Policies & Guidelines of the School of Medicine

The policies and guidelines listed here relate to Washington University’s and the medical school’s educational mission. These policies, procedures and guidelines exist to assist Washington University students, faculty and administrators with doing the business of Washington University in St. Louis in ways that are effective, consistent and compliant and to provide a safe, effective and supportive environment in which to learn, teach and work.

Washington University Policies & Guidelines

Some universitywide policies are available on the University Policies page (http://bulletin.wustl.edu/about/policies/) of this Bulletin. A more complete list is available on the Washington University Compliance and Policies page (https://wustl.edu/about/compliance-policies/).

School of Medicine Policies & Guidelines

Washington University School of Medicine is committed to providing a safe, professional and supportive environment in which to learn. These policies and guidelines pertain to professionalism, appropriate conduct and student rights. They exist to protect students and employees as they conduct their daily responsibilities.

• Student Health & Safety Policies (http://bulletin.wustl.edu/medicine/policies/student-health-and-safety/)
  • Bloodborne Pathogens Policy (http://bulletin.wustl.edu/medicine/policies/student-health-and-safety/#bloodborne-pathogens)
  • Liability Insurance (http://bulletin.wustl.edu/medicine/policies/liability-insurance/)
• Professionalism & Conduct Policies (http://bulletin.wustl.edu/medicine/policies/wusm-professionalism-conduct/)
  • Policy Against Abusive Conduct (http://bulletin.wustl.edu/medicine/policies/wusm-professionalism-conduct/#abusive-conduct)
  • Research Integrity Policy (http://bulletin.wustl.edu/medicine/policies/wusm-professionalism-conduct/#research-integrity)
• Social Media Policy (http://bulletin.wustl.edu/medicine/policies/wusm-professionalism-conduct/#social-media)
• Student Organization Alcohol Guidelines (http://bulletin.wustl.edu/medicine/policies/wusm-professionalism-conduct/#alcohol-guidelines)
• Teacher/Learner Relationships and Policy Against Medical Student Mistreatment (http://bulletin.wustl.edu/medicine/policies/wusm-professionalism-conduct/#teacher-learner-relationships)
• School of Medicine Programs Student Mistreatment Reporting and Monitoring Policy (http://bulletin.wustl.edu/medicine/policies/student-mistreatment/)
• Student Rights Policies (http://bulletin.wustl.edu/medicine/policies/student-rights/)
  • Policy on Student Rights Under the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (http://bulletin.wustl.edu/medicine/policies/student-rights/#ferpa)
  • Students With Disabilities Policy (http://bulletin.wustl.edu/medicine/policies/student-rights/#students-with-disabilities)

MD Program Policies & Guidelines

These policies and guidelines pertain to the four- and five-year medical degree programs as well as to the MD portion of joint degree programs. Full information about the Student Constitution and Bylaws can be found in Canvas (https://md.wustl.edu/academics/learning-management-technology-canvas/).

Please note that the MD Program Policies & Guidelines are subject to change as needed; effective dates will be noted.

Policies for All MD Students

• Access to Healthcare Services Policy (http://bulletin.wustl.edu/medicine/policies/md-absences/#access-to-healthcare-services)
• Clinical Supervision Policy (http://bulletin.wustl.edu/medicine/policies/md-clinical-supervision/)
• Duty Hour Policy (http://bulletin.wustl.edu/medicine/policies/md-duty-hour/)
• Grade Notification Policy (http://bulletin.wustl.edu/medicine/policies/md-evaluation/#GradeNotifications)
• Pharmaceutical and Medical Device Industry Policy (Conflicts of Interest) (https://fpp.wustl.edu/policies/policy-on-conflicts-of-interest-in-clinical-care/)
• Students with Disabilities Policy (http://bulletin.wustl.edu/medicine/policies/md-evaluation/#disabilities)
• Technical Standards for the School of Medicine (http://bulletin.wustl.edu/medicine/policies/technical-standards/)
• Transportation Policy (http://bulletin.wustl.edu/medicine/policies/md-professionalism/#transportation)
Policies for Gateway Curriculum Students

- Formative Assessment and Feedback (http://bulletin.wustl.edu/medicine/policies/md-evaluation/#formative)
- Monitoring of Student Time (http://bulletin.wustl.edu/medicine/policies/student-time/)
- Narrative Assessment (http://bulletin.wustl.edu/medicine/policies/md-evaluation/#narrativeassessment)
- Phase 1 Attendance Policy (http://bulletin.wustl.edu/medicine/policies/md-absences/#phase-1-attendance)
- Phase 2 Attendance Policy (http://bulletin.wustl.edu/medicine/policies/md-absences/#phase-2-attendance)
- Review of Competency Attainment (http://bulletin.wustl.edu/medicine/policies/competency-attainment/)
- Student Promotion and Appeals (http://bulletin.wustl.edu/medicine/policies/student-promotion/)

Policies for Legacy Curriculum Students

- CAPES – Assessing Academic Achievement & Professionalism (http://bulletin.wustl.edu/medicine/policies/md-assessment/)
- Cheating (http://bulletin.wustl.edu/medicine/policies/md-evaluation/#cheating)
- Clerkship Grade Appeals (http://bulletin.wustl.edu/medicine/policies/md-evaluation/#clerkshipappeals)
- Clinical Absence Policy (http://bulletin.wustl.edu/medicine/policies/md-absences/#clinical-absence-policy)
- Exam Expectations for Faculty (http://bulletin.wustl.edu/medicine/policies/md-evaluation/#faculty-expectations)
- Grade Point Average, Class Ranking, and Grade Distributions (http://bulletin.wustl.edu/medicine/policies/md-evaluation/#GPA)
- Grading System (http://bulletin.wustl.edu/medicine/policies/md-evaluation/#GradingSystem)
- High-Stakes Exam Expectations for Students (http://bulletin.wustl.edu/medicine/policies/md-evaluation/#exam-expectations)
- Leave of Absence Policy (http://bulletin.wustl.edu/medicine/policies/md-absences/#LOA)
- Pre-Clerkship Grade Appeals (http://bulletin.wustl.edu/medicine/policies/md-evaluation/#preclerkshipappeals)
- Professionalism (http://bulletin.wustl.edu/medicine/policies/md-professionalism/)
- Preamble (http://bulletin.wustl.edu/medicine/policies/md-professionalism/#preamble)
- Guiding Principles of Professionalism (http://bulletin.wustl.edu/medicine/policies/md-professionalism/#guiding-principles)
- Related Policies (http://bulletin.wustl.edu/medicine/policies/md-professionalism/#related-policies)
- Remediation (http://bulletin.wustl.edu/medicine/policies/md-evaluation/#remediation)
- Student Status and Benefits (http://bulletin.wustl.edu/medicine/policies/md-absences/#StudentStatus)
- USMLE (http://bulletin.wustl.edu/medicine/policies/md-evaluation/#USMLE)

Non–Student-Related Policies

- Admissions Policies (http://bulletin.wustl.edu/medicine/policies/admissions/)
  - Advanced Standing Transfers Policy for Medical Students (http://bulletin.wustl.edu/medicine/policies/admissions/#advanced-standing)
  - Policy on the Final Authority of the Committee on Admissions (http://bulletin.wustl.edu/medicine/policies/admissions/#final-authority)
  - Policy on the Selection of Students (http://bulletin.wustl.edu/medicine/policies/admissions/#selection-of-students)
  - Policy on External Factors (http://bulletin.wustl.edu/medicine/policies/admissions/#external-factors)
- Continuous Quality Improvement (http://bulletin.wustl.edu/medicine/policies/md-continuous-quality-improvement/)
- Non-University-Affiliated Speaker Compensation (http://bulletin.wustl.edu/medicine/policies/non-university-affiliated-speaker-compensation/)

Health Professions Policies & Guidelines

For information regarding the policies and guidelines of the following degrees and programs, please visit these sites:

- Applied Health Behavior Research (https://crtc.wustl.edu/programs/degrees/ahbr/)
- Audiology and Communication Sciences (https://pacs.wustl.edu/programs/)
- Biology and Biomedical Sciences (http://dbbs.wustl.edu/curstudents/DBBSStudentPolicies/Pages/DBBSStudentPolicies.aspx)
- Biomedical Engineering (https://bme.wustl.edu/graduate/phd/Pages/default.aspx)
- Biostatistics (https://biostatistics.wustl.edu/)
- Clinical Investigation (https://crtc.wustl.edu/programs/degrees/msci/)
• Doctor of Philosophy (http://graduateschool.wustl.edu/policies-procedures/)
• Occupational Therapy (https://www.ot.wustl.edu/about/resources-118/)
• Physical Therapy (https://pt.wustl.edu/student-resources/)
• Population Health Sciences (http://mphs.wustl.edu/)
• Public Health (http://bulletin.wustl.edu/brownschool/policies/)

Joint Degree Program Policies & Guidelines

For policies and guidelines relating to any joint degree program, please refer to the MD program section of this page and the policies and guidelines for the respective program areas.

• Doctor of Medicine (Five-Year Program) (p. 1)
• Doctor of Medicine and Master of Science in Clinical Investigation (https://crtc.wustl.edu/courses/class-list/academic-policies/)
• Doctor of Medicine and Master of Population Health Sciences (http://mphs.wustl.edu/)
• Doctor of Medicine and Master of Public Health (http://bulletin.wustl.edu/brownschool/policies/)
• Doctor of Medicine and Doctor of Philosophy (http://dbbs.wustl.edu/curstudents/DBBSStudentPolicies/Pages/DBBSStudentPolicies.aspx)