

Preclinical Course Remediation Policy

- A. **Remediation Definition:** A process to provide students with academic difficulties a reasonable opportunity to address deficiencies in knowledge or performance associated with a course to achieve a minimal level of competency in a discipline or subject area.
 - a. Remediation involves three components: identification of deficiencies in performance through an assessment process, opportunity to raise that performance to the intended standard, and reassessment to ensure at least the minimum standard is met in a discipline or subject area.
 - b. *All courses in the preclinical curriculum (semesters one – six) are included in the preclinical course remediation policy.*
- B. **Student Responsibility:** Students must assume responsibility for a program of independent study to improve their knowledge of the subject to an acceptable level during remediation of a course.
- C. **Faculty Responsibility:** Faculty are not required to work directly with students during the remediation period but are encouraged to be available to answer questions. The course moderator and respective course team are required to provide an equal number of remediation examinations or other assessments to the Office of Student Engagement and Success to evaluate student mastery of course objectives.

NOTE: Remediation examination(s) or other assessment(s): 1) may not include more than 20% of the same questions as course examination(s) given the same year but 2) must be similarly comprehensive, rigorous, and structured as the original examination(s) or assessment(s).
- D. **Course Remediation Process:**
 - a. A student who fails to achieve a passing grade in a course but meets the criteria for remediation as defined by the CVM academic policy will be allowed to remediate the course.
 - b. The comprehensive remediation examination or assessment will be administered by the Office of Student Engagement and Success.
 - i. For semester 1, 2, 3, and 4 courses, the remediation examination(s) or other assessment(s) for all courses being remediated will be scheduled to be completed within five weeks following the official end date of the spring semester.
 - ii. For semester 5 and 6 courses, the remediation examination for one course will be scheduled for three weeks following the end date of the preclinical spring semester and may delay that start of clerkships by 3 weeks. Remediation for a second course would occur 4 to 6 weeks following the end

date of the preclinical spring semester and may delay the start of clerkships by 6 weeks.

- c. Grades from the remediated comprehensive course examination(s) or assessment(s) will be submitted to the Associate Dean for Student Engagement and Success within five business days of administration of the exam(s) or assessment(s).
- d. A student who has a scholastic deficiency in a course in the fall semester may proceed into the spring semester and remediate the course the following summer. A student cannot proceed into the next academic year until all courses of the previous academic year have been successfully completed.
- e. A course may only be remediated once.
- f. Students must score at least 76% in a remediated course to be considered proficient in the material and be permitted to continue in their current class. Successful remediation ($\geq 76\%$) will result in changing the original grade received to a grade of 2.0, regardless of a student potentially earning 76% or higher. A transcript note will indicate that the grade is due to remediation.
- g. Classes that have a significant interactive or practical component that cannot be adequately remediated by independent study will not be available for remediation. Course moderators who believe their course cannot be adequately remediated must provide justification to the College Curriculum Committee and the Associate Dean of Professional Education for approval. Students who do not achieve a passing grade as defined by CVM academic policy in one of these courses will need to recess and repeat the course in the following year.