Duke University School of Medicine - M.D. Program
Academic Calendar

Approved by Curriculum Committee: 3/3/2021

2021-2022

FIRST YEAR

COURSE DIRECTOR NOTE: Grades are due within 4 weeks of the last day of class for each section

Fall Term 2021

August
2 – 6  Introduction to the Profession –
   MANDATORY ATTENDANCE
6     Friday, SoM Annual Medical Student
      Research Symposium - MANDATORY
      ATTENDANCE
9     Monday, Begin class, Clinical Skills Training
      Immersion
20    Friday, End class, Clinical Skills Training Immersion
23    Monday, Begin, Foundations of Patient Care 1

September
6     Monday, Labor Day, student holiday

November
3-9   Wednesday, 8:30am - Registration for
      Spring 2022 opens; Tuesday, 1:00pm
      Registration closes (subject to change)
23    Tuesday, 6:00 p.m. Begin Thanksgiving
      student holiday
29    Monday, Class resumes, Foundation Patient Care 1

December
17    Friday, 5:00 p.m., Begin Winter Break for 1st year
      Medical Students

January
1     Saturday- New Year’s Day Holiday observed
3     Monday, resume Foundations of Patient Care 1
17    Monday, Martin Luther King, Jr., student holiday
31    Monday, at noon, End class Foundation of Patient
      Care 1

Spring Term 2022

February
1     Tuesday, Begin class, Foundations of Patient Care 2

March
19    Saturday, Begin Spring Break MS1
27    Sunday, end Spring Break MS1
28    Monday, resume Foundations of Patient Care 2

May
30    Monday – Memorial Day Holiday – student holiday

June
20    Monday – Juneteenth Holiday – student holiday

July
1     Friday, 5:00 pm, End class, Foundations of Patient
      Care 2
SECOND YEAR

COURSE DIRECTOR NOTE: Grades are due within 4 weeks of the last day of class for each section

Fall Term 2021

August
2  Monday, Begin Clinical Skills Course - Intensive, 8:00 a.m.
3  Tuesday, MS2 students register on-line for fall selectives
6  Friday, SoM Annual Medical Student Research Symposium - MANDATORY ATTENDANCE
20  Friday, End Clinical Skills Course - Intensive
23  Monday, Begin sections 21, 41, and 81
25  Wednesday, 3:00 p.m., Begin Class Clinical Skills Course (longitudinal)

September
3  Friday, End section 21
6  Monday, Labor Day, student holiday
7  Tuesday, Begin Section 22
15  Wednesday 3:00 p.m., Begin Cultural Determinates of Health & Health Disparities
17  Friday, End sections 22 and 41
20  Monday, Begin sections 23 and 42
22  Wednesday 3:00 p.m., Begin Clinical Skills Foundation 2

October
1  Friday, End section 23
4  Monday, Begin section 24
13  Wednesday, End section 81, except PEDS & OBGYN
15  Friday, End sections 24, 42, 81 PEDS & OBGYN
18  Monday, Begin sections 25, 43, and 82
29  Friday, End section 25

November
2  Monday, Begin section 26
3-9 Wed., 8:30am - Tues., 1:00 p.m., on-line registration for MS2 spring selectives
12  Friday, End sections 26 and 43
15  Monday, Begin sections 27 and 44
24  Wednesday, End section 27
24 – Wednesday, noon, Begin Thanksgiving holiday
25  Thursday – Sunday, no classes due to Thanksgiving holiday
29  Monday, classes resume; Begin section 28

December
10  Friday, End sections 28, 44, and 82
11  Begin winter break

Spring Term 2022

January
1  Saturday, New Year’s Day, student holiday observed
3  Monday, Begin sections 21, 41, and 81
14  Friday, End section 21
17  Monday, Martin Luther King, Jr., student holiday
18  Tuesday, Begin section 22
28  Friday, End classes in sections 22 and 41
31  Monday, Begin classes in sections 23 and 42

February
11  Friday, End classes in section 23
14  Monday, Begin section 24
23  Wednesday, End section 81, except PEDS & OBGYN
25  Friday, End sections 24, 42, and 81 PEDS & OBGYN
28  Monday, Begin sections 25, 43, and 82

March
9-15  MS2 students register for summer selectives
11  Friday, End section 25
14  Monday, Begin section 26
25  Friday, End sections 26 and 43
28  Monday, Begin sections 27 and 44

April
8  Friday, End section 27
11  Monday, Begin section 28
20  Wednesday, End section 82, except PEDS & OBGYN
22  Friday, End section 28, 44, and 82 PEDS & OBGYN
23  Saturday, Begin Spring Break Begins
TBD  MS3 Registration for Fall opens

Summer Term 2022

May
1  Sunday, End Spring Break
2  Monday, Begin sections 21, 41, and 81
13  Friday, End section 21
16  Monday, Begin section 22
25  Wednesday, End Cultural Determinates of Health & Health Disparities
27  Friday, End sections 22 and 41
27  Friday, noon deadline for rising Third Yr. (MED3)
Registration form to Third Year Coordinator
30  Monday, Memorial Day Holiday – student holiday
31  Tuesday, Begin sections 23 and 42

June
3  Friday, Online Registration - 3rd Year, Fall ends
10  Friday, End section 23
13  Monday, Begin section 24
15  Wednesday, End Clinical Skills Foundation 2
20  Monday – Juneteenth Holiday – student holiday
22  Wednesday, End section 81, except PEDS & OBGYN
24  Friday, End sections 24, 42, and 81 PEDS & OBGYN
27  Monday, Begin sections 25, 43 and 82

July
4  Monday, Independence Day, student holiday observed
8  Friday, End section 25
11  Monday, Begin section 26
22  Friday, End classes in sections 26 and 43
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**Mandatory Clinical Skills Assessment due by Dec. 2022**
**THIRD YEAR**

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**Fall Term 2021**

- **August**
  - 6: Friday, SoM Annual Medical Student Research Symposium - MANDATORY ATTENDANCE
  - 23: Monday, Third Year Begins

- **September**
  - 6: Monday, Labor Day, student holiday
  - 13: Monday, MS3 Begin section 42

- **October**
  - 9: Saturday, MS3 End Section 42
  - 11: Monday, MS3 Begin section 43
  - 14: Thursday, MS3 Begin QMDM-Medical Statistics

- **November**
  - 3-9: Wed., 8:30 am – spring registration opens; Tues., 1:00 p.m. MS3 registration for spring closes.
  - 6: Saturday, MS3 End section 43
  - 8: Monday, MS3 Begin section 44
  - 25-29: Thursday – Sunday, Begin Thanksgiving, student holiday
  - 29: Monday, Classes resume

- **December**
  - 9: Thursday, MS3 End QMDM-Medical Statistics
  - 10: Friday, MS3 fall term end section 44
  - 11: Saturday, Winter Break begins

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**Spring Term 2022**

- **January**
  - 1: Saturday, New Year’s Day – student holiday observed
  - 3: Monday, Research Resumes
  - 11: Tuesday, Begin Quantitative Medicine & Decision Making II
  - 17: Monday, Martin Luther King, Jr., student holiday

- **March**
  - 9-15: MS2 students register for summer

- **April**
  - 7: Thursday, End Quantitative Medicine & Decision Making II
  - 8: Friday, End Spring term

- **Summer Term 2022**
  - 18: Monday, Begin Summer Term

- **May**
  - 30: Monday, Memorial Day holiday – student holiday

- **June**
  - 20: Monday – Juneteenth Holiday – student holiday

- **July**
  - 4: Monday, Independence Day, student holiday observed

- **August**
  - 5: Friday, SoM Annual Medical Student Research Symposium - MANDATORY ATTENDANCE

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The thesis due date is dependent on the approved start date and track (10, 11, 12 month). Third year start dates and thesis deadlines must be approved PRIOR to the third year registration form due date.

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**Research Ethics due 30 days after start date**
## Summer Term 2021

**March**
- 10-16: Wednesday, 8:30 a.m. – Tuesday, 1:00 p.m.
  Registration for rising MS4, summer
  *(dates subject to change)*
- 17: Thursday, 8:30 a.m., Drop/Add begins for summer
  43, 44
- 31: Wednesday, 8:30 a.m. Registration for Rising MS4, fall opens

**April**
- 6: Tuesday, 1:00 p.m. registration closes
- 7: Wednesday, 8:30 a.m. – Drop/Add for Fall opens.
  *(dates subject to change)*
- 19: Monday, Begin classes in sections 81, 41

**May**
- 15: Saturday, 12:00 noon – End classes in section 41
- 17: Monday, Begin classes in section 42
- 31: Monday, Memorial Day – student holiday

**June**
- 1: Tues., 1:00 p.m. – Drop/Add Ends for summer, sections 82, 43, 44 (MS4)
- 12: Saturday, 12:00 noon, End classes in sections 81, 42
- 14: Monday, Begin classes in sections 82, 43

**July**
- 5: Monday, Independence Day, student holiday observed
- 10: Saturday, 12:00 noon, end classes section 43
- 12: Monday, Begin classes in section 44
- 30: Friday, 1:00pm, Drop/Add Fall sections 41, 42, 81 (MS4) ends

**August**
- 6: Friday, SoM Annual Medical Student Research Symposium - MANDATORY ATTENDANCE
- 7: Saturday, 12:00 noon, End classes in sections 82, 44

**Fall Term 2021**

**August**
- 23: Monday, MS4 Begin section 41, section 81, Capstone

**September**
- 6: Monday, Labor Day, student holiday
- 18: Saturday, MS4 End section 41
- 20: Monday, MS4 Begin section 42
- 24: Friday, MS4, GRADES FOR 41 ARE DUE

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## Spring Term 2022

**January**
- 1: Saturday, New Year’s Day – student holiday
- 3: Monday, MS4 Begin sections 41, 81
- 17: Monday, Martin Luther King, Jr., student holiday
- 29: Saturday, End section 41
- 31: Monday, Begin section 42

**February**
- 5: Saturday, Drop/Add period for spring, sections 82, 43, 44 closes. (MS4) *43 Capstone required*
- 26: Saturday, End sections 42 and 81
- 28: Monday, Begin section 43 – CAPSTONE - Mandatory

**March**
- 18: Friday, MS4 MATCH DAY
- 25: Friday, MS4 End section 43, CAPSTONE
- 28: Monday, Begin section 44

**April**
- 23: Saturday, MS4 End section 44

**May**
- 3: Tuesday, ALL MS4 Grades Due (to clear students for Graduation)
- 6–8: Friday through Sunday, Graduation Activities

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**NOTE:** ALL GRADES MUST BE SUBMITTED TO THE OFFICE OF THE REGISTRAR BY SPECIFIED DATE IN ORDER FOR STUDENTS TO BE APPROVED FOR GRADUATION

*(Calendar and Registration dates are Subject to Change)*
ACADEMIC CALENDAR KEY

16 – Full length of the term
21 – 1st two-week selective of term
22 – 2nd two-week selective of term
23 – 3rd two-week selective of term
24 – 4th two-week selective of term
25 – 5th two-week selective of term
26 – 6th two-week selective of term
27 – 7th two-week selective of term
28 – 8th two-week selective of term
41 – 1st four weeks of term
42 – 2nd four weeks of term
43 – 3rd four weeks of term
44 – 4th four weeks of term
81 – 1st eight weeks of term
82 – 2nd eight weeks of term

Approved School of Medicine Holidays for Medical Students - *(subject to change)*

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