CRITICAL DEADLINES
2017-2018

**December 31, 2017** – Deadline to take USMLE Step 2 CS/CK exams for June 2018 graduation.

**January 5, 2018** – Last day to submit request to Registrar to take Spring Quarter 2018 Off

**February 5, 2018** – No more changes or revisions to your Fourth-Year Curriculum Schedule allowed.

IMPORTANT REGISTRATION INFORMATION

It is critical to keep the School of Medicine Registrar’s Office informed of your current mailing address and primary phone number so that we can find you should problems arise. It is also important to access the SISWeb (http://sisweb.ucdavis.edu) to update your mailing address. Please make sure to update current address changes for both “mailing” and “billing” addresses.

REQUEST TO TAKE SPRING 2018 QUARTER OFF

If a student plans to take the Spring 2018 Quarter Off, you must complete a “Spring Quarter Off Form” (please see this site for current form: http://www.ucdmc.ucdavis.edu/mdprogram/registrar/form.html), and submit it to the School of Medicine Registrar’s Office, by January 5, 2018.

Students taking Spring Quarter Off should consider their curriculum schedule unchangeable (after submitting their application for Spring Quarter Off) so that graduation checks may be completed in a timely fashion.

DECEMBER 2017 GRADUATION

Each year some students choose to graduate in December. In order to graduate in December a student must have finished all fourth year requirements and been approved by the School of Medicine Registrar as having passed the graduation requirements. Students graduating in December 2017 may “walk” at commencement with the Class of 2018 and be listed in the June 2018 commencement brochure as a December 2017 graduate.

Listed below are some “pros” and “cons” of graduating in December:

**Pros:**
- Flexibility of your third and fourth year schedule – student can take a leave; pursue another degree (Ph.D., MPH, etc.), research, travel abroad, etc.
- If experiencing academic difficulties, a student can extend to December and still graduate in the same year and save the financial expenses of two more Quarters.
- Student can use January through July (after the December graduation) for working, research, childcare, or whatever else you wish to do, prior to starting Residency.

**Cons:**
- If on financial aid, repayments of loans begin 6 months after you are no longer enrolled, thus prior to the beginning of your Residency.
- Student will go through the Residency/ERAS process with next class (Class of 2018) and Match in March of 2018, after their December graduation date. During the Match process you will be assisted as a current student.
- **Students will no longer have medical health** (WHA), **Vision** (VSP) or dental (Premier) insurance coverage. With a December 2017 graduation, medical, dental and vision insurance plans are terminated as of 12/31/2017. If a student needs health, vision and/or dental coverage from January to the time their Residency begins the following July, they will need to arrange for their own coverage. Students are not UC employees, therefore, not eligible for COBRA extended coverage.
- If you intend to graduate December 2017, you must meet with the fourth-year curriculum manager or advisor, along with the SOM Registrar and Financial Aid Director for approval.

Helpful Information:
- Review SISWeb at http://sisweb.ucdavis.edu
- Enrollment or Graduation Questions: SOM Registrar’s Office hs-studentrecords@ucdavis.edu
- Financial Aid Questions: SOM Financial Aid Office hs-financialaid@ucdavis.edu
- Curriculum Schedule Questions, Polly Latow, Clinical Curriculum Manager (916) 734-4984, phlatow@ucdavis.edu, or Denise Nelson, Residency Application & Elective Administrator, (916) 734-3530, danelson@ucdavis.edu