

## The Medical College of Georgia Office of Academic Affairs

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## **Medical Student Research Timing Policy**

Pre-Clerkship

On the Augusta campus only, medical students can begin their research journey in January of their first year if they have successfully completed Foundations and MSK/Skin. Students are not permitted to conduct research prior to January of the first year without special permission from their Class Dean and/or Academic Advisor. On the Athens and Savannah campuses, students may begin research at the beginning of their first academic semester of their first year.

Students in pre-clerkship who want to engage in research must do so outside of regularly scheduled curriculum time. Additionally, students will need to have completed the appropriate Citi training and will need permission from their Class Dean and/or Academic Advisor, and the Course Director of the Scholarly Project.

## Clerkship

Medical students in the clerkship phase can engage in research while enrolled in clerkships or electives outside of regularly scheduled curriculum time.

## Advanced Clerkship/Enrichment

Medical students in the advanced clerkship or enrichment phases can schedule research electives or engage in research as time permits around the requirements of this phase.