

UMass Medical School -2008/09 Academic Calendar Summary

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	Month	Dates	Class Year	Event	
Every effort has been made to ensure the accuracy of this information however; The University reserves the right to make changes due to uncontrollable or unforeseen circumstances.	JULY	1	1	Registration (7/1-7/30)	
		4	All*	Independence Day (Holiday)	
		7	4	Begin Month 1 (7/7-8/1)	
		7 & 8	3	Clinical Years Orientation	
		9	3	Begin Block 1A (7/9-8/15)	
		AUGUST	4	4	Begin Month 2 (8/4-8/29)
		7	1/2	Start of classes, fall semester	
		7	1	First Year Students Orientation	
		7	1	First Year Parent Orientation (Alumni/Parents Relations)	
		12	2	Welcome Back Luncheon	
	15	1/2	Activities Fair		
	18	3	Begin Block 1B (8/18-9/25)		
	SEPTEMBER	1	All*	Labor Day (Holiday)	
	2	4	4	Begin Month 3 (9/2-9/26)	
	26	3/4	3/4	InterClerkship Experience (optional for M4)	
	29	4	4	Begin Month 4 (9/29-10/24)	
	29	3	3	Begin Block 2A (9/29-11/6)	
	30			Rosh Hashanah **	
	OCTOBER	9		Yom Kippur **	
	13	All*		Columbus Day (Holiday)	
	27	4	4	Begin Month 5 (10/27 -11/21)	
	NOVEMBER	7	3/4	InterClerkship Experience (optional for M4)	
	10	3	3	Begin Block 2B (11/10 -12/19)	
	11	All*		Veteran's Day (Holiday)	
	24	4	4	Begin Month 6 (11/24 -12/19)	
	27	All*		Thanksgiving Day (Holiday)	
	28	1/2	1/2	Day after Thanksgiving (Holiday)	
	DECEMBER	2	1	The Big Picture - Life in (and after) Medical School	
	4/5	4	4	EOTYA retest dates (applies only to students taking retest)	
	19	1/2	1/2	End of Fall Semester	
	22	All	All	Winter Break (12/22-1/2)	
	24 & 25	All	All	Day before Christmas (Holiday) Christmas Day (Holiday)	
	JANUARY	1	All	New Year's Day (Holiday)	
	5	1/2	1/2	Start of Spring Semester	
	5 & 6	3/4	3/4	InterClerkship Experience (optional for M4)	
	5	3	3	Career Day - Part 1 (following interclerkship)	
	5	4	4	Begin Month 7 (1/5-1/30)	
	7	3	3	Begin Block 3A (1/7-2/12)	
	19	All*	All*	Martin Luther King Day (Holiday)	
	FEBRUARY	2	4	Begin Month 8 (2/2-2/27)	
	13	3	3	Career Day - Part 2	
	16	All*	All*	President's Day (Holiday)	
	17	3	3	Begin Block 3B (2/17-3/26)	
	MARCH	2	4	Begin Month 9 (3/2-3/27)	
	16	1/2	1/2	Spring Break (3/16-3/20)	
	19	4	4	Match Day	
	23	2	2	Introduction to Clerkships	
	27	3/4	3/4	InterClerkship Experience (optional for M4)	
	30	3/4	3/4	Spring Vacation (3/30-4/3)	
	APRIL	6	3	Career Day - Part 3: "Soup to Nuts" (following Interclerkship)	
	6	4	4	Begin Month 10 (4/6-5/1)	
	6 & 7	3/4	3/4	InterClerkship Experience (optional for M4)	
	8	3	3	Begin Block 4A (4/8-5/15)	
	9			Passover (First Sedar)	
	15	All	All	Berlin Award Ceremony	
	20	All*	All*	Patriot's Day (Holiday)	
	MAY	4	4	Begin Month 11 (5/4-5/29)	
	18	3	3	Begin Block 4B (5/18-6/25)	
	22	2	2	End of classes and exams for Spring semester.	
	25	All*	All*	Memorial Day (Holiday)	
	JUNE	1	4	Begin Month 12 (6/1-6/26) (extended students or approved grad. students only)	
	1	1	1	End of classes and exams for spring semester	
	1-5	4	4	Certification for Graduation Week (6/1-6/5)	
	5	4	4	Awards Breakfast	
	6	1	1	Summer Orientation	
	7	4	4	GRADUATION	
	26	3/4	3/4	InterClerkship Experience (optional for M4)	

*State and Federal holidays are indicated, however students in the clinical years must follow the holiday schedule at their clinical sites.

Overnight call is expected of third and fourth year students.

** Please note, "All Jewish holidays start at sunset the day before they are listed here."