University of South Carolina School of Medicine
Academic Calendar 2020-2021

M-I – M-II
Mandatory M-I Orientation.................................................................July 27 – August 7, 2020
Classes Begin ..................................................................................August 10
Labor Day (virtual classes) ............................................................ September 7
Election Day (virtual classes) ...........................................................November 3
Thanksgiving Break...........................................................................November 26 – November 29
Virtual Class Days ........................................................................ November 30-December 1
Last Day of Classes.........................................................................December 1
Reading Day..................................................................................... December 2
Final Exams (remote delivery) ..........................................................December 3 – December 11
Winter Break .................................................................................December 12 - January 3, 2021
Spring Semester classes begin...........................................................January 5
Martin Luther King Jr. Service Day..................................................January 18
Spring Break ...................................................................................March 7 - 14
Last Day of Classes ...........................................................................M2 Classes: April 26, M1 Classes: April 30
Reading Day.....................................................................................M2 Classes: April 27, M1 Classes: May 3
Final Exams.......................................................................................M2: April 28 – May 7, M1 May 4- May 13
Step 1 preparation/time off .............................................................May 8 through June 25, 2021
Deadline for taking the Step 1 Examination.....................................June 25, 2021

M-III
M-III Orientation..............................................................................June 29-30 and July 1-2, 2020

Fall Semester
Internal Medicine/Neurology Block 1 twelve weeks .........................July 6 - September 25
Internal Medicine/Neurology Block 2 twelve weeks .........................September 28 – December 18

OB/Gynecology or Psychiatry Block 1 six weeks ..............................July 6 – August 14
OB/Gynecology or Psychiatry Block 2 six weeks ............................... August 17 – September 25
OB/Gynecology or Psychiatry Block 3 six weeks ..............................September 28 – November 6
OB/Gynecology or Psychiatry Block 4 six weeks ..............................November 9 – December 18

Surgery/Family (E)/Pediatrics Block 1 eight weeks ...........................July 6 – August 28
Family Medicine: July 6 – August 14.............................................Two 1 week electives: August 17 & August 24
Surgery/Family (E)/Pediatrics Block 2 eight weeks .............................August 31 – October 23
Family Medicine: August 31 – October 9 .......................................Two 1 week electives: October 12 & October 19
Surgery/Family (E)/Pediatrics Block 3 eight weeks .............................October 26 – December 18
Family Medicine: October 26 – December 4 .................................Two 1 week electives: December 7 & December 14

Thanksgiving Day ...........................................................................November 26
Winter Break ..................................................................................December 19 – January 3, 2021
Makeup day for M-III subject exams (if needed).................................January 8 (Fall Semester Blocks)

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Spring Semester
Internal Medicine/Neurology Block 1 twelve weeks ........................................... January 4 – March 26
Internal Medicine/Neurology Block 2 twelve weeks ............................................. April 5 – June 25

OB/Gynecology or Psychiatry Block 1 six weeks ....................................................... January 4 – February 12
OB/Gynecology or Psychiatry Block 2 six weeks ..................................................... February 15 – March 26
OB/Gynecology or Psychiatry Block 3 six weeks ....................................................... April 5 – May 14
OB/Gynecology or Psychiatry Block 4 six weeks ..................................................... May 17 – June 25

Surgery/Family (E)/Pediatrics Block 1 eight weeks .................................................. January 4 – February 26
Two 1 week electives: January 4 & January 11 .... Family Medicine: January 18 (if not closed) - February 26
Surgery/Family (E)/Pediatrics Block 2 eight weeks .................................................. March 8 – April 30
Two 1 week electives: March 8 & March 15 .... Family Medicine: March 22 – April 30
Surgery/Family (E)/Pediatrics Block 3 eight weeks .................................................... May 3 – June 25
Two 1 week electives: May 3 & May 10 .............................................................. Family Medicine: May 17 – June 25

Intersession 1 (students finishing Surgery, Pediatrics, & Family Medicine) .................. March 1 – March 5
Intersession 2 (students finishing Internal Medicine/Neuro, OB/GYN, & Psychiatry) .... March 29 – April 2
Makeup day for M-III subject exams (if needed) ..................................................... July 9 (Spring Semester Blocks)

MIV
Rotation 1 ................................................................. July 6 – July 31, 2020
Rotation 2 ................................................................. August 3 – August 28
Rotation 3 ................................................................. August 31 – September 25
Rotation 4 ................................................................. September 28 – October 23
Rotation 5 ................................................................. October 26 – November 20
Rotation 6 ................................................................. November 23 – December 18
Thanksgiving Day .............................................. November 26
Deadline for Taking the Step 2 Examinations (CS and CK) ...................................... December 18, 2020
Winter Break ....................................................... December 19– January 3, 2021
Rotation 7 ................................................................. January 4 – January 29
Rotation 8 ................................................................. February 1 – February 26
Rotation 9 ................................................................. March 1 – March 26
Rotation 10 ............................................................. March 29 – April 23
Rotation 11 (Capstone) ............................................ April 26 – April 30
Commencement .............................................................. May 7, 2021

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