

Virtual Suggestion Box Replies for May 2023

Suggestion # 5

“Please consider moving Intersession lectures to Zoom. It would be immensely valuable to students who have not gotten a day to themselves to grocery shop, see family, and take care of themselves as human beings. Most of the programming can easily be conducted through Zoom. When students are forced to attend in person, they are often on their phones and not paying attention anyway because much of the programming is common sense and does not provide value. Instead of a lecture on self-care, can you just give us time for self-care? That would be more valuable than anything.”

Response:

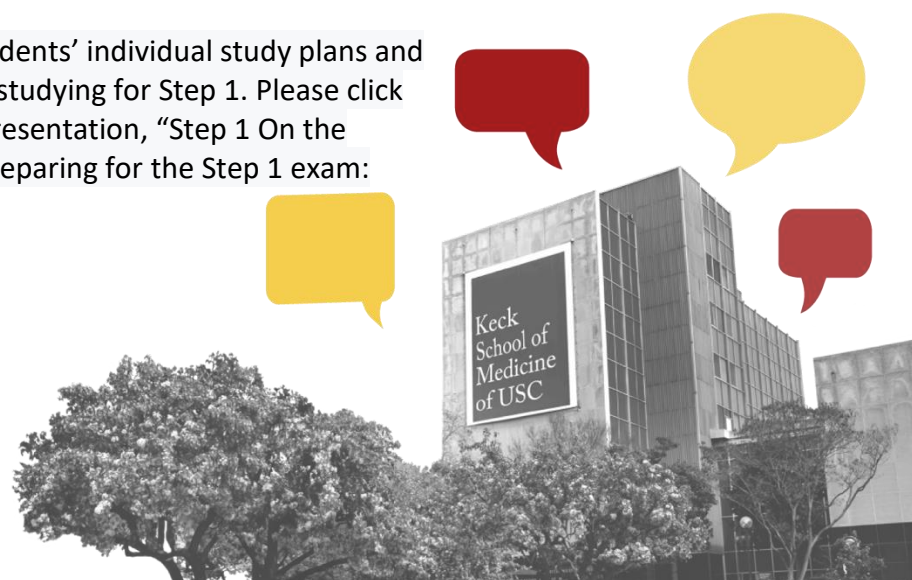
Please note that Intersession is designed for students to come together as a class following their formative experiences in the clinical setting. In-person activities contribute to a sense of class identity and belonging, contribute to your professional identity, and enhance discussion on important topics raised that week. Intersession 1 activities will take place Monday-Thursday of that week. Friday will be a make-up day for anyone who missed an activity during the week, so most students will not be expected to report to class on Friday. Please continue to evaluate courses through OASIS. It would be helpful for this information to be shared under the “Additional Comments” section for the Intersession course. Also, please work with your curriculum reps so they are aware as well.

Suggestion #6

“I wish the timing of step 1 was kept the same as the class of 2025 since we will be missing out on our winter break :/ “

Response:

The timing of Step 1 will be based on students’ individual study plans and how and when they decide to start fully studying for Step 1. Please click on the link below to review Dr. Nash’s presentation, “Step 1 On the Horizon” for complete information on preparing for the Step 1 exam:



[Step 1 On the Horizon](#)

Suggestion #7

“I would like to take Step 1 late Nov., early Dec. 2023. Please allow time in the curriculum for students to do this even though dedicated has been pushed back. Many people already had plans for Dec/Jan when the curriculum was changed.”

Response:

Students are expected to take Step 1 by the end of dedicated study time. The exam can be taken earlier, but all students must confirm their readiness with the LEAD team to ensure they are prepared before taking the exam. Keep in mind that the Fall semester content is designed to further prepare students for Step 1. Be sure to work with the LEAD team to decide on the most optimal test date to ensure your success in passing the exam.

