

Policy Statement Regarding Student Work Hours

The following adapted ACGME work hour rules have been incorporated as the MUSOM Policy Statement Regarding Student Work Hours:

- Students must not be scheduled for more than 80 clinical duty hours a week on average over 4 weeks.
- Exceptions may be made for one time clinical lectures, OCSE's or other educational activities that do not involve direct patient care. Students will be notified when these exceptions occur. Every effort should be taken to minimize these exceptions.
- Students must have one day in seven free of patient care activities.
- Students must not be on overnight call more frequently than every third night.
- Students must not be expected to be on call for more than 24 hours, with an added period of up to 6 hours for continuity, educational debriefing and didactic activities. Students should not be expected to evaluate new patients after 24 hours.
- A minimum of 10 hours rest period should be provided between clinical duty periods.
- Clerkship Directors will provide the Office of Medical Education with a breakdown of required hours for their specific clerkships on an annual basis.

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