United States Medical Licensing Examination (USMLE)

Medical students must pass the Step I examination of the United States Medical Licensing Examination (USMLE) in order to be promoted into the Senior year. All students must have taken the Step I examination in order to begin the clinical clerkships of the Junior year. Those who are unsuccessful will be allowed to complete the Junior Clerkships. Those students will not be allowed, however, to begin either Senior Electives or Senior Selectives until they have again sat for that examination. Three (3) failures of the Step I examination of USMLE will result in dismissal from the School of Medicine. Medical students must take the Step II CK and Step II CS examinations of the United States Medical Licensing Examination (USMLE), both clinical knowledge and clinical skills, in order to qualify for graduation from the School of Medicine. The Step III examination will be taken following medical school graduation at a time determined by a state board of medical examiners.

1. Policy on Failure of USMLE Step Exams
   a. Step 1 Failure
      i. A student may have a maximum of 3 attempts to pass this exam. If he/she does not pass in 3 attempts then it is an automatic dismissal from the School of Medicine.
      ii. Student must meet with the Associate Deans of Academic Affairs and Student Affairs.
   b. Step 2 CK Failure
      i. A student may have a maximum of 3 attempts to pass this exam. If he/she does not pass in 3 attempts then it is an automatic dismissal from the School of Medicine.
      ii. Student must meet with the Associate Deans of Academic Affairs and Student Affairs.
iii. Student must also meet with the Clinical Promotions Committee and the Office of Academic Enhancement.

c. **Step 2 CS Failure**
   i. Student must with the Associate Deans of Academic Affairs and Student Affairs.
   ii. Student must also meet with the Clinical Promotions Committee and the Clinical Skills Center.