



**The Medical College of Georgia
Academic Affairs Office**

USMLE Step 1 Policy

USMLE Step 1 will no longer apply for promotion from pre-clerkship to clerkship experience.

Option A- students apply to take Step 1 prior to clerkships. Study period will last for a maximum of 6 weeks. Application will be approved and vetted by curriculum office. If student takes Step 1 and fails, s/he will be allowed to continue in the curriculum and will take Step 1 after clerkships.

Option B- students apply to take Step 1 after clerkships. Study period will last for approximately 4-12 weeks. Application will be approved and vetted by curriculum office. If student takes Step 1 and fails, s/he will not be advanced to the advanced clerkships until passage of Step 1.