

Clerkship NBME Grading Tables 2024-2025

Background

The methods for assigning final grades in clerkships for MS3 students in 2024-2025 academic year will utilize a multitiered grading system that requires students to meet minimum passing scores on major grading components (Clinical Assessment, NBME Subject Exam and Clerkship Clinical Examination). The data in this appendix show the cutoff numbers for passing each clerkship NBME.

Methods

Percentile data are obtained from annual reports from the NBME for each of the six clerkship subject exams. For each new academic year, the last three years of complete annual data are collected, thus for academic year 2024-2025, the data utilized are from 2020-2021, 2021-2022 and 2022-23. Percentile data from each quarter for these three years were collected and averaged to obtain the mean percentile score for each quarter within each clerkship. The scores corresponding to the 10th percentiles were identified and tabulated (see tables 1-6). In order to assign percentile scores for all students, complete percentile ranging tables were generated and are shown in tables 7-12. As shown in the tables, data from quarter 1 will be used to assign percentiles in clerkship periods 1-3, while data from quarter 3 will be used for clerkship periods 4-6.

Off cycle students

The Offices of Academic and Student Affairs will ensure that percentile rankings for students who are off cycle will be assigned according to the specific clerkship period they are completing, rather than the actual period within the annual academic calendar. It should be noted that this system could result in students obtaining the same numerical score on a clerkship NBME during the same period being eligible for different final grades.

Remediation

Any student who fails a clerkship NBME is expected to retake that NBME as remediation. Successful remediation requires achieving a score that ranks at the minimal percentile for passing (i.e., the 10th percentile) or above. The scale used for determining this value will be the scale used in periods 3-6, irrespective of when the remediation exam is taken.

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Table 1-6: Minimum passing score (equated percent correct) for each clerkship. The clerkship number refers to the clerkship for the individual student. Note that the Family Medicine NBME has two reported scores, one for the Core (C) exam and one for the Core + Chronic Care + Musculoskeletal exam (CCM). The higher of these two scores is used to determine the student grade.

Clerkship	Clerkships 1-3	Clerkships 4-6
Family Medicine	62 (C), 65 (CCM)	67 (C), 68 (CCM)
Internal Medicine	61	63
Obstetrics & Gynecology	67	69
Pediatrics	66	68
Psychiatry	76	76
Surgery	61	64

Comparison to 2023-2024: The minimum passing scores are unchanged in both clerkship periods for Ob/Gyn, and Surgery. In Family Medicine, the minimum passing score decreased by 2 in Clerkships 1-3 for the Core exam and is unchanged in both clerkship periods for the Core + Chronic Care + Musculoskeletal Exam. In Medicine, the minimum passing score in clerkships 4-6 decreased by 2. In Pediatrics, the minimum passing score in clerkships 4-6 decreased by 1. In Psychiatry, the minimum passing score increased by one point in clerkships 1-3

Table 7A: Family Medicine Core

Table 7: Family Medicine Core		
2024-2025		
Equated percent Correct Score	CI 1-3	CI 4-6
100	100	100
99	100	100
98	100	100
97	100	100
96	100	100
95	100	100
94	100	100
93	100	100
92	100	100
91	100	100
90	100	99
89	99	98
88	99	97
87	98	95
86	97	93
85	96	90
84	94	87
83	92	83
82	89	79
81	87	75
80	83	69
79	80	65
78	75	59
77	70	52
76	66	48
75	61	43
74	55	38
73	51	33
72	46	28
71	40	24
70	36	21
69	31	18
68	26	14
67	22	11
66	20	9
65	18	8
64	14	6
63	12	4
62	10	3
61	9	3
60	7	2
59	6	2
58	5	2
57	3	1
56	3	1
55	2	1
54 or below	2	0

Table 7B: Family Medicine Core, Chronic Care + MSK

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Equated percent Correct Score	2024-2025	
	Cl 1-3	Cl 4-6
100	100	100
99	100	100
98	100	100
97	100	100
96	100	100
95	100	100
94	100	100
93	100	100
92	100	100
91	100	100
90	99	99
89	99	98
88	99	97
87	98	95
86	96	92
85	95	89
84	92	86
83	89	82
82	87	78
81	83	72
80	79	67
79	74	60
78	67	53
77	64	48
76	57	42
75	52	36
74	46	31
73	41	26
72	36	22
71	32	18
70	27	15
69	24	12
68	20	10
67	18	8
66	14	6
65	12	5
64	9	4
63	8	3
62	7	2
61	5	2
60	4	1
59	3	1
58	3	1
57	2	1
56	2	0
55	1	0
54 or below	1	0

Table 8: Internal Medicine

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2024-2025		
Equated Percent Correct Score	CI 1-3	CI 4-6
100	100	100
99	100	100
98	100	100
97	100	100
96	100	100
95	100	100
94	100	100
93	100	99
92	99	99
91	99	98
90	99	97
89	98	96
88	97	95
87	96	93
86	94	91
85	92	88
84	90	85
83	88	82
82	85	78
81	82	74
80	78	70
79	74	65
78	70	60
77	66	56
76	62	51
75	58	47
74	54	43
73	49	39
72	44	34
71	41	31
70	36	27
69	33	24
68	30	21
67	26	18
66	22	15
65	19	13
64	17	10
63	16	10
62	13	8
61	11	6
60	9	5
59	7	4
58	7	3
57	5	2
56	4	2
55	3	2
54 or below	3	1

Table 9: Obstetrics & Gynecology

Table 9: Ob/Gyn		
2024-25		
Equated Percent Correct Score	Cl 1-3	Cl 4-6
100	100	100
99	100	100
98	100	100
97	100	100
96	100	100
95	100	100
94	100	99
93	99	99
92	99	98
91	98	97
90	98	96
89	96	94
88	94	91
87	92	88
86	89	84
85	85	80
84	81	75
83	77	70
82	72	65
81	67	60
80	63	55
79	57	48
78	53	44
77	47	38
76	43	33
75	37	29
74	33	25
73	28	21
72	25	18
71	21	15
70	18	12
69	16	11
68	13	8
67	11	7
66	9	5
65	8	4
64	6	4
63	5	3
62	4	2
61	3	2
60	3	1
59	2	1
58	2	1
57	1	1
56	1	1
55	1	0
54 or below	1	0

Table 10: Pediatrics

Table 10: Ped		
2024-2025		
Equated Percent Correct Score	Cl 1-3	Cl 4-6
100	100	100
99	100	100
98	100	100
97	100	100
96	100	100
95	100	100
94	100	99
93	99	99
92	98	98
91	98	96
90	96	94
89	94	92
88	92	89
87	90	86
86	86	81
85	83	77
84	80	73
83	75	69
82	72	64
81	67	59
80	62	53
79	58	48
78	53	43
77	48	38
76	44	34
75	39	30
74	35	26
73	31	23
72	28	20
71	24	17
70	21	14
69	18	12
68	15	10
67	13	9
66	11	7
65	9	6
64	8	5
63	6	4
62	5	3
61	4	2
60	4	2
59	3	1
58	2	1
57	2	1
56	1	1
55	1	0
54 or below	1	0

Table 11: Psychiatry

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2024-25		
Equated Percent Correct Score	Cl 1-3	Cl 4-6
100	100	100
99	100	100
98	100	100
97	100	100
96	100	99
95	99	99
94	98	98
93	96	95
92	94	92
91	91	89
90	87	84
89	83	78
88	77	72
87	69	65
86	61	57
85	55	50
84	48	44
83	43	38
82	37	33
81	30	26
80	26	22
79	20	18
78	18	15
77	14	12
76	11	10
75	9	8
74	8	6
73	6	5
72	5	4
71	4	3
70	3	2
69	2	2
68	2	1
67	1	1
66	1	1
65	1	1
64	1	0
63	0	0
62	0	0
61	0	0
60	0	0
59	0	0
58	0	0
57	0	0
56	0	0
55	0	0
54 or below	0	0

Table 12: Surgery

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2024-25		
Equated Percent Correct Score	CI 1-3	CI 4-6
100	100	100
99	100	100
98	100	100
97	100	100
96	100	100
95	100	100
94	100	100
93	100	100
92	100	100
91	100	99
90	99	98
89	99	97
88	98	96
87	97	95
86	95	93
85	94	91
84	91	88
83	89	84
82	86	80
81	83	76
80	79	72
79	75	67
78	71	62
77	68	58
76	62	53
75	59	48
74	55	45
73	51	41
72	46	36
71	42	32
70	37	28
69	34	24
68	30	21
67	26	18
66	23	16
65	19	13
64	17	11
63	14	9
62	12	7
61	10	6
60	8	5
59	7	4
58	6	3
57	5	2
56	4	2
55	3	2
54 or below	2	1