

Core Clerkship Year Guidelines and Policies

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Clerkship Administration Roles and Responsibilities

Each clerkship is directed by the School's Clerkship Director who oversees all clerkship sites. Each clinical site is directed by a clerkship site director who ensures that students are appropriately supervised and faculty and residents are prepared to teach at their site. Clerkships also have multiple clinical educators that have varying degrees of exposure to students. The responsibilities of the directors and coordinators are described below more specifically. Clerkship directors are assisted by assistant clerkship directors, clerkship site directors, and clerkship coordinators.

School's Clerkship Director & Assistant Clerkship Director

- Oversees the clerkship curriculum's design, implementation, and administration
- Defines clerkship specific learning objectives and requirements
- Creates and maintains an appropriate learning environment, modeling respectful and professional behaviors for and toward students
- Ensures student and faculty access to appropriate resources for medical student education
- Orients students to the overall clerkship, including defining the levels of student responsibility requirements (e.g., required diagnoses and procedures, direct observations, forms, feedback), grading structure and student schedule
- Oversees teaching methods (e.g., lectures, small groups, workshops, clinical skills sessions, and distance learning) to meet clerkship objectives
- Develops faculty involved in the clerkship and provides faculty development across sites specific to clerkship needs
- Evaluates and grades students
 - Develops and monitors assessment materials
 - Uses required methods for evaluation and grading
 - Assures timely mid-clerkship meetings at all sites with students
 - Ensures students receive timely and specific feedback on their performance
 - Submits final grade form for students via School of Medicine's evaluation system
- Evaluates clerkship, faculty, and programs via peer review and annual data from the Medical Education Office (MEO) and national organizations (AAMC, NBME, etc.)
- Supports each student's academic success and professional growth and development, including identifying students experiencing difficulties and providing timely feedback and resources
- Addresses any mistreatment and professionalism concerns in real time and communicate with MEO
- Participates in the school's clerkship Educational Quality Improvement and peer review processes with completion of action items
- Ensures LCME accreditation preparation and adherence
- Adheres to the AAMC-developed guidelines regarding Teacher-Learner Expectations

Overall Clerkship Coordinator

- Supports the clerkship director in their responsibilities above
- Creates and maintains an appropriate learning environment, modeling respectful and professional behaviors for and toward students
- Responds within one business day to student emails and questions
- Maintains student rosters and clinical schedules
- Coordinates orientations and didactic sessions
- Liaises with site directors and administrators to coordinate student experiences across all sites and timely collection of evaluations
- Verifies completion of clerkship requirements, including midpoint and final evaluations for each student, required diagnoses, and FOCuS forms

- Monitors students' reported work hours and report any work hours violations to the clerkship director
- Coordinates and proctors clerkship exams

Clerkship Site Director

- Oversees the clerkship curriculum and administration at the site
- Creates and maintains an appropriate learning environment, modeling respectful and professional behaviors for and toward students
- Is available and responsive to students' questions and concerns
- Ensures all faculty and residents teaching students are oriented to students' expectations, responsibilities, learning objectives, requirements, and assessments used in the clerkship
- Ensures student and faculty access to appropriate resources for medical student education
- Orients students to the clinical site when new students arrive at the site
- Reviews clerkship requirements and student expectations at site
 - Provides site specific information including, but not limited to, lockers, library, call rooms as applicable and required by LCME
 - Reviews site-specific schedule, discusses student role and responsibilities at site, supervision at site, and who to contact with questions and concerns
- Supervises students and ensures clerkship specific required observations are completed
- Meets with the student for the Mid-clerkship review
- Meets with the student for the final exit meeting
- Ensures timely and specific formative feedback based on direct observations
- Works with faculty and residents to delegate increasing levels of responsibility to students based on clerkship requirements
- Provides site didactics when applicable
- Recognizes students with academic or professionalism difficulties and communicates to Clerkship Director in a timely fashion
- Completes and ensures the accuracy of student evaluation forms, including formative and summative narratives for students at the site
 - Ensures collection of feedback and evaluation data from all physicians who work with each student by the end of the clerkship block to meet school's grading deadlines
 - Ensures that narrative data are consistent with and support numerical data
 - Evaluates students fairly, objectively, and consistently following medical school and clerkship rubrics and guidelines
- Addresses any student mistreatment concerns immediately and notifies the Clerkship Director
- Adheres to the AAMC Teacher-Learner Expectations guidelines
- Reviews site specific evaluations at mid-year and end of year and facilitates improvements based on data
- Works with School to provide faculty development for faculty and residents
- Answers Clerkship Director's questions or concerns regarding site evaluation or student concerns
- Participates in educational programming and meetings as requested by Clerkship Director or Assistant Dean for Affiliated Sites
- Adheres to LCME guidelines

Clerkship Site Coordinator

- Supports the clerkship site director in their responsibilities above
- Creates and maintains an appropriate learning environment, modeling respectful and professional behaviors for and toward students
- Responds within one business day to student emails and questions

- Sends out welcome email informing students where and when to arrive at least 72 hours before student start date
- Provides students with their contact information and remains available for questions and concerns during working days and hours
- Ensures students are oriented to clinics and hospital
- Obtains, tracks, and manages student rosters
- Obtains and maintains student information required by the site, as applicable
- Creates and distributes:
 - Student schedules to students, faculty, and staff before clerkship start date
 - Didactics/Presentation schedules, if applicable
- Schedules mid-clerkship evaluations; tracks and keeps record of completion and provides to overall Clerkship Coordinator
- Informs faculty and overall Clerkship Coordinator of student absences
- Arranges and schedules educational resources as applicable (e.g., SIM lab, EMR & Scrub training) and helps students troubleshoot
- Provides students with necessary documents and resources needed to be oriented to site
- Monitors and processes evaluations for distribution to faculty and residents
- Collects timely feedback from faculty for mid and end of clerkship evaluations to meet School's deadlines
- Collects feedback and evaluation data from all physicians who work with each student by end of clerkship block to meet School's grading deadlines
- Understands evaluation system and all site requirements
- Communicates site information changes (e.g., faculty, rotation details) to School's Clerkship Director and Clerkship Coordinator
- Maintains communication with Clerkship coordinator centrally and response within one business day
- Coordinates site specific meetings and faculty development with School

Primary Clinical Educators

- Sets and clearly communicates expectations to students
- Observes students' history taking and physical exam skills, and documents it on the FOCuS form
- Delegates increasing levels of responsibility to students based on clerkship requirements
- Maintains appropriate levels of supervision for students at site
- Creates and maintains an appropriate learning environment, modeling respectful and professional behaviors for and toward students
- Recognizes students with academic or professionalism difficulties and communicates to Clerkship Director in a timely fashion
- Gives students timely and specific formative feedback based on direct observations
- Assesses students objectively using School of Medicine's evaluation system
- Adheres to the AAMC Teacher-Learner Expectations guidelines

Assessment and Grading in the 3rd Year

All core clerkships and selectives use the below grading structure. *See the clerkship specific materials for each clerkship's graded components.*

Formative Assessments

The purpose of formative assessment is to improve student learning by providing feedback on how well they are learning skills and content during the clerkship. Formative assessments are not included in the calculations of students' final grades. Each clerkship has required **FOCuS** (Feedback based on **O**bservation of **C**linical **U**ME **S**tudent) forms which must be completed by the mid/end of the clerkship. These forms will provide formative assessment through direct observation of CSEF behaviors. Each student is required to complete one interviewing technique and one physical exam FOCuS form on each clerkship.

In the Medicine Clerkship the FOCuS forms will be replaced by SOC's and a Directly Observed H&P.

AME Educational Coaching/Kaiser Faculty Direct Observation

During the third year, students will be directly observed by their core AME (or Kaiser) faculty three times throughout the year. They will also submit one write up in their core AME/Kaiser faculty's discipline, and one video of a session with an SP for review and feedback. At the end of the year, the core AME/Kaiser faculty will write a narrative summary describing the student's growth trajectory and competency development in the observed domains.

Formative Assessment and Feedback Policy

Boston University Chobanian & Avedisian School of Medicine ensures that each medical student is provided with formative assessment early enough during each required course or clerkship to allow sufficient time for remediation. Formative assessment occurs at least at the midpoint of each required course or clerkship four or more weeks in length.

Full Policy: <https://www.bumc.bu.edu/camed/education/medical-education/policies/formative-assessment-and-feedback/>

Mid-Clerkship Review

You and your clerkship director, site director or primary faculty/preceptor will complete the Mid-clerkship Evaluation form at the mid clerkship point.

The purpose of this evaluation is to give the student a chance to understand both their strengths as well as opportunities to improve. The feedback received at the mid-clerkship review is intended to allow the student to improve their clinical skills in real time.

NBME Subject Examination

Students will take the NBME Subject Examination on the last Friday of the clerkship (unless otherwise communicated by the Medical Education Office). Students are given a reading day the day before the exam. Students do not report to their clerkship site on the reading day or the day of the exam. Students will be given 2 hours and 45 minutes to complete this exam. Shelf exam dates can be found in the [3rd year google calendar](#).

Final Summative Assessments

The final summative assessment will be based on the clerkship grading policy and include a final narrative describing your overall grade, clinical grade, based on the CSEF (Clinical Student Evaluation Form), and other assessments, depending on the clerkship. The summative narrative must include a final summative statement regarding your professionalism on the clerkship (meet expectations or did not meet expectations) per the AAMC MSPE requirements. The final grade form summative narrative appears in your MSPE and is based on

aggregate comments from your individual CSEFs and is written by a site director/clerkship director and is reviewed by the clerkship director before submission.

Grading

- Your clinical grade is based on all submitted Individual CSEFs.
 - Faculty/residents complete Individual/Group CSEFs each clerkship, providing numeric scores and narrative comments for observed domains. The clerkship director/associate director completes the Final Grade Form. The overall grade(H/HP/P/F) is calculated from CSEFs, shelf, and other graded elements and should be supported by narratives.
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Individual/Group CSEFs Narratives

Narrative comments are expected to include:

2. **Summative comments** of your learning:
 - Overall performance comments based on the evaluator's direct observations of the student, forming the primary input for the final summative narrative.
2. **Formative comments** which are for your learning
 - Typically not included in the final grade/Dean's Letter
 - Rarely, select comments may be used in the summative narrative to support the final grade.
3. **Professionalism comments** which are also for your learning
 - Makes clear the clinical and administrative behaviors expected in the profession
 - Generally, will not end up on your Dean's letter
 - Rarely, select comments may be used in the summative narrative to support the final grade.

Final Grade Form

- **Summative Comments**
 - Comments that describe the most representative performance, not simply the "best" or "worst" comment
 - Provide support/evidence for final grade- Therefore, may include comments from summative, formative and professionalism comments of individual/group evaluations
 - Explains your growth and strength areas
 - *e.g. This student grew in their oral presentation skills, demonstrating positive response to feedback.*
 - *This student earned clinical honors, and after incorporating the shelf exam (or other component), the overall final grade is HP."*
- **Formative and Professionalism Comments**
 - Compiled from individual evaluations
 - Both boxes will not end up on the Deans letter unless there are chronic trends, i.e. patterns of behavior, across multiple clerkships

Remotely administered assessments

Only for Neurology Clerkship

Students are responsible for ensuring that they meet any technical needs required for remotely administered assessments (e.g., NBME Shelf Exams, OCRAs). This includes, but is not limited to, ensuring:

- computer specifications meet requirements outlined on the Alumni Medical Library website: <https://www.bumc.bu.edu/medlib/computing/nbme/> for NBME shelf exams, the student runs the laptop certification process noted below
- a consistent and stable internet connection
- a quiet testing space where the student will not be disturbed during assessment administration

Clerkships will reserve BUMC space as an onsite testing space for any remotely administered assessments. Students who do not have an appropriate testing space or prefer to test on campus should reach out to their clerkship coordinator at least two weeks prior to the assessment to make arrangements to test on campus.

Students with technical difficulties during a remotely administered assessment who do not take their assessment at a designated campus location will not be able to submit a grade reconsideration request solely for this reason.

Exam Policies

<https://www.bumc.bu.edu/camed/education/medical-education/policies/exam-policies-for-medical-students/>

Shelf Exam Laptop Certification Process

Students must certify their laptops one week before the NBME Subject Exam and again on the day before the exam. Instructions are provided on the Alumni Medical Library website at:

<http://www.bumc.bu.edu/medlib/services/computing/nbme/>

If a student has technical difficulties during a shelf exam, they must report this to the clerkship coordinator. The clerkship coordinator must inform the Medical Education Office, and the student is required to have their laptop evaluated by BUMC IT before their next shelf exam.

<https://www.bumc.bu.edu/it/support/bumc-it/request/>

Testing Center Policies

<https://www.bumc.bu.edu/camed/education/medical-education/policies/l-11-testing-center/>

Make-Up/Remediation Shelf Exams

Students needing to make up the exam or remediate only the exam portion of the clerkship must contact the Clerkship Coordinator to arrange for a make-up/remediation date. **Students may not take a make-up or remediation exam during any block they currently have a scheduled rotation.** Make-up and remediation exams will typically be scheduled at the end of the third-year blocks between mid-May and early June. See academic calendar for remediation dates.

Supervision Policy

Initially, the primary clinical faculty members should designate time to observe you performing: **history taking, focused physical exam, clinical problem-solving and interaction with patients and patient education.** Once the supervisor establishes the student's level of confidence and competency, the student should be delegated increasing levels of responsibility in patient care, as appropriate. Although students may initiate a particular patient encounter on their own and without direct supervision, the faculty must at some point

review the encounter with the student and inform the patient in-person that the student's assessment and management plan has been reviewed and approved by the faculty. The faculty is ultimately responsible for the evaluation, treatment, management, and documentation of patient care. If students have concerns regarding their clinical supervision, the site director and clerkship director should be immediately notified. Any supervision concerns should also be immediately submitted through the ATM link or directly to the Associate Dean of Medical Education.

Supervision and Delegating Increasing Levels of Responsibility

It is expected that the level of student responsibility and supervision will be commensurate with student's competency and level of confidence. When the student arrives to a new setting, a faculty may wish to observe you for the first session. Thereafter, you should begin to see patients on your own. In the outpatient setting, **the student should initially perform 4-5 focused visits per day in the first week, increasing to 6-12 thereafter. In the inpatient setting, the student should initially follow 1-2 patients and increased to 3-4 thereafter. This will vary slightly by clerkship.** When a student feels that they are being asked to perform beyond their level of confidence or competency, it is the responsibility of the student to promptly inform the preceptor. It is then the preceptor's responsibility to constructively address the student's concerns and appropriately restructure the teaching encounter to address the student's learning needs.

Under no circumstances should the following occur:

- Patient leaves the office/hospital without having had a direct face-to-face encounter with clinical faculty/supervising resident.
- Primary faculty gives "prior approval" for student to perform intervention (order labs, prescribe meds) without satisfactory review.
- Patient leaves office/hospital without being informed that assessment/ management plan has been directly reviewed and approved by the faculty.
- Learning in which a student is expected to perform an intervention or encounter without the prerequisite training and/or adequate supervision.
- Student note provides the only record of the visit. Although all faculty see all patients, faculty must document that they were actually the person responsible for seeing and examining the patient.

Informed Consent Policy for Invasive Procedures, Important Tasks related to a Surgery, and Intimate Examinations

Students participating in an intimate exam with a patient (which includes, pelvic, genitourinary and rectal exam) must have a chaperone with them, irrespective of the gender of the patient or the student. Permission to participate in an intimate exam must be obtained by the supervisor in advance of the examination itself. The patient has the right to decline student attendance at any examination. If a student is unable to perform any intimate exam due to patient preference, the student's evaluation will not be impacted and if necessary, the clerkship director will provide an alternative experience.

Students who will be performing important tasks related to surgery, intimate examinations, or invasive procedures for educational and training purposes with a patient must have a supervisor obtain informed consent from the patient.

Intimate examinations may include but are not limited to, breast, pelvic, prostate, and rectal examinations and consent must be obtained irrespective of the patient or student's gender.

Permission to participate, informed consent, to do any of the above must be obtained by the supervisor from the patient in advance of the surgery, examination, procedure itself. The patient has the right to decline student attendance at any examination or procedure.

If a student is unable to perform any intimate exam or participate in a surgery or procedure due to patient preference, the student's evaluation will not be impacted and if necessary, the clerkship director will provide an alternative experience.

Boston Medical Center's Chaperone Guidelines for Sensitive Exams

These guidelines provide the expectations of BMC clinicians in the use of chaperones during sensitive examinations/procedures (including but not limited to genital, rectum, pelvis, prostate, or breast examinations). Students and/or non-clinical staff should not be used as chaperones, even if they are present and/or participating in the examination/procedure.

Physical Exam Demonstrations

The demonstration of the physical examination on students should not be done by any supervisor of students including residents and attending faculty. Practicing the physical examination on students places them in a position where they may feel pressure to consent to something they may not feel comfortable with.

Third Year Student Expectations

Students are expected to adhere to BU's and Chobanian & Avedisian School of Medicine's policies, provided below in the [BU Policies and Student Support Services section](#).

Professional Comportment

Students are expected to adhere to the AAMC-developed guidelines regarding Teacher-Learner Expectations, located on the Policies page, under "Academic Policies and Information"

<https://www.bumc.bu.edu/camed/files/2025/02/AAMC-Teacher-Learner-Expectations.pdf>

Students are expected to be aware of and follow the site expectations on professional comportment, including, but not limited to, dress code and the use of phones, pagers, and laptops. Students must arrive on time at their site and for any scheduled sessions. Any missed sessions and absences must adhere to the Attendance, Time Off, and Personal Days Policy.

Attendance Policies

On-site hours must be limited to 80 hours per week, averaged over a two-week period. Violations should be reported directly to the clerkship director or to an Associate Dean (Medical Education or Student Affairs). As part of becoming a professional, medical students should have the flexibility to address personal and professional needs at their discretion. In the clerkship year, as students transition to more of a professional work environment, they gain the responsibility of a working professional, yet do not have the agency to attend to their personal needs. As such, the Student Affairs Office and Medical Education Office have developed this personal day policy in conjunction with the clerkship directors for the core clerkship year. In addition to addressing issues of wellness and professional development, this policy will teach students the importance of time management and managing days off.

Time off requests must comply with the Attendance, Time Off, and Personal Days Policy.

- **Attendance, Time Off, and Personal Days Policy:**

- <https://www.bumc.bu.edu/camed/education/medical-education/policies/attendance-time-off-policy/>

- **Excused Absences & Personal Days Requests:**

- <https://wwwapp.bumc.bu.edu/MedPersonalDays/home/Index>

- **Work Hours:** <https://www.bumc.bu.edu/camed/education/medical-education/policies/work-hours/>

- **Jury Service:** <http://www.bu.edu/dos/policies/lifebook/jury-service/>

- **Religious Observance:** <https://www.bu.edu/academics/policies/absence-for-religious-reasons/>
- **Weather Policy:** <https://www.bumc.bu.edu/camed/education/medical-education/policies/weather-policy/>

Clerkship Personal Day/Restricted Dates

Students may not request a personal day that falls within a clerkship's restricted days. Clerkship-specific restricted days can be found on the Attendance, Time Off, and Personal Days Policy:

<https://www.bumc.bu.edu/camed/education/medical-education/policies/attendance-time-off-policy/#restricted>

Ethical Behavior for Examinations and Mandatory Sessions

- Refrain from any conversation with your peers during exams and as you leave the L-11 testing space (when applicable), including within the vending room and elevator waiting area, until you are on the elevator.
- Refrain from leaving your computer camera view at any point during the examination. Any time where a student cannot be viewed may result in failure of the examination.
- Don't seek or receive copies of the examinations
- Signing in classmates, or signing in yourself and not staying for mandatory sessions is considered cheating and violations will be referred to Medical Student Disciplinary Committee
- If you are aware of any violations of the ethical standards listed above, within the Student Disciplinary Code of Academic and Professional Conduct, or otherwise, report it to the Clerkship Director

Student Evaluation of the Clerkship

Student feedback is a highly valued, critical resource for helping us continually improve our curriculum. Evaluation of learning experiences is a requirement of the Liaison Committee on Medical Education. To ensure that we have a representative amount of data on our courses and clerkships, all students are expected to complete an evaluation via the School of Medicine's evaluation system, MedHub (<https://bu.medhub.com/>), for each of the courses/modules and their instructors. All evaluations are anonymous and aggregate data is only released to clerkship directors after grades have been submitted for the blocks. Please comment freely and honestly about your experience.

Blackboard

Students will have access to a Blackboard site for the clerkship. The site is listed under "My Courses" on your Blackboard landing page.

Students who have questions about the Blackboard site or find that they do not have access to the site should contact the Clerkship Coordinator for assistance.

Blackboard Learn: <https://learn.bu.edu/>

Learning Environment Expectations

Chobanian & Avedisian School of Medicine has a **ZERO** tolerance policy for medical student mistreatment. We expect students to be aware of the policy for appropriate treatment in medicine, including procedures for reporting mistreatment.

Learning more about the school's efforts to maintain and improve the learning environment at: <https://www.bumc.bu.edu/camed/education/medical-education/learning-environment/>

Cultivating Attention to Foster Community

We believe that learning should take place in an environment that fosters collaboration and engagement, where students are encouraged to learn from the course content and from one another. We strive to intentionally design our classes to support sustained attention, where students can step away from the noise and distractions of the outside world and engage in meaningful, focused interaction. In any learning environment, sustained attention to others—through listening, dialogue, and presence—builds trust and empathy. Thus, attention is a foundational act of community-building, countering the isolating effects of digital distraction and helping individuals feel anchored in a collective purpose.

Our expectations with technology use are that they should support learning and connection, not fragment attention. Devices are expected to be used purposefully—such as for note-taking, research, or collaboration—rather than for multitasking, shopping or entertainment during classroom sessions and shared activities. Students are encouraged to silence notifications and close unrelated apps to foster deeper engagement with your team and faculty. Students should use their peers as a resource for learning rather than digital tools.

We also expect our educators to model thoughtful technology use, demonstrating how digital tools can enhance rather than erode attention and community. We will be using digital and AI tools and will share how these tools are intended to complement learning, not supplement it.

Appropriate Treatment in Medicine

Students who have experienced or witnessed mistreatment are encouraged to report it using one of the following methods:

- Contact the chair of the Appropriate Treatment in Medicine Committee (ATM), Dr. Vincent Smith, MD, directly by email (vincent.smith@bmc.org)
- Submit an online Incident Report Form through the online reporting system <https://www.bumc.bu.edu/camed/student-affairs/atm/report-an-incident-to-atm/>

These reports are sent to the ATM chair directly. Complaints will be kept confidential and addressed quickly.

Appropriate Treatment in Medicine website: <https://www.bumc.bu.edu/camed/student-affairs/atm/>

Monitoring the Learning Environment: How Your Feedback is Used

<https://www.bumc.bu.edu/camed/education/md/learning-environment/monitoring-the-learning-environment-how-your-feedback-is-used/>

Learning Environment Sessions

Learning Environment Sessions (LES) are student-facilitated meetings that occur in each block of each clinical clerkship/selective to allow students to provide real-time feedback about their experiences in the clinical learning environment. Feedback is anonymously provided to the clerkship directors and MEO who create action steps and plans.

Student Support Services

Academic Enhancement Office

The Academic Enhancement Office (AEO) supports the academic and personal success of all medical students. Recognizing that individual students have different needs in order to be successful in medical school, various programs and services are available to all current medical students. Programs are designed to help students adjust to the rigors of medical school and strive to learn balance, with more effective study habits that

promote and sustain lifelong learning. Through small group sessions and individual meetings, we work with students to leverage the necessary skills to balance academic and personal growth.

<https://www.bumc.bu.edu/busm/student-affairs/office-of-academic-enhancement/>

Tutoring

Peer tutors may be requested via the Academic Enhancement Office's Peer Tutoring Program at:

<https://www.bumc.bu.edu/camed/student-affairs/office-of-academic-enhancement/peer-tutoring-program/>

Disability & Access Services

Students who wish to request accommodations for learning at Chobanian & Avedisian School of Medicine can do so through Disability & Access Services. Information about the process is available on the Academic Enhancement Office's page:

<https://www.bumc.bu.edu/camed/student-affairs/office-of-academic-enhancement/accommodations-for-learning/>

Disability & Access Services' goal is to provide services and support to ensure that students are able to access and participate in the opportunities available at Boston University. In keeping with this objective, students are expected and encouraged to utilize the resources of Disability & Access Services to the degree they determine necessary. Although a significant degree of independence is expected of students, Disability & Access Services is available to assist should the need arise.

<https://www.bu.edu/disability/accommodations/>

Important Policies for the 3rd Year

Scrubs Policy

<https://www.bumc.bu.edu/camed/education/medical-education/policies/scrubs-policy/>

Needle Sticks and Exposure Procedure

The needle sticks and exposure policy outlines the appropriate preventative measures and what to do in the case of unprotected exposure to body fluids.

<https://www.bumc.bu.edu/camed/student-affairs/additional-student-resources/needle-stickexposure/>

Boston University Sexual Misconduct/Title IX Policy

This university-wide policy can be located at: <https://www.bu.edu/policies/sexual-misconduct-title-ix-hr/http://www.bu.edu/safety/sexual-misconduct/title-ix-bu-policies/sexual-misconducttitle-ix-policy/>

Policies and Procedures for Evaluation, Grading and Promotion of Students

Grade reconsideration policies can be found here. This is a school-wide policy and can be located at:

<https://www.bumc.bu.edu/camed/faculty/evaluation-grading-and-promotion-of-students/>

Early Identification and Feed Forward Policy

https://www.bumc.bu.edu/camed/education/medical-education/policies/early_identification_policy/

Using Generative AI in Coursework Guidelines

With the increased use of Generative AI, Boston University's Faculty of Computing & Data Sciences has issued guidelines around use and attribution.

<https://www.bu.edu/cds-faculty/culture-community/conduct/gaia-policy/>

General Student Policies

Medical Student Disciplinary Code of Academic and Professional Conduct

The School of Medicine expects all students to adhere to the high standards of behavior expected of physicians during all professional and patient care activities at the school and all of its academic affiliates. All students must uphold the standards of the medical profession. This includes, but is not limited to, being respectful of patients, staff, members of the faculty, their peers, and the community, being aware of the ways in which their conduct may affect others and conducting themselves with honesty and integrity in all interactions.

Students are also required to adhere to the highest standards of academic honesty and professional conduct in relation to their coursework.

<https://www.bumc.bu.edu/camed/files/2023/06/Medical-Student-Code-of-Conduct-and-Disciplinary-Procedures-Final.pdf>

Boston University Social Media Guidelines

This university-wide policy can be located at: <http://www.bu.edu/policies/information-security-home/social-media-guidelines/>

School of Medicine Policies

In addition to the expectations listed above, all students are expected to adhere to Chobanian & Avedisian School of Medicine and Boston University policies.

<https://www.bumc.bu.edu/camed/education/medical-education/policies/>

Instructional Tools

MedHub

Chobanian & Avedisian School of Medicine uses MedHub for evaluation and assessment. MedHub uses Single-Sign-On with BU accounts, and contains tutorial and training resources under the “Help” tab once logged in. Students with technical issues or in need of additional help beyond the resources provided should submit a support ticket via: <https://www.bumc.bu.edu/edtech/medhub-general-support/>

Echo360/Technology

Echo360 may only be used for streaming captured lecture videos; the videos may not be downloaded. Taking smartphone or digital pictures or videos of any part of the lecture in class, or at home, is similar to downloading and is not allowed. There are a number of reasons for this, including that students and/or the University may be liable for violations of federal copyright and privacy laws as a result of the use of copied material.

If you experience any technical problems, please report the issue in one of the following ways to generate an IT ticket:

- **Echo360 Related Issues:** Create a ticket on the Ed Media site (<http://www.bumc.bu.edu/bumc-emc/instructional-services/echo360/>): sign in and provide pertinent information that will enable an effective response. Have a link to the problematic video ready to copy/paste into this form.
- **Educational Technology Related Issues:** For assistance with technology supported by BUMC's Educational Media (e.g., ExamSoft), email edtechhelp@bu.edu to create a ticket.

- **Other Technology Related Issues:** For assistance with BU-wide technology, such as Blackboard, email an example (e.g., picture or very brief phone video) to ithelp@bu.edu with a descriptive subject line and give as many details as possible on the what, where, how you are using the service and what type of computer, browser, etc. along with type of student (i.e. M3). Always include link(s) to or screen shots of where the issue is occurring.
- **School's Policy on Recordings:** <https://www.bumc.bu.edu/camed/education/medical-education/policies/classroom-recordings/>