

# Overview of the Advanced Clinical Year

Class of 2019



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# Today's Meeting Agenda

1. Review Clinical Requirements for Graduation
2. Overview of the next few months and things to consider as you construct your senior schedule

# Clinical Requirements for Graduation - Class of 2019

- Core Third Year -
  - ✓ Trans. to Clerkships
  - ✓ Medicine - 8 wk
  - ✓ Primary Care I - 4 wk
  - ✓ Surgery - 8 wk
  - ✓ Anesthesiology - 2wk
- Clerkships and Core Elective(s)
  - ✓ Women's Health - 6 wk
  - ✓ Pediatrics - 6 wk
  - ✓ Psychiatry - 6 wk
  - ✓ Neurology - 4 wk
  - ✓ Core Yr (MS3) Electives – 2 or 4 weeks
- Gateway 3

# Clinical Requirements for Graduation - Class of 2019

## ➤ Advanced Clinical Year

- ✓ **Primary Care 2** - 4 wk
  - Geriatrics/Palliative Care
- ✓ **Diagnostic Radiology** - 4 wk
- ✓ **Emerg Med Clerkship** – 4 wk
- ✓ **Subinternship** – 1 month
  - Medicine or Pediatrics
  - Subinternships in other specialties count as elective credit (i.e Surgery)
- ❖ *Any Core Clerkships not completed in third year must be completed in **April-June 2018**.*
- ✓ **Selective(s)** – 4 wk (or Two 2 wk)
  - Select from Translational Science Courses (T-Sels)
- ✓ **Critical Care** - 2 wk
  - SICU, MICU, NICU, PICU
  - Can be taken away at another medical school
- ✓ **Electives** – 16 weeks
  - Check distribution requirements for subspecialties, research, and extramural electives
  - Students are permitted to do as many electives as their schedule will allow



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## CARE 301

- ❑ Senior Schedule Planning Seminars
- ❑ Career Month –Residency program directors and departmental specialty advisors give workshops (*Jan-Feb 2018*)
- ❑ Student-to-Student Residency Forum (*Peer advice after Match day*)
- ❑ Nuts and Bolts of Residency Application Process Seminars
  - ❑ CV and Personal Statement Writing
  - ❑ ERAS completion guidance
- ❑ Specialty advisor assistance with program application selection
- ❑ *Practical Opportunities*
  - Four weeks of Core electives for career exploration



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## CARE 401

- ❑ Meetings for seniors having difficulty making a final decision on specialty
- ❑ Interviewing Seminar
- ❑ Rank Order Strategies
- ❑ Review of individual rank order lists



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## ➤ Coming Up!

- January **Composing Your Senior Schedule**
  - Small group meetings
  - Includes reviewing some sample senior schedules
- Jan 8 – Feb 8 **Clinical Departmental Mtgs**

Sign-Up Required - will be posted on PRIME
- Jan 30 **Visiting Student Application Service**  
(VSAS/GLHO for Away Electives)



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## ➤ Coming Up!

- Early Feb      On-line Registration begins
- Feb 15      Away Electives and VSAS
- May, June, July Nuts \* Bolts Residency AppProcess
- On-going Q & A seminars throughout summer

# Overview of Calendar

## ❖ **Spring Semester (Jan thru May)**

- ❖ Career planning, Meet Clinical Dean, Attend Departmental Meetings, Register for senior schedule, apply for away electives, Register for Step 2 CK/CS. Have you started a CV ?

## ❖ **April, May, June, July, Aug, Sept**

- ❖ Take Step 2 CK/CS by November 1, 2018
- ❖ Exploring and Decision Making
- ❖ Take subinternship or electives departmental advisors have suggested taking
- ❖ Letters of recommendation - 3 required
- ❖ Submitting residency applications, writing personal statement
- ❖ **ERAS MUST be submitted by September 15<sup>th</sup>**
  - *Students are able to apply to more than one specialty*

# Overview of Calendar

**Oct, Nov, Dec, Jan** - Interviews

**February** – Submit Rank Order List

**March** – Match Day! **March 15, 2019!!**

**May** – Graduation! **May 21, 2019!!**

# Things to Consider when Designing your Senior Schedule

- ✓ **YOU will create your schedule, in consultation with your Clinical Assistant Dean**

- ✓ **Downstate electives in field(s) you are considering**

- ✓ **Possible off-campus electives timing**

  - ✓ *July not a good idea... Do Downstate elective first*

- ✓ **Clerkship Reexaminations (if applicable)**

  - ✓ *Most scheduled in April; Schedule posted on Registrar website*

- **Step 2CK– Ideally April through June 2018**

- **Step 2CS - Ideally July through September 2018**

  - **BUT No Later than November 1, 2018**

# Things to Consider when Designing your Senior Schedule –Con't

- ✓ **Required Subinternship – early for LOR vs. later**
- ✓ **Research electives?**
- ✓ **Electives of interest**
- ✓ **Interviews usually require one month off**
  - ✓ **Early Match – November or December**
  - ✓ **Regular Match – November, December or January**
- ✓ **Global Health in Dev Countries - April/May 2019**

# USMLE Step 2

- Step 2 has two parts: Step 2 CK (Clinical Knowledge) and Step 2 CS (Clinical Skills)
- Taking & Passing Step 2 CK & CS is a graduation requirement.
- All students are **required** to register and schedule both Step 2 CK & Step 2 CS by August 1, 2018.
- All students are **required** to **take** both Step 2 CK & Step 2 CS by November 1, 2018.

# USMLE Step 2 – Con't

- Cost of Step 2 CK 2018: **\$610**
- Cost can be included in the senior year Financial Aid/Student Loan package - once.

# Step 2 Clinical Skills Exam

- Cost of Step 2 CS 2018: **\$1,285**
- Score: Pass/Fail
- Register through NBME
- Registration for exam will begin this month
- Closest site: Philadelphia
- Gateway 3
  - Required Standardized Pt assessment Spring 2018
  - Office of Academic Affairs will e-mail assignments

# Step 2 Timing Issues

- Recommend taking month off for Step 2CK
- Benefit of taking it early - close to Core Year shelf exams. We encourage you to take the exam in April 2018 or as early as you can.
- Residency programs want Step 2CK on your application (9/15) –few exceptions.
- Timing of Step 2CS – recommended immediately following SubI or Emer Med
- Most students do not take time off to study for Step 2CS.

# Letters of Recommendation

- Most residency programs require 3 letters.
  - A.K.A. LORs
- When ERAS opens in May 2018, you may begin to designate letter writers and the request process.
- Letter writers will upload their LORs directly onto the ERAS LOR portal.
- Although YOUR ERAS application is sent out Sept 15, LOR's can be sent in by program deadlines which can be as late as 11/1, although the sooner the better.

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## ➤ Remaining Core Clerkships

- Will be scheduled for you
- Currently enrolled clerkships end 3/23/18
- Clerkships begin **4/9/2018**
- If you have special issues or concerns, make an appointment with Ms. Shonbrun or Dean Christoforou
- You will receive an email later this month about entering your site preferences.

## ➤ Senior Advanced Courses begin 4/2/2018

# Course Scheduling & Registration

- Registration for Advanced Clinical courses will occur in 3 periods:
  - Spring 2018 registration (Course dates Apr – June)
  - Fall 2018 (includes July – Dec 2018)
  - Spring 2019 (includes Jan– May 2019)
- Elective offerings for Spring 2018 on-line
- Elective offerings for 2018-19 academic year will be available in February 2018.

# Course Scheduling & Registration

- Clerkship remediation dates on Registrar website
- If you're "undecided" use May, June, or July to take electives/SubI to assist your decision.
- Taking Away electives before "prime-time" (May or June 2018) .... VSAS availability
- Clinical Schedule Planner to assist you in developing your schedule is posted on-line.

# Need Help?



- Assistance with your individual senior schedule, some resources:
  - Your Clinical Assistant Dean
  - Specialty Advisors
  - Christoforou or Shonbrun
  - Upperclass students