

Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center
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Appendix F Grading Policy for Clerkship Clinical Examination

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Background: An OSCE is one component of the Clerkship Clinical Examination (CCE) and it contributes to the final grade in each clerkship in the third year of the medical school curriculum. Similarly, an OSCE contributes to the final grade in the ICM course in first and second year. It has become apparent that a clear and fair process for remediation is needed in order to ensure that each learner who underperforms on the OSCE component of the CCE has the opportunity to demonstrate that they have met the learning objectives for this assessment.

The Clerkship Clinical Examination consists of CCE Part A (SP-based encounter, OSCE) and Part B (Clerkship-specific examination).

Procedure:

1. Student receives notification from Office of Curriculum that they were unsuccessful on a CCE. Student is provided with documentation relevant to their performance, such as the Examsoft report, including any comments from graders.
2. Student is granted access to their CCE video and review the encounter alone or with a colleague.
3. Student rewrites a patient note after viewing the encounter and submits to the appropriate clerkship director. These three steps should occur prior to the MRFA for the following clerkship period (or within 4 weeks if the underperformance occurred in period 6).
4. Student meets with CD of clerkship of the CCE being remediated to review self-assessment and to receive coaching on ways to improve performance.
5. CD certifies that student is prepared to retake the CCE to complete remediation.
6. Student retakes the CCE during the next scheduled clerkship and is scored according to current procedures.
7. If student passes the CCE at second attempt, remediation is complete and new CCE score of 70 is used to compute the final numerical score for clerkship. A final grade of Pass is assigned for the clerkship.
8. If this is the only component fail in the academic year, this event is not included in the MSPE. Otherwise, this event is described in the MSPE.