

# **Policy Title**

Requirements for Graduation

#### **Identifier**

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# **LCME Standards**

- 9.6 Setting Standards of Achievement
- 9.9 Student Advancement and Appeal Process
- 10.3 Policies Regarding Student Selection/Progress and Their Dissemination
- 10.5 Technical Standards

## Scope

University of South Carolina (USC) School of Medicine Greenville faculty, staff, and students

# **Policy Statement**

The degree of Doctor of Medicine will be conferred by the University of South Carolina upon persons who have complied with the degree requirements as recommended by the faculty. In order to graduate, all graduation requirements must be completed no later than the second Friday in June of that year.

# **Reason for Policy**

This policy outlines the degree requirements and expectations of its learners pursuing a degree of Doctor of Medicine from the USC School of Medicine Greenville.

#### **Procedures**

Upon recommendation by the USC School of Medicine Greenville faculty, the USC will confer the degree of Doctor of Medicine upon candidates who have:

A. attained the school's educational objectives as evidenced by satisfactory completion of prescribed basic science modules and clinical clerkships and electives and acquisition of all required clinical

skills;

- B. passed Steps 1 and 2-CK of the USMLE;
- C. passed Clinical Performance Exam (CPX)
- D. discharged all financial obligations to the USC School of Medicine Greenville and to the University of South Carolina.

Students enrolled in the USC School of Medicine Greenville will have six (6) years from the date of matriculation to complete their degree for Doctor of Medicine exclusive of any additional time needed to complete a dual degree. If a student fails to complete his/her degree within the specified time, he/she will be recommended for dismissal by the Student Evaluation and Promotion Committee (SEPC).

# **Sanctions**

Failure to adhere to the above procedures will result in referral to the SEPC.

# **Additional Contacts**

Office for Student Affairs Office for Medical Education Office for Academic Affairs

### **Related Information**

USC School of Medicine Greenville Student Handbook  $USCSOMG-ACAF-4.00 \ Student \ Evaluation, \ Remediation, \ and \ Requirements \ for \ Promotion \ and \ Appeal \ USCSOMG-ACAF-3.05 \ USMLE \ \underline{Technical \ Standards}$ 

# History

<b>Date of Change</b>	Change
Dec 2022	Updated expectations for materials to be completed from end of May to the second week of
	June
Apr 2021	Removed Step 2 CS from graduation requirements
July 2019	Editorial changes made due to branding updates and titles; formal approval not required.
Dec 2018	Policy formalized into standardized template, LCME CQI