UC Riverside, School of Medicine Policies and Procedures

Policy Title: Good Academic Standing

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Policy Summary

The Good Academic Standing Policy at UCR SOM outlines criteria for when a student is in good academic standing or is having academic difficulties that could place them on probation or ultimately lead to loss of good standing.

Students at UCR SOM are considered in Good Academic Standing if they have successfully completed all blocks/clerkships, California Consortium for Assessment of Clinical Performance's Clinical Performance Exam (CCACC CPX), USMLE Step 1 and Step 2CK without any failures or prolonged delays. Students must also be in good professional standing as defined by the Professionalism Committee. Students are considered in default Good Academic Standing unless notified otherwise.

II. Policy Text

A. AT RISK ACADEMIC STANDING

Students who have had some difficulties in their academics are considered in "At Risk" Standing. This designation will be sent to the student in writing by the Registrar's office. These students, although closely monitored for their continued academic progress and despite requiring additional requirements to continue this status (financial aid, additional tutoring, medical support) will be reported to external sources as Good Standing. This is not recorded in the MSPE if students do not experience additional academic difficulties (and/or associated professionalism breaches). Students who become at risk for not meeting the six-year graduation time limit completion policy will be referred to the Progress and Promotions Committee. They will remain on "At Risk" status for internal monitoring and planning only until they successfully remediate block/clerkship/examination at which time this status will be removed. These students must receive written permission from the Associate or Executive Associate Dean of Student Affairs to continue extracurricular activities. They will not be eligible for summer externships and some competitive scholarships.

1. Students considered for the "At Risk" category:

- a. Are unsuccessful in one block/clerkship
- b. Have had a failure on USMLE or CCACC CPX or have not sat for Step 1 or Step 2CK in the time frame defined by the Office of Academic Success.
- c. Are at risk of not completing their medical degree in the six-year time- period.

B. ACADEMIC PROBATION

Students who have academic difficulty in passing two course/clerkships during an academic year or a repeat failure in the same course/clerkship within the same academic year will be considered on Academic Probation. Students who have not scheduled or successfully completed their USMLE within the time frame that places them outside of the six-year graduation time-period will also be placed in this category. Students who become at risk for not meeting the six-year graduation time limit

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completion policy will be referred to the Progress and Promotions Committee. Successful completion of all deficiencies/failures inclusive within the 6-year time period will reinstate good standing. This determination will be recorded in the transcript and/or MSPE. It may also affect financial eligibility. Students in this category will be informed by a Student Affairs Dean and removed from their academic coursework (unless under appeal), will not be eligible for extra-curricular or away rotations and will be referred to the Progress and Promotions Committee for consideration of continuing in the medical school program on continued probation, change in status or dismissal from the medical program. The probation status may be reported to the relevant specialty boards, medical staff queries, licensing boards and other regulatory agencies.

1. Students considered for Academic Probation:

- a. Are unsuccessful in two blocks/clerkships/CCACC CPX in the same academic year
- b. Have had two failures on USMLE
- c. Will not complete their medical degree in the six-year time-period.

C. DISMISSAL

Students who fail two or more courses/clerkships or who fail to successfully remediate in said courses/clerkships or who fail to complete the USMLE within the six-year limit will be recommended for dismissal to the Progress and Promotions Committee. Students will receive notification that this information will be recorded on the student's transcript and reported to relevant external sources, as permitted by law. Students will need to complete a new application process to re-enter medical school.

Appeals for any of the above will follow the procedures outlined in <u>Policy 950-07-021 Evaluation</u>, Promotion and Graduation Standards.

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