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/)
- 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)
- 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.

- 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)
- Absences and Leaves (http://bulletin.wustl.edu/medicine/policies/md-absences/)
  - Clinical Absence Policy (http://bulletin.wustl.edu/medicine/policies/md-absences/#clinical-absence-policy)
  - Phase 1 Attendance Policy (http://bulletin.wustl.edu/medicine/policies/md-absences/#phase-1-attendance)
  - Access to Healthcare Services Policy (http://bulletin.wustl.edu/medicine/policies/md-absences/#access-to-healthcare-services)
• Leave of Absence Policy (https://bulletin.wustl.edu/medicine/policies/md-absences/#LOA)
• Student Status and Benefits (https://bulletin.wustl.edu/medicine/policies/md-absences/#StudentStatus)
• CAPES – Assessing Academic Achievement & Professionalism (https://bulletin.wustl.edu/medicine/policies/md-assessment/)
• Clinical Supervision Policy (https://bulletin.wustl.edu/medicine/policies/md-clinical-supervision/)
• Continuous Quality Improvement (https://bulletin.wustl.edu/medicine/policies/md-continuous-quality-improvement/)
• Monitoring of Student Time (https://bulletin.wustl.edu/medicine/policies/student-time/)
• Medical Student Mistreatment Reporting and Monitoring Policy (https://bulletin.wustl.edu/medicine/policies/student-mistreatment/)
• Duty Hour Policy (https://bulletin.wustl.edu/medicine/policies/md-duty-hour/)
• Evaluation and Grades (https://bulletin.wustl.edu/medicine/policies/md-evaluation/)
  • Formative Assessment and Feedback (https://bulletin.wustl.edu/medicine/policies/md-evaluation/#formative)
  • Narrative Assessment (https://bulletin.wustl.edu/medicine/policies/md-evaluation/#narrativeassessment)
  • High-Stakes Exam Expectations for Students (https://bulletin.wustl.edu/medicine/policies/md-evaluation/#exam-expectations)
  • Exam Expectations for Faculty (https://bulletin.wustl.edu/medicine/policies/md-evaluation/#faculty-expectations)
  • Special Accommodations (https://bulletin.wustl.edu/medicine/policies/md-evaluation/#special)
  • Cheating (https://bulletin.wustl.edu/medicine/policies/md-evaluation/#cheating)
  • USMLE (https://bulletin.wustl.edu/medicine/policies/md-evaluation/#USMLE)
  • Grading System (https://bulletin.wustl.edu/medicine/policies/md-evaluation/#GradingSystem)
  • Grade Notification Policy (https://bulletin.wustl.edu/medicine/policies/md-evaluation/#GradeNotifications)
  • Grade Point Average, Class Ranking, and Grade Distributions (https://bulletin.wustl.edu/medicine/policies/md-evaluation/#GPA)
  • Pre-Clerkship Grade Appeals (https://bulletin.wustl.edu/medicine/policies/md-evaluation/#preclerkshipappeals)
  • Clerkship Grade Appeals (https://bulletin.wustl.edu/medicine/policies/md-evaluation/#clerkshipappeals)
  • Remediation (https://bulletin.wustl.edu/medicine/policies/md-evaluation/#Remediation)
• Pharmaceutical and Medical Device Industry Policy (https://fpp.wustl.edu/policies/policy-on-conflicts-of-interest-in-clinical-care/)
• Professionalism (https://bulletin.wustl.edu/medicine/policies/md-professionalism/)
  • Preamble (https://bulletin.wustl.edu/medicine/policies/md-professionalism/#preamble)
  • Guiding Principles of Professionalism (https://bulletin.wustl.edu/medicine/policies/md-professionalism/#guiding-principles)
  • Transportation Policy (https://bulletin.wustl.edu/medicine/policies/md-professionalism/#transportation)
  • Related Policies (https://bulletin.wustl.edu/medicine/policies/md-professionalism/#related-policies)
• Technical Standards for the School of Medicine (https://bulletin.wustl.edu/medicine/policies/technical-standards/)
• Non-University-Affiliated Speaker Compensation (https://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/crustudents/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-11B/)
• Physical Therapy (https://pt.wustl.edu/student-resources/)
• Population Health Sciences (http://mphs.wustl.edu/)
• Public Health (https://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)