

Academic Advice

During clerkships: Clerkship directors are available to students for all academic difficulty issues. The CDs are responsible for mentoring students with academic difficulties identified during the midcore evaluation where they provide students with a formative assessment and review the student's Patient Encounter Log (PEL) and Firecracker quiz scores. If academic difficulties are identified, the student is referred to their primary academic advisor

Full-time faculty academic advisors: Full-time academic advisors track and support assigned students who have been identified as 'at-risk' due to not meeting SGUSOM academic standards, as well as students in need of professional behavior remediation. Advisors may refer students to other support services (PSC, Health Services, and DOS) as appropriate.

Part-time faculty academic advisors (academic advisors): Select clinicians who are faculty members (who have no role in assessing students) serve as academic advisors for students. These faculty members are available to assist students with academic and program-related questions, as well as with advice about academic options and consequences. All students are assigned an academic advisor in years one and two. When students transition to the clinical program in years three and four, they are assigned a new academic advisor. These clinical academic advisors are physicians mostly onsite at the affiliated hospitals where the student is rotating and provide guidance via 1:1 appointment, or advise students virtually, from a separate site. Advisors may refer students to other support services as appropriate.

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