

Class of 2029
M.D. Graduation Requirements

Please review special notes for medical students in official BCM dual degree programs.

Foundational Sciences Years - 53 Weeks	
Fall I - 19 Weeks	
Course	Semester Credit Hours
Transitions to Medicine (TTM)	2.25
Foundations of Medicine (FOM)	4.25
Cardiac, Respiratory, Renal (CRR)	7.75
Hematology (HEME)	2.75
Practice of Medicine (POM) I: Essential Concepts	4.00
Total Credits	21.00

Spring I - 22 Weeks	
Course	Semester Credit Hours
Immune, Musculoskeletal and Integumentary Systems (IMIS)	4.75
Endocrine, Gastrointestinal and Genitourinary Systems (EGGS)	5.75
Behavioral and Neurologic Sciences (BNS)	5.50
Integrated Systems (IS)	4.50
Practice of Medicine (POM) II : Expanding Fundamentals	4.50
Total Credits	25.00

Fall II - 12 Weeks	
Course	Semester Credit Hours
Assessment Consolidation and Examination Skills (ACES)	0.50
Foundations of Academic Scholarship and Translational Research (FASTR)	1.50
Transitions to Clerkships (TTC)	4.50
Practice of Medicine (POM) III: Synthesis	2.00
Total Credits	8.50

Basic Core Clinical - 42 Weeks	
Course	Semester Credit Hours
Emergency Medicine	4.00
Family/Comm. Med.	4.00
Medicine	8.00
Neurology	4.00
OB/GYN	6.00
Pediatrics	6.00
Psychiatry	4.00
Surgery	6.00
Total Credits	42.00

Advanced Core Rotations - 16 Weeks	
Course	Semester Credit Hours
Sub-Internship*	4.00
Critical Care Rotation	4.00
Transition to Residency (TTR)	4.00
Ambulatory Care Rotation	4.00
Total Credits	16.00

Elective Courses – 22 Weeks	
Course	Semester Credit Hours
Pre-Clinical and/or Clinical Electives***	22.00

2 Week Required Course	
Course	Semester Credit Hours
Service Learning, Wellness, and Narrative Medicine	0.50

Please refer to the Core Rotation Scheduling Guidelines in the Student Handbook for timelines to complete clinical core rotations.

Graduation Requirements***	Semester Credit Hours
Total Minimum Curriculum Credits - 135 Weeks	135.00

Students must take and pass the Clinical Practice Exam (CPX). Students must complete a Student Scholarship & Inquiry Project (M.D./Ph.D. students are exempt from the Inquiry Project). Students must take and pass the USMLE Step 1 & Step 2CK-prior to graduation. Students must obtain Basic Life Support (BLS) Certification prior to graduation. Students must obtain Advanced Cardiac Life Support (ACLS) Certification or Pediatric Advanced Life Support (PALS) Certification prior to graduation. M.D./Ph.D. Program: Students joining the program after year 1 will begin the curriculum requirements at year of entry.

Students must not have any professional deficiencies in order to graduate with an M.D. degree.

* A Sub-Internship must be taken at Baylor in Family Medicine, Medicine, Neurology, Obstetrics and Gynecology, Pediatrics, Psychiatry, or Surgery. The Sub-Internship **must be completed** prior to Transition to Residency (TTR).

***16 of the 22 required elective credits must be clinical. For all students, no more than 6 credits of non-clinical taken at BCM can be counted toward degree requirements. For all students, a minimum of 8 clinical credits must be taken at BCM. Students enrolled in the following official BCM Dual Degree programs (MD/PhD, MD/JD, MD/MPH, MD/MBA, and MD/MS-SBIM) will require 18 total elective credits (minimum of 12 clinical credits).