

University of Illinois College of Medicine at Peoria
USMLE Step 2

Things you should know and consider -----

To be eligible to graduate from the College of Medicine students must

1. meet all requirements outlined in the Student Handbook (M1 Students through M3 Students)
2. complete satisfactorily all M4 curriculum/clerkship requirements, **and**
3. **take and pass the both parts of the USMLE Step 2 examination -- CK and CS.**

M4 students should allow at least two weeks in their M4 schedule to prepare for the USMLE Step 2 CK exam and time to review for the CS exam.

It is strongly recommended that M4 students take the USMLE Step 2 exam in October or November of the M4 year so that ----

scores are available to residency programs during the interviewing process

and,

in the event of failure, to allow time for remediation and retake

Delaying Step 2 until February or March may impact ----

1. consideration for Graduation with Honors
2. inclusion in Convocation Program (passing score must be received before April 1)
3. participation in Convocation ceremonies (passing score must be received before date of Convocation)
4. date of graduation (July versus May)
- 5.

The rules and policies of the USMLE state ----

“If you fail or do not complete a Step and want to retake it, you must reapply by submitting a new application and fee. You may take the failed or incomplete Step no more than three times within a 12-month period.”

“For Step 1 and Step 2, you may retake the Step no earlier than the first day of the month 60 days after your previous test date.”