Dear OU College of Medicine Students,

Below is brief overview of a few key events that you can anticipate over the course of your journey as medical students. This is, of course, a partial list and there will be many other fun events and activities, as well as other requirements and obligations. You will receive information about all of these events from the Office of Student Affairs well in advance so there is no need for you to do anything related to these activities until you hear from us. We are excited to partner with you throughout this challenging, exciting and rewarding journey.

**Year 1**

**Fall Semester**

- Orientation (3 days)
  - AAMC Financial Management meeting
  - Anatomical Donor Lunch
  - White Coat Ceremony

- First Day of Class

- Class Officer elections (September)

- Family Day (October)

- Anatomical Donor Memorial Service (October)

- Information provided on Summer Research Opportunities (November)

- Career Advising Interest Group Meetings (throughout the Fall)

- Module Lunches with the Deans (throughout the Fall)
WINTER BREAK

Spring Semester

- Scholarship applications sent (January)
- SPRING BREAK (March)
- Post-Match Career Advising Interest Group Meetings (throughout the Spring)
- Module Lunches with the Deans (throughout the Spring)
- Student Council Elections (usually April)
- Aesculapian Awards Banquet (April)

SUMMER ACTIVITIES
Year 2

**Fall Semester**

- Orientation (1/2 day on first day of scheduled classes)
- Quartiles as of the end of the MS1 year available upon request (late August, you will receive an email about this)
- Preparing for USMLE Step 1 Workshop (November)
- Career Advising Interest Group Meetings (throughout the Fall)
- Module Lunches with the Deans (throughout the Fall)
- Registration for USMLE Step 1 (December to January – Student Affairs will provide information on the process)

**WINTER BREAK**

**Spring Semester**

- MS4 Panel on Step 1 Preparation (January)
- Scholarship applications sent (January)
- Registration for USMLE Step 1 (December to January – Student Affairs will provide information on the process)
- Information Meeting on third year schedule selection (February)
- MS3 Template Schedule Selection (March)
- Post-Match Career Advising Interest Group Meetings (throughout the Spring)
- Module Lunches with the Deans (throughout the Spring)
- SPRING BREAK (March)
• Student Council Elections (usually April)

• Aesculapian Awards Banquet (April)

• Capstone Course (March-April)


USMLE STEP 1

• Dedicated USMLE Step 1 Study time (April – June)

• Clinical Clerkship On-Boarding activities: ACLS Training, Meditech Training, VA paperwork, etc (May-June)

• Deadline to take USMLE Step 1 (last week of June prior to MS3 Clinical Transitions course)
Year 3

Fall Semester

- Clinical Transitions course (last week of June)
- Clinical Clerkships (July to December)
- Information and opportunity to select a clinical mentor (early September)
- Quartiles as of the end of the MS2 year sent out (August)
- Career Advising Interest Group Meetings (throughout the Fall)

WINTER BREAK

Spring Semester

- Scholarship applications sent (January)
- Career & Match Advising Workshops (5 different workshops providing information on the following topics scheduled from January to May)
  1. Career advising, asking for letters of recommendation, away rotations.
  3. Writing center workshop for CVs & personal statements.
  4. Match advising, guide to interviewing, the MSPE.
  5. Applying to the Electronic Residency Application Services (ERAS)
- Information meeting on scheduling the MS4 year (February)
- MS4 Schedule Selection (February/March)
- **NO** SPRING BREAK
- Aesculapian Awards Banquet (April)
- Post-Match Career Advising Interest Group Meetings (throughout the Spring)
- Register for and schedule USMLE Step 2 CS for the following Fall (April/May)
Year 4

Fall Semester

- Rotations begin (First week of July)
- Photos for ERAS application arranged by Student Affairs (July /August)
- Quartiles as of the end of the MS3 year sent out (August)
- Away rotations for some students (July to Oct)
- Advisory panel of residency program directors (August/September)
- Individual match advising meetings and MSPE reviews with Dr. Fergeson and Dr. Smith (July - September)
- ERAS applications due Sept 15th.
- Take USMLE STEP 2 CK & CS (July to December)
- Alpha Omega Alpha selection (August-September)
- Residency interviews (Oct to January)
- Senior Composite photos (arranged by student affairs)

WINTER BREAK
Spring Semester

- Residency interviews (October to January)
- Urology Match (early January)
- San Francisco Match-Ophthalmology (mid-January)
- National Residency Match Program (NRMP) rank order lists due (3rd week of February)
- NRMP Match Week (mid-March)
- AAMC Debt Management meeting (March)
- Leonard Tow Humanism in Medicine Award (nominate and vote, March)
- Commencement Response Speaker (nominate and vote, April)
- Senior Composite photos (arranged by student affairs)
- AAMC Graduation Questionnaire
- Laptop decryption, return Scrub cards and Hospital Access cards
- Senior Banquet and graduation (late May)

Graduation and Commencement Ceremony