Length of Completion Policy

Policy Statement

Professional and ethical competence is required for graduation. Students must demonstrate the ethical and professional qualities deemed necessary for success and continued study and practice of osteopathic medicine; the suitability for the practice of medicine by dutiful and responsible acceptance for patient care; and integrity in all prescribed courses and clinical experiences to graduate.

A student must have completed all curricular requirements at Noorda-COM, or in the case of a qualified transferred student, a minimum of the third and fourth academic years through Noorda-COM.

To become eligible for graduation, each fourth-year student must have successfully complete all the requirements for the degree of Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine within six years of matriculation (150% of the standard time to achieve the degree). The six years allow for the student to have been in a delayed program due to medical, academic, and/or behavioral leaves of absence.

Students must meet with the Assistant Director of Financial Aid and Registrar to complete all required exit forms and/or to receive a diploma.

Entities Affected by the Policy

Students

Policy Procedures

The following will be granted to and conferred upon candidates who:

- Have demonstrated good moral, professional, and ethical character
- Have satisfied all academic requirements for graduation as attested to by the Student Promotion Committee (SPC), has been recommended by vote of the faculty, and approved by Noorda-COM’s Board of Trustees
• Have passed the COMLEX-USA Level 1, COMLEX-USA Level 2-CE, and COMLEX-USA Level 2-PE; and
• Completed all required exit paperwork and settled all financial obligations with o Noorda-
COM and affiliate and collaborative partners incurred during as a result of the academic
program.
• Have completed all the requirements for the degree of Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine
within six years of matriculation (150% of the standard time to achieve the degree).

Definitions

Qualified Transfer Student – attendance of an eligible institution which is accredited by the
Commission on Osteopathic College Accreditation (COCA) or Liaison Committee on Medical
Education (LCME) See Transfer Policy for complete details.

Responsibilities

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Policy Violations

Interpreting Authority

Dean’s Council

Statutory or Regulatory References

Relevant Links

Policy Adoption Review and Approval

Dean’s Council