

**Nova Southeastern University
College of Osteopathic Medicine**

Policy:	Return from Leave of Absence
COM Program/Degree:	Osteopathic Medicine Program/D.O.
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The Return from Leave of Absence policy has changed. The original policy, which can be found on page 135 of the 2020-2021 COM Student Handbook, is updated with the following, with additions in red:

4. Return from Leave of Absence

Upon return, an OMS1 or OMS2 student who was withdrawn from coursework during the leave will have to repeat all courses in their entirety during the next course offering and may not progress to the next class year of study until all such coursework is successfully completed.

Upon return, an OMS1 or OMS2 student who was not withdrawn from coursework will be expected to take all missed examinations and complete other required coursework according to a schedule determined by the Office of Preclinical Education in consultation with the involved course directors.

Upon return, an OMS3 or OMS4 student must meet with the assistant dean of Osteopathic Clinical Education, or designee, to determine a plan for the remaining required clinical rotations. **All outstanding requirements for rotations in which the student attended for the required number of days prior to the LOA must be achieved before the student may begin a new rotation. These requirements include:**

- **have a case evaluation form submitted by the preceptor through eMedley**
- **have a Preceptor Evaluation of Student Form submitted by the preceptor through eMedley**
- **complete all assigned Canvas modules**
- **complete and submit to the Office of Osteopathic Clinical Education an electronic Student Evaluation of Clinical Rotation form, through eMedley**
- **complete and submit to the Office of Osteopathic Clinical Education an electronic service patient log form through eMedley, with the exception of research rotations**
- **earn a Standard Score of 80 or above on the first or second attempt on any outstanding COMAT end-of-discipline examination(s) (if applicable)**

Outstanding COMAT end-of-discipline examinations may not be taken until after 2 weeks from a student's return from a medical LOA.