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POLICY

All candidates for the degree of Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine shall be required to participate in the COMLEX examination program published by the National Board of Osteopathic Medical Examiners. Students must meet all requirements set forth in the college catalog as well as achieve passing grades on Levels 1 and 2 and meet the national standard for osteopathic clinical skills competency to receive the Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine degree. The curriculum and instructional design shall be modified periodically to maximize student competency acquisition as measured by performance on these examinations.

RESPONSIBLE OFFICIAL(S):

Registrar, Offices of Pre-Clinical Education, Clinical Education, and Curriculum Effectiveness and Evaluation

PROCEDURES:

1. The College shall provide the NBOME with a roster of all students eligible to sit for COMLEX Levels 1 and 2.

2. Candidates for the DO degree shall be required to take COMLEX Level I prior to entering core clinical clerkships. Students not passing on any attempt will be subject to review by the Student Performance Committee and may be removed from clinical clerkships at the discretion of the Dean or her/his designee until the exam is remediated.

3. In addition to requirements set forth in the college catalog, candidates for the DO degree shall be required to achieve a passing grade on COMLEX Level 2 to be eligible for graduation.

4. Cumulative data provided by the NBOME that includes school-specific performance on COMLEX Levels 1, 2 and 3 shall be reviewed at least annually to assess overall student performance. Such data will be published on the college's web site.

5. In order to assure acquisition of core competence, curricular content and instructional design shall be subject to revision based in part upon COMLEX performance.

CROSS REFERENCE: