

Paul L. Foster School of Medicine

Medical Education Program Policy

Policy Name:	Timely Course, Clerkship, and Curriculum Requirement Grade Release				
Policy Domain:	Assessment		Refers to LCME Element(s):	9.8	
Approval Authority:	Curriculum and Educational Policy Committee	Adopted:	7/11/2016	Date Last Reviewed:	
Responsible Executive:	Associate Dean for Medical Education	Date Last Revised:	January 2024		
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- 1. **Policy Statement:** All course, clerkship and, when relevant, curriculum requirement grades shall be made official and available to the student in a timely manner, and always within 6 weeks.
- Reason for Policy: This policy is intended to ensure the timely processing and release of grades.
- Who Should Read this Policy: All course, clerkship and curriculum requirement directors, co-directors and coordinators, as well as all faculty responsible for administering summative student assessments.
- 4. Resources: Office of Medical Education officers (associate and assistant deans) and staff.
- 5. **Definitions**:
 - a. "Grades": Final course/clerkship/curriculum requirement summative assessments, including any summative assessments required for academic promotion and/or graduation.
 - b. "Always": Without exception.
- 6. The Policy: All course, clerkship and, when relevant, curriculum requirement grades (any summative assessments required for academic promotion and/or graduation) shall be made official and available to the student in a timely manner, and always within 6 weeks. It is expected that grades shall be released within 4 weeks. When a course, clerkship, and/or graduation requirement director, assistant director, or coordinator determines that a final grade will not be available to a student within 4 weeks, the Office of Medical Education shall be notified as soon as possible (by contacting the relevant assistant dean or the associate dean for medical education), and steps shall be taken to ensure the posting and availability of the grade within 6 weeks. Any violations of this policy shall be referred to the Curriculum and Educational Policy Committee for review and action.
 - a. Note: If a student has not completed all course/clerkship requirements or is pending allowable remediation of any component of the course or clerkship, then a temporary grade will be issued according to the *Grade Changes and Transcript Notations Policy*. The final assessment and final grade will not be issued until all components of the course/clerkship have been completed and remediation resolved.