This postgraduate workshop has been designed for gynecologists with advanced laparoscopic skills who desire to master retroperitoneal and Space of Retzius anatomy and the various surgeries performed therein, including the performance of TVT/TOT surgery and cystoscopy.

These goals are achieved using unembalmed female cadavers in an extensive two-day course of lectures and hands-on laparoscopic experience. No more than three participants are assigned to each cadaver and are closely supervised by experienced faculty instructors, including some of the most outstanding physicians in this field. The faculty members are selected based on surgical experience as well as expertise in teaching in this setting.

During each hour of hands on experience with the cadaver, each participant will operate, assist and observe. With this rotational format, participants learn pelvic anatomy and laparoscopic suturing skills in a meaningful manner. Faculty members will lead participants through procedures such as pelvic sidewall dissection, preparation for laparoscopic hysterectomy, uterosacral colposuspension, Burch retropubic colposuspension, and paravaginal defect repairs through the laparoscopic approach. Breakout sessions will highlight:

1. The use of TVT/TOT with application and insertion techniques
2. Laparoscopic suturing sessions with trainers and faculty teachers
3. Energy modality stations (energy devices, morcellators etc.)

This workshop is limited to 30 participants, so we encourage you to register today. This course is in its 14th year and has been highly acclaimed by attendees from around the world.

**Learning Objectives:** At the conclusion of this two-day course of lectures and hands-on dissection of human, fresh frozen cadavers, the participants will be able to: 1) Demonstrate knowledge of the surgical anatomy of the female pelvis; 2) perform surgical skills through hands-on dissection of retroperitoneal spaces and pelvic sidewall; 3) analyze knowledge of the surgical anatomy of the female pelvis; 4) confront difficulties encountered during laparoscopic suturing and presents different suturing techniques; and 5) perform cystoscopy and the TVT/TOT procedure.
11:00  Laparoscopic Suturing ................................................................. J.L. Hudgens
11:40  Questions & Answers ................................................................. All Faculty
12:00  Working Lunch
     Video: Laparoscopic Dissection and Laparoscopic Suturing ............. J.L. Hudgens
1:00-5:00  Hands-on Cadaver Dissection
          (3 participants per cadaver)
          •  Review Surface Anatomy of the Pelvis
          •  Anatomy and Technique of Performing Uterosacral Ligament Suspension
          •  Retroperitoneal Spaces, Vessels, Nerves Dissection
          •  Dissection of Pelvic Sidewall

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8:00  ARS Quiz on Pelvic Anatomy and Laparoscopic Skills
8:15  Pearls of Laparoscopic Hysterectomy ................................. R.P. Pasic
8:40  Laparoscopic Treatment of Apical Prolapse ............................. D.L. Giles
9:20  Slings and Things ................................................................. D.J. Levine
9:45  FAQ’s from Attendees and AAGL ListServ® ....................... A.I. Brill, G.M. Janik, R.P. Pasic
10:00 Complications of Laparoscopy and How to Avoid Them .......... R.P. Pasic
10:40 Question & Answer Session
10:50 Refreshment Break
11:00 Hands-on Cadaver Dissection
          •  Anatomy and Refined Techniques of Performing Laparoscopic Hysterectomy
          •  Dissection of the Space of Retzius
          •  Laparoscopic Suturing
1:00  Lunch
1:30  Hands-on Cadaver Dissection – Continued
          •  Laparoscopic Repair of Bowel, Bladder and Ureteral Injury
          •  Review of Laparoscopic Anatomy
          •  Vaginal Pelvic Floor Reconstruction using TVT, Trans Obturator Slings, TVT Secure
4:30  Complete Evaluation Forms -- Adjourn