



M.D. Program Curriculum Committee Meeting Minutes

Date: January 16, 2026

Time: 2:01 PM – 3:10 PM

Chaired by: Dr. Jeffrey LaRochelle

Voting members present: Drs. Asmar, Castiglioni, Dexter, Gros, Khan-Assad, Lebowitz, Mehta, Piazza, and Slimani; (M4) Sarkis, (M2) Nakirikanti, and (M2) Rodriguez

Attendees: Drs. Beg, Bhatti, Bradshaw, Dil, Frederick, Harris, Kathuria, Kauffman, Kibble, Pasarica, Pelligia, Plochocki, Selim, Smith, and Verduin; Ms. Berry, Ms. Borges, Ms. Brooks, Ms. Garcia, Ms. Gillum, Mr. Quigley, Mr. Van Blaricom, Mr. Voorhees, and Ms. Walton

CCOM Meeting Times

- Faculty have requested a change in the meeting time for CCom.
- A poll will be sent to the committee for a vote.

Consent Agenda – Dr. LaRochelle

- Members approved of the meeting minutes for November 21, 2025.

M1/M2 Subcommittee – Dr. Kauffman

- Members approved of the *IS-5 Grading Schema*. Changes are as follows:
 - The longitudinal anatomy report will be worth 8% instead of 2%.
 - Clinical Sciences SCE 14 has more weight because it is a two-station event across the course.
- Members **did not** approve of the proposal to switch Organ Systems between IS-2 (Gastrointestinal) and IS-3 (Endocrine). The committee recommended that no changes be made until PES has completed phase 1 review of the curriculum. PES review and any changes to the curriculum will need to be completed prior to the end of 2026.

M3/M4 Subcommittee – Dr. Pasarica

- The following agenda items were tabled.
 - *New Required Clinical Encounter for the Psychiatry Clerkship*
 - *Acting Internship in Internal Medicine course proposal*
 - *Programming for Biomedical Data Science with Python course proposal*

Student Updates

- M2s: Students have received their rotation schedule. Students have also requested more in-person sessions, as well as having course materials be sent to students on time.
- M4s: Students are finishing the interview season and are looking forward to Match Day.

Action Items

- A poll will be sent to committee members.