program since 1983. Dr. Weigelt has also been active in the College’s educational programs. He has been an author and on the Advisory Committee of the Surgical Education and Self-Assessment Program (SESAP®) and has served as Medical Director since 2001. He helped start the ACS Comprehensive General Surgery Review Course and has functioned as Course Director since its beginning in 2010. He has been recognized as a premier surgical educator, twice earning the Wangensteen Award for Excellence in Teaching (1993, 1999) and the MCW Teacher of the Year Award (2004, 2010) as well as the Association for Surgical Education Outstanding Teacher Award (2002). In 2013, Dr. Weigelt was elected to the Giants in Surgery by the Southwestern Medical Center and Parkland Hospital, both in Dallas. In 2015, he received the ACS Distinguished Service Award (DSA). Dr. Weigelt is editor-in-chief emeritus of the Journal of Surgical Education and the audio Practical Reviews in General Surgery. He was editor of the Journal of Surgical Outcomes (2002–2007), as well as associate editor with Selected Readings in General Surgery (SRGS®) (1989–1996). He has published more than 160 medical journal articles, written more than 50 book chapters, and been a contributing or associate editor of more than 60 entries in SRGS. He has been awarded 19 research grants during his career.

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Dr. Kastenmeier obtained his medical degree from the University of Wisconsin Medical School in Madison. Following his general surgery residency at the University of Utah in Salt Lake City, he completed a fellowship in minimally invasive gastrointestinal surgery at Legacy Health in Portland, Oregon. He is associate professor of surgery at the Medical College of Wisconsin, where he has leadership roles in medical student, resident, and surgical fellow education. His clinical interests include minimally invasive (laparoscopic) surgery of the gastrointestinal tract, minimally invasive surgery for reflux disease and hiatal hernias, advanced endoscopic surgery of the stomach and esophagus, and hernia repair surgery. His research focus is on clinical outcomes in foregut surgery, surgical education, hernia repair, and advanced endoscopic surgery. He is a minimally invasive surgeon who serves on national committees and has membership in key surgical professional societies.
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Dr. McIntyre obtained his medical degree from Tulane University School of Medicine. He completed surgical internship and residency at the University of Colorado Health Sciences Center and is board certified in surgery and in surgical critical care. He joined the faculty of the University of Colorado Health Sciences Center in 1992. He is currently the Cynthia and John H. Schultz Professor and chief, division of GI, trauma, and endocrine surgery. Dr. McIntyre is also the medical director of endocrine surgery and medical director of the trauma-acute care surgery services at the University of Colorado Hospital. He performs approximately 300 endocrine surgical procedures each year, including thyroidectomy, parathyroidectomy, neck dissection, adrenalectomy, and pancreatic resection. He has published 185 manuscripts and 57 book chapters. He is the editor of the textbook Surgical Decision Making. He has given over 200 invited lectures and visiting professorship presentations and 150 research presentations. He has served in positions of leadership and is on numerous national committees.

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Dr. Moore is professor of surgery and the chief of surgical critical care at the University of Texas McGovern Medical School in Houston, Texas. Dr. Moore completed her general surgery training at the Rush-Cook County Integrated Surgical Residency in Chicago, IL and completed her fellowship training in surgical critical care at the University of Texas in Houston. She is medical director of the Shock Trauma Intensive Care Unit at the Red Duke Trauma Institute at Memorial Hermann Hospital in Houston, the busiest ACS-Verified Level 1 trauma center in the United States. Her clinical practice is focused in trauma surgery and critical care. Her main areas of research interest include the use of resuscitative endovascular balloon occlusion of the aorta (REBOA) in hemorrhagic shock resuscitation, application of computerized clinical decision support in the ICU, and surgical infections. Dr. Moore is actively involved in multiple national organizations, including the ACS, the National Board of Medical Examiners, and the American Association for the Surgery of Trauma. She also serves as National Co-Director for the ACS BEST course.

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