



Academic Requirements for Successful Completion of Phase 1 (PreClerkship Phase) of the MD Curriculum

This policy only applies to students enrolled in the revised MD curriculum starting in July' 2020

Promotional eligibility **from** Phase 1 of the MD curriculum requires successful achievement of all of the following academic benchmarks—

1. Students must receive a passing score in all required courses of the Phase 1 curriculum
2. Students must achieve a passing score of 194 on the Comprehensive Basic Science Examination (CBSE). At the end of the PreClerkship phase of the curriculum, all students are required to sit for the CBSE as a part of their academic requirements. The test will be scheduled within 4 weeks of the last completed course of the Phase 1 curriculum.
 - 2.1. Students **MUST** complete all pre-clinical requirements, including any assigned remediations prior to sitting for the exam.
 - 2.2. Students failing to achieve a minimum score of 194 on their first attempt of the CBSE may retake the test, no later than four weeks from their original test-date.
 - 2.3. Students may choose to delay their retake of the CBSE only by approval of the Office of Academic Affairs. As determined by criteria set by the Office of Medical Education (OME), at-risk students will delay the retake of their CBSE. Any delay in retaking the CBSE will automatically delay the start of Phase 2 of the MD curriculum (Clerkship phase). These students must pass the CBSE with a score of 194 prior to start of rotation 2 of the Phase 2 of the MD curriculum.
 - 2.4. For students remediating a course—
 - 2.4.1. Students are to work on a remediation plan approved by the Course Director and delay their first clinical rotation by 8-weeks. During this time, students are required to complete all of their academic requirements, including passing the CBSE with a minimum score of 194 (based on the schedule detailed above).
3. Students unable to pass the CBSE with a score of 194, after two attempts, have **NOT** fulfilled the academic requirements for promotion from the Phase 1 curriculum. These students will repeat Part 2, Phase 1 of the MD Curriculum (MS2), pending approval by the Academic Standards and Professionalism Committee.