



Clinical Integration II

MEDC 124.4

TERM 2

- **COURSE SYLLABUS**
2020/2021



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LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

As we engage in Remote Teaching and Learning, we acknowledge we are on Treaty Six Territory and the Homeland of the Métis. We pay our respect to the First Nation and Métis ancestors of this place and reaffirm our relationship with one another. We recognize that in the course of your studies you will spend time learning in other traditional territories and Métis homelands. We wish you safe, productive and respectful encounters in these places

Clinical Integration II: Introduction – Course Overview

REMOTE LEARNING CONTEXT

The Covid-19 pandemic has caused significant changes to delivery of medical curriculum. We are planning to include in-person educational experiences, where possible, during the 2020-21 Winter Term. However, due to pandemic circumstances the College of Medicine undergraduate education program may need to:

- *Modify curriculum content delivery outside of usual procedures and at short notice.*
- *Modify Course assessments which may need to be changed to a different format, or to have different weighting from that outlined in the syllabus.*

As information becomes available, we will provide updates to students on any changes relating to content originally outlined in the syllabus.

COURSE DESCRIPTION

This is the second of four courses in the Clinical Integration series. The Clinical Integration II course is designed to provide students with basic knowledge, skills and early experiences that support gathering and integration of knowledge, critical thinking, and clinical reasoning skills. These will be further developed in Clinical Integration III and IV courses in Year 2.

Students will engage in Ethics, Collaborative Care Learning, Information Literacy, and Clinical Reasoning Cases aimed at developing critical thinking skills and integrating the information learned in the other courses both during this term and from previous terms (Year 1 - Term 1).

Completion of this course will contribute to attaining elements of the overall undergraduate program objectives ([Program Learning Objectives](#))

OVERALL COURSE OBJECTIVES/COMPETENCIES

By the completion of Clinical Integration II course, students will be expected to:

1. Utilize Clinical Reasoning in:
 - Analyzing the patient interview
 - Determine appropriate questions to understand the disease process, illness experience and relevant patient context
 - Interpret the answers
 - Analyzing components of the physical examination
 - Determine appropriate maneuvers
 - Interpret the findings
 - Synthesizing information to develop a rational differential diagnosis and a working diagnosis

- Analyzing management
 - Determine appropriate investigations
 - Interpret the information
 - Synthesize the information to further define the patient's problem
 - Analyzing diagnostic errors
 - Identify common errors in information gathering and synthesis
 - Develop strategies to decrease errors in diagnosis
2. Utilize the Patient-Centered Clinical Method (PCCM) to integrate illness experience and patient context into active shared decision-making around management.
 3. Demonstrate ethico-legal reasoning.
 4. Demonstrate effective information literacy skills to find relevant information.
 5. Critically appraise pertinent information.
 6. Demonstrate self-directed learning.
 7. Exhibit professionalism.
 8. Collaborate effectively.

The University of Saskatchewan Learning Charter is intended to define aspirations about the learning experience that the University aims to provide, and the roles to be played in realizing these aspirations by students, instructors, and the institution. A copy of the Learning Charter can be found at: www.usask.ca/university_secretary/LearningCharter.pdf

COURSE CONTACTS

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COURSE SCHEDULE

Please check one45 **DAILY** on your computer to ensure that you have the most current schedule information. The latest a change can be made to a session (unless it is a true emergency) is 48 hours in advance of the scheduled sessions. If changes are made to a session which has already been scheduled in one45, affected students will be notified directly via email by the course administrators.

All learning objectives (course, module, and session) can be accessed on the College of Medicine/Curriculum website under the appropriate year and course. A print version is also available. Please access the link below for the most current objectives.

<https://share.usask.ca/medicine/one45/kbase/Curriculum.aspx>

OVERALL COURSE OBJECTIVE/COMPETENCY COMPONENTS

During this term students will utilize a model of competency-based assessment, Competency-Based

Medical Education (CBME).

In order for a student to progress from earlier stages of learning to the level of competence necessary to function in a clinical setting, they will need to demonstrate they are competent at least as many times as described in the table below across all assessment points aligned with that particular competency. As students will have multiple opportunities throughout the term for assessment of each competency, it is expected that feedback will be provided earlier in the term and will be better able to target individual education needs.

***Note:** All assessments including the final exam are mandatory to complete with the exception of an excused absence for an assignment as noted below.

- Late assignments - if submitted within 72 hours, the student may receive appropriate credit for the competency(ies) represented in the assignment. The student may receive a negative assessment for the professionalism competency. There will be no action taken for one negative assessment. Two such negative assessments will require meeting with the course director/course chair, remediation, and a supplemental assessment. If submitted after the 72 hour deadline, zero credit will be given for the competency(ies) represented in the assignment and will be subject to the professionalism consequences as outlined above.
- Missed assignments/cases - for an excused absence and subsequent missed assignment/case an opportunity will be offered the student to complete the assignment. *If the student chooses, they may forfeit those assessment points provided there are sufficient remaining opportunities to meet the competency. For an unexcused absence please see below.
- Student meeting with module/course director - A student may request a meeting with the module or course director along with the Academic Support Team at any time they perceive themselves to be wanting help with meeting a competency. The module or course director will request a meeting with a student when:
 - Two (2) negative professionalism assessment points have accrued
 - There is an unexcused missed assignment
 - A tutor has identified an issue
 - There is a failure of a competency three times in a row, or 30% of the assessment points of the specific competency to date have not been met.

Date	Time	Session	Learning Activity
January 13, 2021	1:30-2:00	Course Orientation	Orientation
	2:00-4:20	Information Literacy #1	Pre-recorded lecture
January 25, 2021	1:30 – 2:50	Information Literacy #2	Pre-recorded lecture
	3:00– 4:20	Clinical Reasoning Case #1	
February 10, 2021	1:30 – 2:20	Ethics Lecture	See one45
	2:30 – 4:20	Ethics Case	Small Group – see one45
February 24, 2021	2:30 – 4:20	Collaborative Care #1	See one45
March 3, 2021	2:30 – 4:20	Collaborative Care #2	See one45
March 5, 2021	1:30 – 2:20	Information Literacy #3	Pre-recorded lecture
	2:30 – 4:20	Clinical Reasoning Case #2	
March 15, 2021	2:30 – 4:20	Clinical Reasoning Case #3	Small Group – see one45
March 22, 2021	1:30 – 4:20	Clinical Reasoning Case #4	Small Group – see one45
March 29, 2021	1:30 - 4:20	Clinical Reasoning Case #5	Small Group – see one45
April 7, 2021	1:30 - 4:20	Clinical Reasoning Case #6	Small Group – see one45
April 28, 2021	1:30 – 4:20	Clinical Reasoning Case #7	Small Group – see one45
May 7, 2021	9:00-12:00	Final Examination	Final Examination

COURSE DELIVERY

Sessions vary in length and are scheduled throughout the term. For most sessions, students will work interactively in small group settings. For Clinical Reasoning cases and Collaborative Care sessions, learning is student-directed and students assign themselves roles to help facilitate the discussion. A facilitator is present to guide students through the case (for example, answering clarification questions, redirecting students if off track, etc.) and to ensure completion of case objectives.

UNDERGRADUATE DIAGNOSTIC IMAGING FUNDAMENTALS E-BOOK

The Undergraduate Diagnostic Imaging Fundamentals, by Dr. Brent Burbridge (MD, FRCPC) is an e-book resource to augment the presentation for imaging of common clinical conditions. Guiding principles related to minimizing radiation exposure, requesting appropriate imaging, and static images are enhanced and discussed. Additionally, users can access other imaging from the Dicom viewer (ODIN) to further advance their experience with viewing diagnostic imaging pathologies.

<https://openpress.usask.ca/undergradimaging/>

COURSE MATERIAL ACCESS

Course materials, including syllabus, sessions, objectives, required reading, forms, and other relevant documents are posted as handouts in One45. Cases will be released on Canvas at the initiation of the Clinical Reasoning Case (CRC) sessions.

Suggested preparation for each session includes review of patient-centred interview techniques, physical examination, and clinical skills relevant to the case topics. It may be helpful to review the following websites:

<http://www.choosingwiselycanada.org>

www.machealth.ca

www.cochranelibrary.com

www.clinicalevidence.bmj.com

www.medicine.ox.ac.uk/bandolier

www.nice.org.uk

PubMed (www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov).

Many restricted sites are accessible through the University of Saskatchewan library system.

Textbooks are available online from the University of Saskatchewan Bookstore:

<https://bookstore.usask.ca/students.php#MyTextbooks>

COURSE ASSESSMENT OVERVIEW

The Clinical Integration II course is an entirely pass/fail course based on student performance relative to achievement of course competencies/objectives.

Formative Assessment - Working through the cases gives the student the opportunity to apply knowledge from multiple courses including Clinical Skills, Medicine & Society, Principles of Biomedical Sciences, and Foundations of Clinical Medicine. This process provides formative feedback about the student's medical knowledge and reasoning and helps to prepare the student for assessments in other courses.

Summative Assessment – In addition to the assignments/cases as outlined below, there will be a number of questions within the Clinical Reasoning Cases that will utilize standard-based assessment.

OVERALL COURSE OBJECTIVE/COMPETENCY COMPONENTS

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*Demonstrate maintenance and competence throughout the term and the final exam.

**All assignments, including the final exam, are mandatory to complete with the exception of the exclusionary clause under excused absences.

NOTE: DUE TO BBLEARN AND/OR CANVAS FORMATTING CLINICAL REASONING CASES MAY BE LABELED "TESTS" RATHER THAN ASSIGNMENTS, HOWEVER, FOR THE PURPOSES OF THE UNDERGRADUATE MEDICAL EDUCATION ASSIGNMENT SUBMISSION POLICY THEY WILL BE CONSIDERED ASSIGNMENTS.

Objectives/Competencies	Where competency may be assessed	Number of successful competency assessments to display competence
Milestones		
1. Utilize Clinical Reasoning (CR) in:		
Analyzing the patient interview: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> To determine appropriate questions required to understand the disease process, illness experience, and relevant patient context. To interpret the answers 	Cases Final Exam	5
Analyzing components of the physical examination: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> To determine appropriate maneuvers. To interpret the findings. 	Cases Final Exam	5
Synthesizing information to develop a rational differential diagnosis and a working diagnosis	Cases Final Exam	5
Analyzing management: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> To determine appropriate investigations. To interpret the information To synthesize the information to further define the patient's problem. 	Cases Final Exam	5
Analyzing diagnostic errors: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> To identify common errors in information gathering and synthesis. To develop strategies to decrease errors in diagnosis 	Cases Final Exam	3
2. Utilize the Patient-Centered Clinical Method (PCCM) to integrate illness experience and patient context into active shared decision-making around management.	Cases Final Exam	5
3. Demonstrate ethico-legal reasoning.	Cases Final Exam Ethics Assignment	8
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> See Ethics Module for Milestones. 		
4. Demonstrate effective information literacy skills to find relevant information.	Information Literacy Assignment	1
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> See Information Literacy Module for Milestones. 		
5. Critically appraise pertinent information.	Cases Final Exam	2
6. Demonstrate self-directed learning.	Self-Directed Learning Assignment	3
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> See Self-Directed Learning Module for Milestones. 		
7. Exhibit professionalism.		
* Failure to exhibit professional behaviour will be adjudicated on an individual basis.	Individually Assessed	n/a
8. Collaborate effectively.	Collaborative Care Assignment	1
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> See Collaborative Care Module for Milestones. 		

ASSESSMENT COMPONENTS

Form of Assessment	Formative/Summative	Standard to be Met
1. Competency Assessment Points	Summative	Attainment of assessment points as outlined in the above chart.
2. Final Exam	Summative	Failure to attain 70% of the competencies represented on the final exam will result in failure of the exam.

DESCRIPTION OF ASSESSMENTS:

Full details will be provided during the course orientation.

Assessment 1: Ethics Written Assignment

Due Date: 23:59 SK time one week following their final session unless advised otherwise

Description: The required written assignment will be a discussion of one of several cases in a short essay format. More information in regard to details of this assignment will be provided at course orientation. Detailed description and rubric will be posted on Canvas.

Assessment 2: Clinical Reasoning Cases

Due Date: Cases are due at 11:59 PM the day before the session

Description: Competencies will be assessed throughout the Clinical Reasoning Cases. Cases will contain both individually assessed questions as well as group questions. The individually assessed questions will specifically target one of the course competencies. These questions will all be answered in-class and will be graded by facilitators at the completion of the case. Additionally, some of the cases content will drawn from Foundations, Clinical Skills, and Medicine and Society. Some cases may contain aspects of self-directed learning.

Assessment 3: Collaborative Care Assignment

Due Date: 23:59 SK time one week following their final session unless advised otherwise

Description: The required written assignment will be posted on Canvas and due 1 week after the last Collaborative Care session unless advised otherwise

Assessment 4: Information Literacy Assignment

Due Date: 23:59 SK time one week following their final session unless advised otherwise

Description: A take-home assignment bringing together the material covered in the three sessions will be posted on Canvas.

Assessment 5: Self-Directed Learning Assignment

Due Date: 23:59 SK time one week following the associated clinical reasoning case unless advised otherwise

Description: This assignment will allow students the opportunity to reflect on their learning and identify an area they would like to gain additional learning around. By working through the process of this assignment students will have the opportunity to reflect on their learning, create a goal to enhance their learning, learn, receive feedback from their peers and colleagues on their growth, and make a plan for monitoring the effectiveness of their new learning.

Final Exam (Required)

Date: May 7, 2021

Length: 3 hours

Type: Summative, cumulative, examination.

EXAM PROCTORING

Due to pandemic related circumstances, examinations during this course may be delivered remotely. In that event, proctoring software or other remote invigilation methods will be employed concurrently during the examination to ensure academic integrity of the assessment.

RUBRICS

Where applicable, rubrics for all assignments will be posted on one45 for the relevant session. For those assignments submitted via Canvas/Blackboard they are also posted in Canvas/Blackboard. In the event of a discrepancy between the two versions, that posted on Canvas/Blackboard shall be taken to be correct.

COURSE POLICY FOR SUCCESSFUL COMPLETION

For successful course completion for the purpose of promotion, students will achieve both

- A. The minimum number of competency assessment points in all course competencies/objectives.
- B. Pass the final exam with a minimum of 70% of the assessment points on the final exam.

REMEDATION AND COURSE FAILURE

- If a student fails to meet one or two course competencies OR fails to attain 70% of the competencies on the final exam they may be offered remediation and supplemental assessment to a maximum of one supplemental attempt.
- Failure of three or more competencies, OR failure of one or two competencies AND the final exam, OR failure of the supplemental assessment, will result in a course failure and remediation will not be offered.

Note: failure of the “exhibits professionalism” objectives/competency may result in an outright course failure. Students who are eligible for remediation will be required to meet with the Course Director and/or Course Chair along with the Academic Support Team to identify areas of weakness and develop a structured remediation and learning plan and complete a supplemental assessment. A maximum of one (1) supplemental examination will be allowed, up to the point of course failure. Students who have been unsuccessful in any supplemental examination will be deemed unsuccessful in the Clinical Integration II course. After the final examination period, the implications of failing to successfully complete course components will be adjudicated at the Year 1 Promotions Committee and a final decision to grant remediation/supplemental work will be determined by the Student Academic Management Committee.

Supplemental assessments will be scheduled after the final exam period and will be scheduled by the UGME office. Supplemental assessments will ONLY be offered on scheduled dates unless there are exceptional circumstances (such as personal illness, bereavement, etc.). In cases of exceptional circumstances, students should follow the [Deferred Exam Procedure](#) to request adjustment of their schedule. Exceptions will not be made for personal travel, and students will be required to adjust personal travel arrangements

EXAM REVIEW

Time has been built into the curriculum for post examination reviews. During these sessions Directors or Chairs will clarify key concepts where misunderstanding was apparent. Students will not be provided opportunity to view their examination questions/papers as part of a group or individual review process. In the event of specific module or exam failure, a student may contact the appropriate Module Director, Course Director or Course Chair to arrange an opportunity to identify concepts or content areas where difficulty was experienced during the examinations.

ATTENDANCE EXPECTATIONS

See Student Information Guide for MD Program Attendance and Absence Policy.

As per the Attendance Policy, all small group sessions are mandatory for attendance. This will include all Clinical Reasoning Cases, Ethics Small Groups, Information Literacy Small Group sessions and the Collaborative Care sessions.

Students who miss a session without appropriate approval or following appropriate notification steps in the event of illness (see Attendance Policy) will be assigned a mark of zero for that session and this may result in a meeting to discuss professionalism. In this situation, students are strongly encouraged to review case materials to address the learning objectives of the case.

For students who have an approved absence or unavoidable absence due to illness, please see above discussion titled **Missed Assignments**.

COURSE EVALUATIONS QUALITY IMPROVEMENT

The following changes reflect course quality review recommendations and student feedback from the 2019-2020 academic year:

1. Interprofessional Based Learning (iPBL) has been replaced with a new module entitled “Collaborative Care” with additional opportunities for assessments incorporated in to the Clinical Reasoning Cases.
2. The midterm examination was removed, maintenance of competency will be monitored on an ongoing basis.

Course Modules

This course is composed of the following modules: Clinical Reasoning Cases, Ethics, Collaborative Care and Information Literacy. The modules are designed to focus on various aspects of medical education suited to the level of the student within this term. By the end of this course, you will begin to integrate the information learned in each separate module into a comprehensive application of information learned throughout the term.

Clinical Reasoning Cases

MODULE CONTACTS

Course Director: Dr. Matthew Wong - msw932@usask.ca – (306) 966-7202

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MODULE DESCRIPTION

In these small group learning experiences, the student will work through patient “cases” in order to practice applying knowledge from the various courses in this third term and to further develop clinical reasoning skills. All material covered in Year 1 (Terms 1 & 2) can be drawn on as well. In some cases, a flipped classroom model may be utilized.

MODULE COMPETENCIES/MILESTONES

Competencies:

1. Utilize Clinical Reasoning (CR) in:

Milestones:

- i. Analyzing the Patient Interview:
 - To determine appropriate questions required to understand the disease process, illness experience, and relevant patient context.
 - To interpret the answers.
- ii. Analyzing Components of the Physical Examination:
 - To determine appropriate maneuvers.
 - To interpret findings.
- iii. Synthesizing Information to Develop a Rational Differential Diagnosis and a Working Diagnosis
- iv. Analyzing Management:
 - To determine appropriate investigations.
 - To interpret the information.
 - To synthesize the information to further define the patient’s problem.

- v. Analyzing Diagnostic Errors:
 - To identify common errors in information gathering and synthesis.
 - To develop strategies to decrease errors in diagnosis.
2. Utilize the Patient-Centred Clinical Method (PCCM) to integrate illness experience and patient context into active shared decision-making around management.
3. Demonstrate ethico-legal reasoning.
4. Critically appraise pertinent information.

MODULE ASSESSMENT

The assessment will focus on Clinical Reasoning Cases. The details for this assessment will be posted on one45.

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Collaborative Care

MODULE CONTACTS

Module Director: Sean Polreis – sean.polreis@usask.ca – (306) 966-1311

MODULE DESCRIPTION

Collaborative Care is an active learning process where students are expected to identify learning needs, locate the appropriate information, and formulate a solution to the problem posed.

In these cooperative learning small group experiences, students will work through patient “cases” in order to have practice applying interprofessional team skills this term. Health professions’ students work in teams to gain knowledge and experience in interprofessional collaboration.

Some of the key components of the National Competency Framework established by the Canadian Interprofessional Health Collaborative (CIHC) are introduced to health professions’ students participating in collaborative care and students have an opportunity to develop knowledge, skills, attitudes and behaviors for effective interprofessional collaborative practice.

MODULE OBJECTIVES/COMPETENCIES/MILESTONES

Competency:

8. Collaborate Effectively

Milestones:

1. Role Clarification

- Assess how you used other group members’ skills & knowledge through consultation to care for the patient.
- Describe how other health care professionals (currently not on the team) could contribute to the care of the patient.

2. Team Functioning

- Describe how the use of effective group processes contributes to patient care.

3. Interprofessional Communication

- Describe how elements of effective interprofessional communication improve team function.

4. Collaborative Leadership

- Describe leadership and decision-making behaviours that are likely to contribute to group effectiveness.

5. Patient/client/family/community-centred care

- Determine useful communication approaches based on an understanding of the patient/family and the situation/context and the implications for management.

6. Interprofessional Conflict Resolution

- Describe steps and strategies for conflict resolution within interprofessional groups.

MODULE ASSESSMENT

Assessment for the Collaborative Care of Clinical Integration II will be based on the student's attendance at small group sessions and satisfactory completion of a written assignment. Please refer to the assessment breakdown above. The required written assignment will be posted on Canvas and due 1 week after the last Collaborative Care session, **TBD**. Collaborative Care may also be assessed within the Clinical Reasoning Cases and/or final exam.

MODULE CONTACTS

Module Director: Ryan Meneses – rym482@mail.usask.ca

MODULE DESCRIPTION

This module is intended to continue the development of ethical skills and analysis from Term 1. Students will be expected to demonstrate an accurate understanding of ethical principles, guidelines, laws, and present a reasonable argument for a course of action.

Students will continue to develop an analytic method of problem-solving that will prepare them to handle ethical dilemmas in real clinical situations. Students will have the opportunity to think critically about controversial issues in a group environment facilitated by healthcare professionals.

Students are encouraged to reflect upon their personal morals, beliefs and values, and recognize the impact that these beliefs have on patient care.

MODULE OBJECTIVES/COMPETENCIES/MILESTONES

Competency:

3. Demonstrate Ethico-Legal Reasoning

Milestones:

1. Identify legal and ethical principles, theories, and issues relevant to practical clinical settings.
2. Demonstrate knowledge of conflicting ethical principles and perspectives.
3. Analyze legal and ethical problems in a rational and logical manner.
4. Recognize personal biases and the impact of his/her own morals, beliefs and values.
5. Propose rationally justified solutions and approaches to legal and ethical issues.

MODULE ASSESSMENT

Ethics written assignment due by 23:59 SK time one week following the final session unless advised otherwise. Ethics may also be assessed within the Clinical Reasoning Cases and/or final exam.

Information Literacy

MODULE CONTACTS

Module Director: Erin Watson – erin.watson@usask.ca – (306) 966-7327

Administrative Coordinator: Sonja MacDonald sonja.macdonald@usask.ca – (306) 966-5354

Administrative Assistant: Joelle Cote – joelle.cote@usask.ca – (306) 966-7202

MODULE DESCRIPTION

This module reinforces and expands upon students' existing information literacy knowledge to develop information literacy skills **specifically** for the medical context.

MODULE OBJECTIVES/COMPETENCIES/MILESTONES

Competency:

4. Demonstrate Effective Information Literacy Skills to Find Relevant Information.

Milestones:

1. Examine good quality information resources for answering various clinical information needs.
2. Create a clearly defined, searchable question relevant to clinical scenario provided.
3. Develop a well-constructed search strategy to find primary literature relevant to the question.

MODULE ASSESSMENT

Information Literacy assignment due by 23:59 SK time one week following the final session unless advised otherwise. Information Literacy may also be assessed within the Clinical Reasoning Cases and/or final exam.

SELF-DIRECTED LEARNING

MODULE CONTACTS

Module Director: Dr. Matthew Wong - maw932@usask.ca – (306) 966-7202

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MODULE DESCRIPTION

Students will have the opportunity to reflect on their learning and identify an area they would like to gain additional knowledge. By working through this process students will have the opportunity to reflect on their learning, create a goal to enhance their learning, learn, receive feedback from their peers and colleagues on their growth, and make a plan for monitoring the effectiveness of their new learning. Please view this as an opportunity to explore an area of difficulty or interest through the use of self-directed learning.

Using a provided clinical case students will work through the milestones listed below.

In-Class Session:

Description: Students will identify the area they have selected for self-directed learning and review their goal and plan in the group setting. The area identified will need to incorporate one additional course competency.

Please bring a pen to this session.

Take-Home Assignment:

Description: Students will reflect on the self-directed learning process and create a presentation to present their learning to the group, receiving feedback from facilitators, and will provide feedback to other peers on their learning.

Due Date: One week following the In-Class Session.

MODULE OBJECTIVES/COMPETENCIES/MILESTONES

Competency:

6. Demonstrate Self-Directed Learning

Milestones:

Being a self-directed learner involves a five-step process:

1. Reflecting on and identifying individual learning needs, including setting a personal learning goal to guide the self-directed learning process.
2. Seeking out credible resources to address the learning need and enhancing their learning.
3. Sharing lessons learned with peers/mentors/tutors.
4. Applying lessons learned to the resolution of the learning need.
5. Identifying a plan for monitoring future effectiveness.

MODULE ASSESSMENT

Assessment points for self-directed learning will be present in both the In-Class Session and Take-Home Assignment.

Rubrics for the presentation will be posted.

IMPORTANT AND RELEVANT INFORMATION

The following information is extremely important for student success in medical school. Please refer to the [UGME Policies](#) page and the [Student Information Guide](#) for the following policies:

UGME CONTACT INFORMATION

EMAIL COMMUNICATIONS

ETHICS AND PROFESSIONALISM

PROGRAM EVALUATION

GUIDELINES FOR PROVIDING FEEDBACK

EMERGENCY PROCEDURES

MD PROGRAM ATTENDANCE POLICY

ASSESSMENT POLICY

PROMOTION STANDARDS

CONFLICT OF INTEREST

NON-INVOLVEMENT OF HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS IN STUDENT ASSESSMENT

APPEALS PROCEDURES

STUDENT DISCRIMINATION, HARASSMENT, AND MISTREATMENT PROCEDURE

ACCOMMODATION OF STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES

OFFICE OF STUDENT AFFAIRS

Where a specific College of Medicine policy or procedure does not exist, the College refers to the U of S Academic Courses Policy at <http://policies.usask.ca/policies/academic-affairs/academic-courses.php>

UNDERGRADUATE MEDICAL EDUCATION ASSIGNMENT SUBMISSION POLICY

Note: Due to the competency based module of this course additional information on how the Assignment Submission Policy will be applied in this course is outlined on page 6. In the event of a discrepancy between the two policies, the policy on page 6 supersedes the policy below.

Any assignment submitted after 23:59 SK time on the specified date is deemed late (unless otherwise specified).

All due dates or timelines for assignment submission are published in the student course syllabus¹.

A late assignment may still be submitted up to three consecutive calendar days (72 hours) from the original deadline for that assessment. The assignment must be submitted to the appropriate year Administrative Coordinator in Saskatoon, or the Educational Consultant in Regina for years 1-2. Years 3-4 must submit to the Rotation Coordinator. The student, if submitting a late assignment that is deemed to be at or above the pass mark for that assignment will receive the pass mark for the assignment. If it is assessed as below the pass mark,

¹ Canvas routinely updates their systems on certain evenings. In the event that Canvas is down for scheduled maintenance or due to technical difficulties, assignments are to be submitted by 0900 the following morning.

the student will receive the actual grade assigned for the assignment.

Any late assignments not submitted by 23:59 on the third day will receive a mark of 0%. After this period, all mandatory assignments must still be submitted, or the student will be deemed to be missing a course component, which will result in an incomplete course. Subsequent academic consequences will be determined at the promotions committee meetings.

In addition to the consequences specified herein, students submitting mandatory assignments late should anticipate a meeting to discuss professionalism, which may result in associated documentation.

All requests for a deferral of an assignment due date must be received a minimum of 72 hours prior to the deadline. All such requests must be sent to the Course Director or Rotation Coordinator and copied to the relevant Administrative Coordinator. The course director, in consultation with the year chair and appropriate course/module/rotation director will make a final decision and notify the student of the outcome. Exceptional, unforeseen circumstances will be considered on an individual basis as above.

CITATION FORMAT

Unless otherwise specified by the course or module director, the expected citation format is that of the International Committee of Medical Journal Editors (ICMJE). Examples of this citation format are available at www.nlm.nih.gov/bsd/uniform_requirements.html

PROFESSIONALISM

Students can be deemed unsuccessful on any course assessment for not achieving course expectations of professionalism. This would include, but is not limited to, any unapproved absences from a mandatory session, and/or submission of late assignments. Students failing to meet professional expectations in the course should anticipate a meeting with the Module/Course Directors and/or Year Chair to discuss the concern, which may result in associated documentation. For further information on professionalism, please refer to the UGME Procedures for Concerns with Medical Student Professional Behavior.

<http://medicine.usask.ca/policies/professionalism-standard-operating-procedure.php>

RECORDING OF THE LECTURES

Most lectures will be recorded and posted to the course Blackboard site under Course Materials. However, each lecturer reserves the right to choose whether or not their lectures will be recorded. Lecture recordings are not intended to be a replacement for attending the session but rather to enhance understanding of the concepts.

Please remember that course recordings belong to your instructor, the University, and/or others (like a guest lecturer) depending on the circumstance of each session, and are protected by copyright. Do not download, copy, or share recordings without the explicit permission of the instructor.

For questions about recording and use of sessions in which you have participated, including any concerns related to your privacy, please contact the UME administrative coordinator for this course. More information on class recordings can be found in the Academic Courses Policy <https://policies.usask.ca/policies/academic-affairs/academic-courses.php#5ClassRecordings>

REQUIRED VIDEO USE:

At times in this course you may be required to have your video on during video conferencing sessions, in order to support observation of skills, to support group learning activities, or for exam invigilation. It will be necessary for you to use of a webcam built into or connected to your computer.

For questions about use of video in your sessions, including those related to your privacy, contact your instructor.

COPYRIGHT

Course materials are provided to students based on registration in a class, and anything created by professors and instructors is their intellectual property, unless materials are designated as open education resources. This includes exams, PowerPoint/PDF slides and other course notes. Additionally, other copyright-protected materials created by textbook publishers and authors may be provided to students based on license terms and educational exceptions in the Canadian Copyright Act (see <http://laws-lois.justice.gc.ca/eng/acts/C-42/index.html>)

Before copying or distributing others' copyright-protected materials, please ensure that use of the materials is covered under the University's Fair Dealing Copyright Guidelines available at <https://library.usask.ca/copyright/general-information/fair-dealing-guidelines.php>. For example, posting others' copyright-protected materials on the open web is not covered under the University's Fair Dealing Copyright Guidelines, and doing so requires permission from the copyright holder.

For more information about copyright, please visit <https://library.usask.ca/copyright/index.php> where there is information for students available at <https://library.usask.ca/copyright/students/rights.php>, or contact the University's Copyright Coordinator at <mailto:copyright.coordinator@usask.ca> or (306)966-8817.

INTEGRITY DEFINED (FROM THE OFFICE OF THE UNIVERSITY SECRETARY)

The University of Saskatchewan is committed to the highest standards of academic integrity and honesty. Students are expected to be familiar with these standards regarding academic honesty and to uphold the policies of the University in this respect. Students are particularly urged to familiarize themselves with the provisions of the Student Conduct & Appeals section of the University Secretary Website and avoid any behavior that could potentially result in suspicions of cheating, plagiarism, misrepresentation of facts and/or participation in an offence. Academic dishonesty is a serious offence and can result in suspension or expulsion from the University.

All students should read and be familiar with the Regulations on Academic Student Misconduct (www.usask.ca/secretariat/student-conduct-appeals/StudentAcademicMisconduct.pdf) as well as the Standard of Student Conduct in Non-Academic Matters and Procedures for Resolution of Complaints and Appeals (www.usask.ca/secretariat/student-conduct-appeals/StudentNon-AcademicMisconduct.pdf)

For more information on what academic integrity means for students see the Student Conduct & Appeals section of the University Secretary Website at: www.usask.ca/secretariat/student-conduct-appeals/forms/IntegrityDefined.pdf

INTEGRITY IN A REMOTE LEARNING CONTEXT

Although the face of teaching and learning has changed due to covid-19, the rules and principles governing academic integrity remain the same. If you ever have questions about what may or may not be permitted, ask your instructor. Students have found it especially important to clarify rules related to exams administered remotely and to follow these carefully and completely.

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For more information on what academic integrity means for students see the Academic Integrity section of the University Library Website at: <https://library.usask.ca/academic-integrity#AboutAcademicIntegrity>

You are encouraged to complete the Academic Integrity Tutorial to understand the fundamental values of academic integrity and how to be a responsible scholar and member of the USask community - <https://library.usask.ca/academic-integrity.php#AcademicIntegrityTutorial>

EXAMINATIONS WITH ACCESS AND EQUITY SERVICES (AES)

Students who have disabilities (learning, medical, physical, or mental health) are strongly encouraged to register with Access and Equity Services (AES) if they have not already done so. Students who suspect they may have disabilities should contact the Student Affairs Coordinator at the Office of Student Affairs (OSA) for advice and referrals. In order to access AES programs and supports, students must follow AES policy and procedures. For more information, check www.students.usask.ca/aes, or contact AES at (306) 966-7273 or aes@usask.ca.

Students registered with AES may request alternative arrangements for mid-term and final examinations.

Students must arrange such accommodations through the Office of Student Affairs (OSA) by the stated deadlines. Instructors shall provide the examinations for students who are being accommodated by the deadlines established by AES.

RECOMMENDED TECHNOLOGY FOR REMOTE LEARNING

Students are reminded of the importance of having the appropriate technology for remote learning. The list of recommendations can be found at <https://students.usask.ca/remote-learning/tech-requirements.php>.

STUDENT SUPPORTS

COLLEGE OF MEDICINE, OFFICE OF STUDENT AFFAIRS

Student Affairs offers confidential support and advocacy at arm's length from the academic offices. For more information, in Saskatoon please contact:

COM Student Affairs Coordinator, Edith Conacher at edith.conacher@usask.ca or (306)966-4751

COM and the School of Rehabilitation Science Coordinator, Bev Digout at bev.digout@usask.ca or 306-966-8224

COM Student Affairs Coordinator (Regina Campus), Lisa Persaud at lisa.Persaud@saskhealthauthority.ca or (306)766-0620

STUDENT LEARNING SERVICES

Student Learning Services (SLS) offers assistance to U of S undergrad and graduate students. For information on specific services, please see the SLS web site <http://library.usask.ca/studentlearning/>.

STUDENT AND ENROLMENT SERVICES DIVISION

The Student and Enrolment Services Division (SESD) focuses on providing developmental and support services and programs to students and the university community. For more information, see the students' web site <http://students.usask.ca>.

ACADEMIC HELP FOR STUDENTS

The University Library offers a range of learning and academic support to assist USask undergrad and graduate students. For information on specific services, please see the Learning page on the Library web site <https://library.usask.ca/support/learning.php>.

Remote learning support information <https://students.usask.ca/remote-learning/index.php>

Class and study tips <https://students.usask.ca/remote-learning/class-and-study-tips.php>

Remote learning tutorial https://libguides.usask.ca/remote_learning

Study skills materials for online learning <https://libguides.usask.ca/studyskills>

A guide on netiquette, principles to guide respectful online learning interactions

<https://teaching.usask.ca/remote-teaching/netiquette.php>

<https://students.usask.ca/study/remote-learning.php><https://libguides.usask.ca/studyskills>

TEACHING, LEARNING AND STUDENT EXPERIENCE

Teaching, Learning and Student Experience (TLSE) provides developmental and support services and programs to students and the university community. For more information, see the students' web site <http://students.usask.ca>.

FINANCIAL SUPPORT

Any student who faces challenges securing their food or housing and believes this may affect their performance in the course is urged to contact Student Central (<https://students.usask.ca/student-central.php>).

ABORIGINAL STUDENTS CENTRE

The Aboriginal Students Centre (ASC) is dedicated to supporting Aboriginal student academic and personal success. The centre offers personal, social, cultural and some academic supports to Métis, First Nations, and Inuit students. The centre is also dedicated to intercultural education, bringing Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal students together to learn from, with and about one another in a respectful, inclusive and safe environment.

Students are encouraged to visit the ASC's Facebook page (<https://www.facebook.com/aboriginalstudentscentre/>) to learn more.

INTERNATIONAL STUDENT AND STUDY ABROAD CENTRE

The International Student and Study Abroad Centre (ISSAC) supports student success and facilitates international education experiences at USask and abroad. ISSAC is here to assist all international undergraduate, graduate, exchange and English as a Second Language students in their transition to the University of Saskatchewan and to life in Canada. ISSAC offers advising and support on matters that affect international students and their families and on matters related to studying abroad as University of Saskatchewan students. Please visit students.usask.ca or updates.usask.ca for more information.

Remember, there are [many supports available](#) to help you thrive in the remote learning context.