

## **lealth** School of Medicine

Policy Name:	Calculation of Quintile Rank
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Related LCME Element(s) (if any):	

**A. Policy** – Class rank for a given academic year (MSI, MSII, MSIII) is based on course scores received during that year. All course scores are included in the calculation of class rank. When a course must be repeated due to a failing score, the initial score received, rather than the remediation score, is used in the calculation, to be fair to students who successfully completed all courses the first time.

Cumulative class rank is based on performance in all courses of all years completed to date of calculation. As described above for yearly class rank, all course scores, including failing scores, are used in this calculation. To determine class rank, weighted score averages are calculated for each student. The averages are calculated by multiplying the credit hours for each course by the percentage score received in the course, and dividing the sum of the products for all courses by the total credit hours. Students accepted into Advanced Standing are not included in the final cumulative class ranking.

Grades are recorded on a student's official record (transcript) as P (Pass/ F (Fail) for MSI and MSII courses. These grades are derived from numerical course scores, which will be used to generate quintile rank for each student at the completion of the MSI, MSII and MSIII academic years.

**B. Purpose** – This policy addresses the calculation of quintile rank for a given academic year and the cumulative class rank.

**C. Scope** – This policy applies to all School of Medicine students.