

MEMO TO: The College of Medicine, Class of 2012 - Syracuse Campus

FROM: Jennifer Martin Tse, Registrar

RE: Graduation Requirements – Class of 2012

As you were informed by Dr. Cleary on March 25, 2011, Dean Scheinman has waived the MLC III requirement for the 2011/2012 academic year. Students graduating in 2012 will be exempt from that requirement. No other changes will be made to the graduation requirements for the Class of 2012.

As a reminder, the graduation requirements are:

- **Electives:** Syracuse students must have completed minimally **25** elective credits prior to graduation.
 - A maximum of 16 elective credits may be taken in any one department, such as Pediatrics. In other words, at least 9 credits must be from a different department.
 - A maximum of 12 elective credits may be taken in extramural (away) experiences, or at least 13 elective credits must be intramurals.
 - A maximum of six of the required (25) elective credits may be taken in the pre-clinical years and count toward fulfilling graduation requirements. If you have taken more than six credits in the pre-clinical years, you will still need to complete at least 19 elective credits in the clinical years.

- **Basic Science Selective: Four of the 25 (Syracuse)** elective credits must be taken in a Basic Science Selective. In order for a Basic Science Selective to fulfill the requirement, it must be taken after 6 months of clinical (clerkship) experience.
 - Students may also design unique elective to fulfill the basic science selective. **Unique Basic Science electives at both campuses must be approved by the Curriculum Office.**
 - **MD/PhD candidates** and students in the **Academic Research** program are exempt from this requirement.

USMLE Step 2: Students are required to take and post scores on both components of Step 2 Clinical Knowledge (CK) and Clinical Skills (CS)

- Take Upstate's Comprehensive Clinical Skills Examination.