In order to provide sufficient time for reading and study, clinical clerkships and course directors should provide student assigned schedules for on-site clinical and educational activities that meet the following duty hour guidelines:

1. Duty hours are defined as all clinical and academic activities related to the program; i.e., patient care (both inpatient and outpatient), administrative duties relative to patient care, the provision for transfer of patient care, time spent in-house during call activities, and scheduled activities, such as conferences.
2. Duty hours do not include reading and preparation time spent away from the duty site.
3. Duty hours must be limited to 80 hours per week, averaged over a four-week period, inclusive of all in-house call activities.