

UNIFORMED SERVICES UNIVERSITY OF THE HEALTH SCIENCES



SUBJECT: Enrollment of Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences (USUHS) School of Medicine (SOM) Medical Students in USUHS Graduate Courses for Credit

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ABSTRACT

This Instruction assigns responsibility and prescribes the procedures to be followed to enroll USUHS SOM medical students in USUHS SOM graduate courses for academic credit.

- A. <u>Purpose</u>. The purpose of this Instruction is to reissue USUHS Instruction 1310^a and to establish policies and procedures that will enable USUHS SOM medical students to enroll in USUHS SOM graduate courses for academic credit.
- B. References. See Enclosure 1.
- C. Applicability.

The policies and procedures set forth in this Instruction apply to matriculated students in the F. Edward Hébert School of Medicine, USUHS, who are candidates for the M.D. degree.

- **D.** <u>Background.</u> There are at least three sets of circumstances which may provide the opportunity for medical students to enroll in graduate courses:
- 1. Academic departments have the authority to exempt individual medical students from required courses in the medical curriculum in accordance with USUHS Instruction 1105^b, section C.1.d.(12).

- Medical students in a decelerated status may have individualized curricula with less than a full-time equivalent of required academic courses during certain academic periods.
- 3. There are elective blocks in the fourth-year curriculum during which students must select and enroll in approved courses.

In these or other appropriate circumstances, approval may be granted for selected USUHS SOM students to participate in courses in the graduate programs at the SOM, USUHS. It is appropriate to grant academic credit for all approved courses taken by medical students as part of the curriculum leading to the M.D. degree.

- E. Procedures. See Enclosure 2.
- F. Policy.
- 1. Matriculated students in the SOM who are candidates for the M.D. degree may

be permitted to enroll in and receive academic credit for courses in the SOM graduate programs at USUHS.

- 2. Enrollment of medical students in the SOM graduate courses at USUHS does not constitute admission to specific graduate programs or confer eligibility to receive graduate degrees other than the M.D. degree.
- **G.** <u>Effective Date.</u> This Instruction is effective immediately.

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Enclosures:

- 1. References
- 2. Procedures

REFERENCES

- (a) USUHS Instruction 1310, "Enrollment of Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences (USUHS) School of Medicine (SOM) Medical Students in USUHS Graduate Courses for Credit," dated September 28, 1995 (hereby cancelled)
- (b) USUHS Instruction 1105, "Grades and Grading Policies and Procedures," dated December 19, 2005
- (c) USUHS Instruction 1201, "Student Promotions Committee," dated December 19, 2005