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General Clerkship Information

Course Code: SRGP 835
Credit Hours: 12
Prerequisites: All students must successfully pass all preclerkship curricular elements in order to progress to the third year
Clerkship Length: 12 weeks
Clerkship Website: http://phoenixmed.arizona.edu/education/md-admissions/md-program/curriculum/year-3-curriculum/clerkships/surgery
Clerkship Resources: https://sites.google.com/a/email.arizona.edu/clerkship-resources/surgery

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Course Description

The Surgery Clerkship utilizes a variety of well-supervised clinical settings exposing students to a broad array of patients as well as organized interactive learning experiences and directed readings allowing motivated students to establish a solid foundation of skills and knowledge for their future career choices.
Clinical Sites

**Banner – University Medical Center Phoenix Campus**
- General Surgery
- Trauma Surgery
- Hepatopancreaticobiliary and Transplant Surgery
- Anesthesiology
- Cardiothoracic Surgery
- Interventional Radiology
- Endocrine Surgery
- Orthopedic Surgery
- Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation
- Urology
- Vascular Surgery

**Banner Cardon Medical Center**
- Pediatric Surgery

**Banner Desert Medical Center**
- General Surgery

**Banner Estrella Medical Center**
- General Surgery
- Bariatric Surgery

**Banner Gateway Medical Center**
- Bariatric Surgery
- Radiation Oncology

**Banner Thunderbird**
- Trauma Surgery

**Phoenix Children’s Hospital**
- Pediatric Surgery

**Veteran Affairs Medical Center**
- General Surgery
- Dermatology

**Maricopa Integrated Health System**
- General Surgery
- Trauma and Burn Surgery

**Other facilities/clinics**
- Otolaryngology
- Neurosurgery
- Ophthalmology
- Plastic Surgery
- Radiation Oncology
- Rural General Surgery

Please refer to the Clerkship Resources website for detailed site information:
https://sites.google.com/a/email.arizona.edu/clerkship-resources/surgery
Educational Program Objectives

The Educational Program Objectives are comprised of competencies and the measureable objectives by which attainment of each competency can be assessed. The full text of the University of Arizona, College of Medicine – Phoenix Educational Program Objectives (EPO) can be accessed at [Educational Program Objectives](https://www.phoenixmed.arizona.edu) and require dissemination as noted in the [Orientation to EPOs and Course Objectives Policy](https://www.phoenixmed.arizona.edu).

Clerkship Specific Learning Objectives

Each Surgery Clerkship objective listed below has been mapped with relevant Competencies, i.e., Patient Care, Medical Knowledge, Clinical Appraisal and Quality Improvement, Interpersonal and Communication Skills, Professionalism and Societal Awareness and Responsiveness and is available within One45.

1. Obtain an accurate surgical history.
2. Perform a complete and organ specific physical examination.
3. Interpret the diagnostic and imaging modalities necessary for the care of surgery and trauma patients.
4. Perform diagnostic and therapeutic procedures commonly utilized in surgical patients.
5. Identify screening techniques involved in preventing surgical illness and strategies to prevent traumatic and thermal injury.
6. Appreciate surgical decision-making with regard to current practice, data and medical knowledge.
7. Construct a rationale for both operative and non-operative management of surgical patients.
8. Construct management strategies for a preoperative and postoperative patient.
9. Present a case in conference that demonstrates knowledge of the patient, diagnostic workup, disease process, intervention and outcome.
10. Function as integral member of the surgical team on rounds.
11. Collaborate with the operative team and recognize operating room safety.
12. Demonstrate the ability to present patients at handoff conference in a systematic and thorough manner.
13. Function as an effective member of the trauma team in the resuscitation of a trauma patient.
14. Recognize the anatomical and physiological differences associated with the surgical care of men and women.
15. Appraise the physiologic response to surgery and trauma in the extremes of age.
16. Identify the principles and application of surgical informed consent.
17. Recognize the ethical implications of trauma and burn patients and the social factors that predispose them to injury.
18. Recognize the ethical issues associated with organ transplantation.
19. Consider the ethical, legal and clinical principles of brain death and end of life issues in the surgical patient.
20. Identify the principles of surgical quality.
21. Discuss how to communicate bad news to surgical patients and families.
22. Write a thorough and concise surgical note.
23. Present patient data in a thorough and concise manner on surgery rounds.
24. Employ appropriate operating room etiquette including sterile technique and appropriate conduct.
25. Consider the cost of certain procedures, equipment and materials used in surgical care.
26. Recognize how patients gain or are denied access to surgical care.
Attendance Requirements

All clerkship experiences are mandatory, and any absence must be recorded. Excused absences will be remediated as deemed appropriate by the clerkship director and are not to exceed 0.5 days per week on average. Exceptions to this may be considered in consultation with the Clerkship Director and the Associate Dean for Student Affairs. Please see the Attendance and Absence Years 3 and 4 Policy, the Leave of Absence Policy and the Attendance Expectations and Absence Reporting Requirements Policy.

Required/Suggested Reading

Required:


Suggested:

Required Clinical Experience Logs

A system has been established at the UA COM-P to specify the types of patients or clinical conditions that medical students must encounter, and to monitor and verify the medical students’ experiences with patients so as to remedy any identified gaps as detailed in the Core Clinical Skills Observation Policy. For this clerkship, medical students must encounter the following types of patients and clinical conditions and indicate the level of student responsibility. Clinical site checklists are available in One45 under Site Rotation Information.

The standardized levels of student responsibility include the following:
1. Observe and Discuss: This may include observing another member of the team interview a patient, perform a procedure or physical exam, discussion of the case, condition, or other relevant components.
2. Actively Participate in Care: This category indicates more active responsibility for the patient, such as performing a physical exam and workup, entering progress notes or history and physicals (H&Ps), presenting the patient on rounds, scrubbing into a case, and/or counseling or discussing prevention with the patient.
3. Perform Procedure: This is defined as the student performing the procedure with supervision.
4. Send all Px/Dx approvals to the Clinical Director for approval.

Please review the Faculty Supervision of Medical Students in Clinical Learning Situations Policy and the Faculty Supervision of Sensitive Physical Examination Policy. The procedures and clinical conditions will be recorded in the student’s “Procedure Logs” and reviewed with the site or Clerkship Director at the mid-clerkship review.

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<td>History &amp; Physical Exam</td>
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<td>Inpatient/Outpatient</td>
<td>Observe, Actively Participate In, Perform Procedure</td>
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<td>Airway Management</td>
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<td>Fluid/Blood Resuscitation</td>
<td>Inpatient</td>
<td>Observe, Actively Participate In, Perform Procedure</td>
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**Required Diagnosis | Clinical Setting | Level of Student Responsibility | Alternative Experience**

| Hepatic Disease | Inpatient/Outpatient | Observe, Actively Participate In, Perform Procedure | Additional clinical experience |
| Intestinal Disease | Inpatient/Outpatient | Observe, Actively Participate In, Perform Procedure | Additional clinical experience |
| Multisystem trauma | Inpatient/Outpatient | Observe, Actively Participate In, Perform Procedure | Additional clinical experience |
| Nutrition Related to Surgery | Inpatient/Outpatient | Observe, Actively Participate In, Perform Procedure | Additional clinical experience |
| Orthopedic Disease | Inpatient/Outpatient | Observe, Actively Participate In, Perform Procedure | Additional clinical experience |
| Pancreatic Disease | Inpatient/Outpatient | Observe, Actively Participate In, Perform Procedure | Additional clinical experience |
| Post-Operative Complications | Inpatient/Outpatient | Observe, Actively Participate In, Perform Procedure | Additional clinical experience |
| Splenic Disease | Inpatient/Outpatient | Observe, Actively Participate In, Perform Procedure | Additional clinical experience |
| Thoracic Disease | Inpatient/Outpatient | Observe, Actively Participate In, Perform Procedure | Additional clinical experience |
| Traumatic Head and Spine Injury | Inpatient/Outpatient | Observe, Actively Participate In, Perform Procedure | Additional clinical experience |
| Wound Evaluation & Healing | Inpatient/Outpatient | Observe, Actively Participate In, Perform Procedure | Additional clinical experience |

**Alternative Experiences**

Students are expected to meet the required clinical experiences and procedures listed in the tables above. If the student does not encounter all the required clinical experiences as listed within the procedures and diagnoses tables, the student will remedy the gap by completing the alternative experience utilizing the process below:

1. The student will notify the Clerkship Director or designee that an alternative experience is needed for a procedure or diagnoses by week 10 prior to the end of the clerkship.
2. An approved alternative experience/requirement is completed.
3. When logging procedures and diagnoses in one45, the alternative experiences should be identified by selecting the appropriate radio button under Setting and Patient Encounter.
4. The Clerkship Director will not help locate alternative experiences past week 10.
Didactic/Interactive Learning/Simulations Sessions

The interactive didactic and simulation session curriculum is scheduled for every Tuesday at the COM PHX Health Sciences and Education Building Simulation Center (4th floor) and spans the entire 12-week rotation. You will receive a paper copy of the schedule during orientation. The curriculum will also be available on One45. It is your responsibility to review the schedule and check the time, location and the subject matter that will be covered. Please check your emails daily as the curriculum is subject to change based on educator availability.

Students will have weekly quizzes on Tuesday at 12:45pm based on the required didactic readings. Please see One45 and the Surgery Clerkship Website for detailed information.

Urgent/Emergent Health Care Services

For a list of emergency contact numbers please visit the College of Medicine’s website at the following link: http://phoenixmed.arizona.edu/security-emergency-numbers.

Students may also contact the Associate Dean of Student Affairs at 602-827-9997.

All sites are assessed for student safety. Details of this assessment are included in the Training Site Safety Policy. Faculty and Staff shall not provide medical care for students. Please see the Faculty Providing Medical Care for Students Policy and the Faculty Providing Counseling for Students Policy for details and rationale.

COM-P requires that all students have an updated immunization record. Please see the Immunization and Health Screening Policy for details regarding the contents of the record.

In the event of any exposure to blood/bodily fluids through mucous membranes or the skin, see the following Student Occupational Exposure Policy.

Expectations for Mobile Communication

The student must be reachable at all times during usual extended work hours and on-call hours, and if in clinical setting, the student should respond within 15 minutes. The students may choose not to provide their cell phone numbers. In that case, the students will be provided a COM-P pager. The student also has the option to give their mobile number for texts; however, the pager and/or voice capability of the cell phone must be functional and available i.e., on the student’s person for calls/pages daily. Not responding to calls or pages will be viewed as a deficit in Interpersonal Skills and Communication, as well as Professionalism.
Accessibility and Accommodations

Disability Resources (DRC) provides support to faculty in creating access for disabled students, both through course design and reasonable accommodations. Please contact them at 520-621-3268 with questions or visit DRC’s website at http://drc.arizona.edu/instructors for information and resources. It is the University’s goal that learning experiences be as accessible as possible.
To establish reasonable accommodations, the student must contact the DRC at DRC-Info@email.arizona.edu or 520-621-3268. Please review the Disability Resource Policy for additional detail. The student is welcome to contact the Associate Dean of Student Affairs at 602-827-9997 to discuss options.

Assessment Process

A mid-clerkship assessment for each student is required as per the Mid-Clerkship Formative Assessment policy. The mid-clerkship assessment will be completed by the Clerkship Director, site director or a designated faculty member at the College of Medicine using criteria included in the College of Medicine mid-clerkship assessment form. This form includes performance criteria as well as a portion for narrative comments.

The student’s mid-clerkship performance must be reviewed in a face-to-face meeting with a Clinical Director or designee, and the student and Clinical Director or designee must sign the mid-clerkship assessment form as an acknowledgement of the assessment. The timing of the mid-clerkship assessment is during a specific window of dates as specified by policy and LCME. Students are required to pro-actively plan on timely completion of the meeting in discussion with the faculty member who will be completing the review. If there are identified challenges to meeting during the specified window of time, the clerkship director must be notified as soon as possible.

Additionally, throughout the clerkship, faculty and residents engaged in student teaching and supervision will provide formative feedback in a variety of formats (e.g. review of progress notes, H&P, direct observation forms, informal verbal feedback and written narratives, etc.) that may be communicated in writing or verbally. The purpose of this feedback is to identify strengths and opportunities for improvement. Any significant deficiencies or concern should be communicated to the clerkship and/or site director with written documentation that the feedback has been provided to the student. In the event that deficiencies are noted late in the clerkship, timely feedback will be given.

A minimum of one clinical end-of-rotation assessment per clerkship or rotation within a clerkship, will be submitted for the student’s clinical score by the site director or their appointee. It should be noted that faculty at COM-P who are family members of the student or have a personal relationship with the student may not be involved in the academic assessment or promotion of the medical student as described in the Conflict of Interest-Assessment and Evaluation Policy.

Where applicable, multiple end-of-rotation assessments will be considered in the clinical score calculation (see below under “grading”) providing each assessor has had significant interaction with the student. In the instance that only one end-of-rotation assessment is submitted, it will be a collaborative
assessment from the preceptors who had significant interaction (as defined by the Clerkship Director) with the student. Where only a single faculty member has been assigned to work with a student, this faculty member will provide an assessment for the student.

All end-of-rotation assessment forms and the clerkship final grade form will be available to be viewed by students by six (6) weeks after the end of the clerkship according to the Reporting Timeline for Final Grades policy in One45.

**Clerkship Mid Assessment Form** - Posted in One45

**Clerkship End of Rotation Assessment Form** - Posted in One45

**Standardized Grading Process**

The final clerkship grade will be determined by the clerkship director using the composite score (comprised of clinical score, exam score, “other” score, and additional criteria for grading approved by the Curriculum Committee (explained further in the “calculating the final grade” section below. The final clerkship grade will be divided into four categories: Honors, High Pass, Pass, or Fail (H, HP, P, F). Details regarding grading in the clerkships are included in the Grading and Progression for Clerkships Policy. Below is a listing of the components of the composite score:

I. **Clinical Score**: The clinical score accounts for 50% of the composite score. The clinical score is calculated through assessment of student performance within each individual (Educational Program Objective) EPO. The final EPO score is determined by averaging scores on the end of rotation assessment for each EPO. The clinical score is the average of all final EPO Scores.

II. **Exam Score**: The NBME shelf exam score accounts for 30% of the composite score. A student, who fails the shelf examination and is successful in the retake of the examination, cannot be awarded any grade higher than a “Pass” for the clerkship. (See Clerkship Grading after Examination Failure Policy for additional details)

III. **“Other”**: The “OTHER” score accounts for 20% of the composite score. It is the point total for the other observable learning activities specific to the clerkship. Students must attain 60% of these points in order to pass the clerkship.

The Clerkship Director, prior to calculating the clinical score, will ensure that the minimum number of required assessments are available to calculate the clinical score. Once grades are submitted by the 6 week LCME deadline, no further information will be sought nor will additional assessments be accepted.

**Who does the Mid-clerkship assessment?**

On the Surgical Clerkship, only the Clerkship Director and/or the Associate Clerkship Director can complete the Mid-Clerkship Assessment.
Who can fill out an end of rotation assessment?

End of Rotation Assessment will be completed by the Site Director as a compilation of all feedback from the faculty and residents who worked with the student.

How much time should a student be supervised by an attending to be able to select them as an assessor?

End of Rotation Assessment will be completed by the Site Director as a compilation of all feedback from the faculty and residents who worked with the student. Since the evaluations are all compiled, students can be assessed by an attending who worked with them for a minimum of one day. This will be considered by the Site Director in the group evaluation.

What to do if the attending is not listed in One45

Contact UA coordinator, (PBC-Evaluation@email.arizona.edu). The coordinator will confirm the faculty attending information with the site and then have them added to the UA database.

How is the attending notified of the need to do an assessment for a student?

See below for responsibilities for communication.

Number of Assessments Needed to Calculate Clinical Score

One compiled assessment from each of the following: General Surgery, General Surgery Specialty, and Sub-Specialty selective will be required from the site directors. The scores for the two, 2-week Sub-Specialty selectives will be averaged. The three block evaluations will then be averaged to determine the overall clinical score.
### Observable Learning Activities (“Other” score)

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<th>Criteria</th>
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| Interactive Didactic Quizzes | 85 – 100%  
70 – 84%  
55 – 69%  
40 – 54%  
20 – 39%  
< 19% | 5 points  
4 points  
3 points  
2 points  
1 point  
0 points | 5 points |
| Skills Testing | 1 Point Per Room; 4 Rooms total | | 4 points |

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| Oral Case Presentation  | Clerkship directors will lead and grade the case presentations. Each of the following are worth a total of 3 points and averaged to give a final score.  
H&P  
Differential  
Knowledge of Patient  
Knowledge of Disease  
Presentation and Communication | | 3 points |

| Timeliness and Professionalism | You will receive 1 point for the completion of the following which are due by noon on Tuesday, Week 5.  
50% PX/DX  
100% Duty Hours Logged  
H&P Note  
Soap Note | | 3 points |

| Timeliness and Professionalism | You will receive 1 point for the completion of the following which are due by noon on Tuesday, Week 12.  
100% PX/DX  
100% Duty Hours Logged | | 3 points |

| Timeliness and Professionalism | Professionalism is to be evaluated and awarded by Clerkship Director at end of rotation | | 3 points |

| OSCE | History, Physical and Assessment and Plan on a Standardized Patient | | 5 points |
Calculating the Final Grade

The Clerkship Director is responsible for determination of each student’s final grade based on the clerkship specific thresholds included in the table below. The final grade is determined by the composite score and the additional requirements listed below the table.

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<td>78 - 100</td>
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<td>2.3 – 2.59</td>
<td>High Pass</td>
<td>73 – 77.9</td>
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<td>2.00 - 2.29</td>
<td>Pass</td>
<td>58 – 72.9</td>
<td>Pass</td>
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<td>&lt; 2.00</td>
<td>Fail</td>
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<td>&lt; 57.9</td>
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The student fails the clerkship if any of the following occur:
1. The clinical score is <2.0, OR
2. Achievement of a level 1 for two or more EPOs, OR
3. Failure of the shelf exam as well as the retake, OR
4. Achievement of a score of less than 60 % from the “OTHER” requirements, OR
5. Achievement of a total composite score of Fail

The Clerkship Grading Calculator is posted in One45 for assistance calculating the Final Clerkship grade.

The following requirements must be completed by 8am Tuesday after the end of the rotation:
1. Duty hour logging: See the [Duty Hours Policy](#) for specifics regarding documentation of hours and a description of a violation.
2. Logging of required clinical encounters (“Procedure logging”- PX/DX)
3. Completion of the Mid-clerkship Feedback form (see the [Mid-Clerkship Formative Assessment Policy for additional detail](#))
4. Completion of assigned site, faculty and end of the clerkship evaluations (see the [Course and Faculty Evaluation by Student Policy](#) for additional detail).

If the requirements are not completed by the deadline, the medical student will receive a grade of Incomplete until these assignments are complete. Once completed late, a student will receive a grade no higher than Pass. Compliance with these deadlines will be determined by the Office of Assessment and Evaluation and reported to the Clerkship Director.
Additional Grading Criteria

1. The student can only receive a final grade of Honors if they achieve Honors on the clinical score, if
   the exam score meets the minimum threshold for Honors and they take 2 trauma call shifts.
2. The student can only receive a final grade of High Pass if the exam score meets the minimum
   threshold for High Pass and the composite is greater than 74.1%.
3. The student, who fails the shelf examination and is successful in a retake of the shelf examination,
   cannot be awarded any grade higher than a Pass for the clerkship. See the Clerkship Grading after
   Examination Policy for more detail.
4. Receiving a Level 1 on one EPO will make the student ineligible for a grade higher than Pass.
5. If a student fails the OSCE they will have to remediate the exam and will not be eligible for Honors.

A level 1, 2, or 3 is generated for each EPO based on the scale below as described in detail in the
Competency Assessment Policy.

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A level 1 can be generated for an EPO based on the following ways:

a) Final EPO score <2.0
b) Two or more separate faculty raters assign a rating of <2.0 on the same individual EPO, this will result
   in a Level 1 even if the final EPO score is >2.0.
c) Assigned by clerkship director based on prolonged demonstration of performance not meeting
   expectations, a substantial incident, extreme behavior or other events that warrant the level 1 as
determined by the clerkship director.

Feedback to the student by an assessor (site director, attending, Clerkship Director or resident) regarding
any problematic behavior in order to offer the student the opportunity to improve should have occurred
prior to assigning a score of <2.0 on an EPO. In the event that a critical incident occurs late in the clerkship,
timely feedback will be provided.

Narrative Feedback

The Clerkship Final Grade Form will be completed by the Clerkship Director. The Clerkship final grade form
includes two separate areas which include narrative feedback. The first area includes formative comments
from the End of Rotation forms, the second includes formalized summative comments which will be
included in the Dean’s Letter (MSPE). The summative final comments are generally not a direct cut and
paste but rather a sample summary determined by the Clerkship Director. The Clerkship Director has the
right to include or not include comments based on their interpretation of which comments best
summarize the student’s performance over the entirety of the clerkship. Students are not permitted to
pick specific comments to be included or excluded in their narrative grade form. Students do not grade or
summarize their own performance. Any concerns regarding narrative comments may be addressed to the
Clerkship Director or Associate Dean of Student Affairs.
Required Student Evaluation

Student evaluation of the clerkship, sites, and assigned didactics is required. The student must complete the evaluations online in the required time frame. All comments will be expected to model constructive feedback using the W3 model, and must contain references and comments to specific behaviors and/or events (positive or negative).

If the student does not complete the required evaluations within one week after the end of the clerkship, the student will be required to submit the missing evaluation data in narrative form within the second week after the clerkship.

- Once the student has successfully submitted their evaluation in narrative form within the second week after the clerkship the student will have successfully demonstrated meeting expectations in Professionalism.
- If the student has not successfully submitted their evaluation in narrative form within the second week after the clerkship the student will be considered as having not met expectations and the Level 1 rating for the EPO targeting giving and receiving constructive feedback, will be automatically assigned resulting in a final grade of no higher than Pass.

For more information, see the Course and Faculty Evaluation by Student Policy.

Rural Health Professions Program

Students completing a Rural Rotation are encouraged to attend the Rural Rotation Orientation scheduled during Transitions.

Housing is offered by the Rural Health Professions Program (RHPP) and funded by Arizona Area Health Education Centers (AzAHEC). The student is responsible for damages and incidental charges. Housing is booked on availability and within budget, often housing is with host family or shared living situation. Student must request specific accommodations outside of single occupancy during Rural Rotation Orientation. The student will be notified of housing accommodations offered by university, eight weeks before rotation, student must either confirm or deny accommodations. If student opts out of offered housing it will then be the student’s responsibility to arrange all housing accommodations and the student will be responsible for payment. The student will then receive a reimbursement determined by the RHPP. After successful completion of the rotation the student will be reimbursed for one round trip mileage, stipend and housing if applicable. Money is reimbursed through student’s bursar’s account and is subject to change based on funding period. The student must complete all required Rural Rotation paperwork prior to the start of the rotation.

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One45: Curriculum Management System

One45 is the curricular management system used to manage assessments about students, and to access learning materials and schedules. General information about the clerkship rotations, such as syllabi, site information, maps, links, etc. will be attached as handouts to each clerkship “course” under Handouts and Links within one45. You can access one45 at the web address: comphx.one45.com.

For Faculty and Site Coordinators: If your role requires you to review clerkship rotation schedules, you can view these schedules, as organized by the Clerkships Office, within one45. These schedules include rosters of students scheduled to rotate to your site for specific dates. Unless special arrangements have been made for your particular site, hourly clinical schedules are not stored in one45, and should be communicated directly to students.

Assessments are collected via one45, and automatic emails are sent to assessing attendings with instructions and reminders to complete. A list of pending and completed assessments can be reviewed in one45, if applicable.

Students will also use one45 to log observed procedures and diagnoses at clinical sites. Please note that students are able to use their smartphones to make log entries on-the-go, if allowed by site policy.

For Students: one45 will continue as your curricular clerkship management system and will still be used to complete evaluations and access learning materials. It will also house the schedule, objectives, and materials for your clerkship didactic sessions, similar to how your blocks were organized in the MS2 year. Clerkship rotation scheduling will look different in one45, as you will all be on separate clerkship rotations. This rotation schedule will appear to you as a week-by-week lineup of clerkship rotations, rather than “hour by hour”, because the actual hours you spend at your clerkship site will be determined and managed by the clinical site coordinators. Those hourly schedules will not appear ahead of time in one45, so you should keep track your daily schedule on your own. However, you will be asked to record your “duty hours” (hours spent on rotation at the sites) after-the-fact in one45, to maintain compliance with ACGME standards.
Professionalism Resource

The Professional Resource Office (PRO) provides guidance, support and information to students on professionalism issues. The PRO supports students in the development of strong, positive professional practices with peers, faculty, patients and the broader community through effective communication and conflict management.

- Professionalism concerns may be reported directly to the Clerkship Director or included in the student evaluation of the clerkship.
- The Professionalism Conduct Comment Form is an additional mechanism for students to report any concerns, including those about supervision, and it exists across the four-year curriculum. This mechanism ensures anonymity and is collected directly by the Professional Resource Office. This form may be submitted either online or in hard copy to the comment box located on the main floor of the Health Sciences Education Building.

COM-P is committed to creating and maintaining an environment free of discrimination, harassment and retaliation that is unlawful or prohibited by university policy. Please see the Mistreatment of Medical Students Policy, the Anti-Harassment and Nondiscrimination Policy and the Professionalism Policy for additional information. In addition, professional attributes are expected of all students. These attributes are within the Teacher Learner Compact.

Beth Schermer and Rosemarie Christofolo are the liaisons for the Professional Resource Office. Their office is in HSEB A451. They can reach them by telephone, text or email.

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