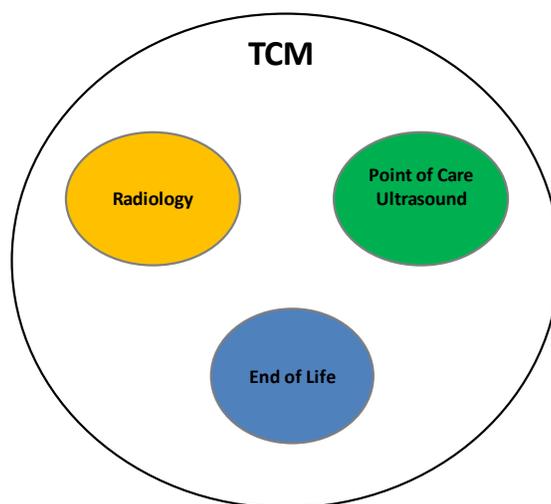


Topics in Clinical Medicine – Vertically Integrated Curricula



“Topics in Clinical Medicine” (TCM) is a SSOM Course which encompasses the Vertically Integrated Curricula (VICs).

VICs are relevant and contemporary curricular topics that span multiple disciplines and are therefore learned/taught/evaluated across the four year curriculum.

The three VICs are:

End of Life
Point of Care Ultrasound
Radiology

The goal of these vertically integrated curricula is to further student development into physicians who provide evidence-based, appropriate, effective, safe, compassionate and quality care.

Each VIC has established objectives. Acquisition of knowledge, skills, and professional attitudes and behaviors is evaluated as part of the course/clerkship assessment(s) into which the VIC material is integrated.

Attaining a Pass in TCM is required for graduation and to do so a student must receive a Pass in each individual VIC.

ASSESSMENTS

Topics in Clinical Medicine 1

The Topics in Clinical Medicine 1 Grade is comprised of:

one multiple choice exam which covers Radiology VIC topics addressed in the Structure of the Human Body Course

A score of 70% is required to pass the exam.

Students who do not obtain 70% on each exam will be required to successfully complete a remediation process in order to Pass the Topics in Clinical Medicine 1 Course.

Topics in Clinical Medicine 2

Students will be assessed on their knowledge of Radiology VIC content via multiple choice questions on designated block exams.

To pass the TCM2 Radiology VIC and TCM2 Course, students must answer greater than or equal to 70% of Radiology VIC exam questions correctly.

$$\left(\frac{\text{Total number of Radiology VIC questions answered correctly}}{\text{Total number of Radiology VIC questions}} \right) \times 100$$

Students who do not achieve $\geq 70\%$ will receive a Fail Grade for TCM2.

Students eligible for remediation will be provided an opportunity to remediate the TCM2 Radiology VIC and take a multiple choice remediation exam.

A passing score for the remediation exam will be $>$ or equal to 70%.

Attendance at the hands-on radiology chest x-ray workshop is required.

Topics in Clinical Medicine 3

A final comprehensive "Capstone" TCM exam is given at the end of the third year after the individual components of each VIC are completed.

The exam will include multiple-choice questions from the three Vertically Integrated Curricula (VIC):

End of Life
Point of Care Ultrasound
Radiology

Students are provided Objectives for each VIC exam to guide their studies as are resources for preparation for the exams.

Students must PASS each individual VIC exam with a score of at least 70% in order to pass the Topics in Medicine 3 course and meet the criteria for graduation.

In order to be eligible to sit for the TCM3 exam, students must be completing their last required M3 Clerkship.

All students must complete and meet expectations for the End of Life OSCE which is administered in the M3 year.