

Icahn School of Medicine at **Mount Sinai** 

# MEDICAL SCIENTIST TRAINING PROGRAM - MILESTONES

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Milestone	Deadline
Identify first laboratory rotation before arrival (Director's approval required)	June 15 (before matriculation)
Assignment of pre-clinical advisors	June 15 (before matriculation)
NOTE: Vacation taken before starting in program	

YEAR 1 - MD1			
Milestone	Deadline		
Identify first laboratory rotation before arrival (Director's approvrequired) and complete <u>laboratory rotation agreement</u> Laboratory Rotation Presentation; complete <u>laboratory rotation</u> <u>evaluation</u> with summer mentor	(before matriculation)		
Meet with Director to discuss progress and rotation choices for upcoming summer (Dec 1 – Jan 31)	Feb 1		
Identify second/third rotations (Director's approval required) an complete laboratory rotation agreement	d March 1		
Individual Development Plan for MD/PhDs (IDP for MD/PhDs)	May 1		
Required Courses and Events			
Problem Solving in Biomedical Science (PSBS) course (summer)			
<ul> <li>First laboratory rotation (summer)</li> </ul>			
Annual MSTP Retreat			
Medical school courses			
Biomedical Sciences (BMS) for MD/PhD Fall/Spring Courses			
Responsible Conduct in Research (RCR) (can also be to be	taken in MD2)		
Medical Scientist Grand Rounds (MSGR) ~8 sessions per year			



YEAR 2 - MD2				
Milestone	Deadline			
Complete Second and Third Laboratory Rotations/ Laboratory Rotation Presentation	Early Aug			
Dinner meeting with Director and PhD phase students to discuss Mid-Feb				
preparation for USMLE Step 1 (date varies)				
Meet with Director to discuss selection of PhD mentor (Sept –	Feb 15			
Feb)				
Submit form to Declare MTA / mentor (Director's approval March 1				
required)				
Individual Development Plan for MD/PhDs (IDP for MD/PhDs)	May 1			
Take USMLE Step 1	June 30			
Required Courses and Events				
<ul> <li>Complete second/third rotations (summer between first and second year)</li> </ul>				
Summer vacation: 2 weeks after Rotation Presentation day (end of rotations)				
Medical school courses				
Annual MSTP Retreat				
<ul> <li>Biostatistics (can also be taken in MP1); waiver Exam optional (grade 85 or above = pass)</li> </ul>				
RCR (might have been taken in MD1)				

MSGR ~ 8 sessions per year



## YEAR 3 - MP1 **Milestone** Deadline Start in lab July 15 Annual MSTP Retreat – poster presentation encouraged Sept 1 With PhD mentor, identify and invite Advisory Committee Aug 30 members (check with MTA Co-Directors for guidelines) by end of summer May 1 Individual Development Plan for MD/PhDs (IDP for MD/PhDs) Thesis Proposal Exam June 30 Thesis Advisory Committee Meeting Dec 15 **Required Courses and Events** Summer vacation: 2 weeks following STEP I (mentor begins to pay stipend after the 2

- week vacation)
  MTA-specific courses
- □ MSGR ~8 sessions per year
- □ RCR (if not already taken)
- □ Thesis Advisory Committee Meeting (twice per year)
- □ <u>Thesis Proposal Registration</u> (at least 4 weeks prior to Thesis Proposal Exam)
- □ Thesis Proposal Exam by June 30 (extension requires MSTP Director approval)
- □ If applying for F30/F31: request Program Description letter from MSTP Director
- □ Submission of F30/F31 application (strongly recommended)



# YEAR 4 – MP2 Milestone Deadline Annual MSTP Retreat – poster presentation required Sept 1 Review and revise IDP for MD/PhDs May 1 Required Coursework and Events Advanced MTA coursework □ Thesis Advisory Committee Meeting (twice per year) □ MSGR ~8 sessions per year □ If applying for or resubmitting F30/F31: request Program Description letter from MSTP Director

- □ Submit F30/F31 application (new or resubmission, strongly recommended)
- □ 2 weeks of vacation to be arranged with mentor



	YEAR 5 – MP3				
	Milestone	Deadline			
	Annual MSTP Retreat – poster presentation required	Sept 1			
	Review and revise IDP for MD/PhDs	May 1			
Planning Meeting for MD3 Re-entry (for MP3 and MP4 students September 15					
and mentors Required Coursework and Events					
Thesis Advisory Committee Meeting (twice per year)					
MSGR ~8 sessions per year					
	Possible early PhD Thesis defense (if so, refer to MP4 in:	structions)			
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## YEAR 6 - MP4**Milestone** Deadline Annual MSTP Retreat – poster presentation required; oral Sept 1 presentation by ~4 students (invited) Planning Meeting for MD3 Re-entry (for MP3 and MP4 students Sept 15 and mentors Thesis Committee Meeting to discuss thesis defense, review and Dec 15 revise IDP for MD/PhDs January Re-entry Planning Meeting End of Jan (date varies) Meeting Faculty Advisor for Re-entry planning During month of Feb Lottery Planning Meeting End of Feb (date varies) Enter lottery Elective registration tba End of Feb (date varies) **Register for Clinical Refresher Course** Schedule PhD Thesis defense (strongly encouraged that the May 1 defense take place prior to April 1) Deposit Dissertation June 15 InFocus6 (formally known as Clinical Skills Week) - full time re-Last week of June (date entry into MD3 varies) **Required Courses and Events** □ Advanced MTA coursework □ Thesis Advisory Committee Meeting (twice per year) □ MSGR ~8 sessions per year □ Prepare for reentry to medical school PhD Thesis defense □ Clinical Refresher Course (April through first week of June) □ Note: please schedule 2 weeks of vacation mid-June (between end of Clinical

Refresher and start of InFocus6)



# YEAR 7 - MD3 Deadline Milestone Deadline Review and revise IDP for MD/PhDs with MSPE meetings May 1 Required Courses and Events May 1 MD3 clerkships Collect letters for Residency Applications Spring: meet with Faculty Advisor re: MSPE and MD4 planning MD4 Schedule Planning Elective planning and registration

□ Registration for USMLE Step 2



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	vith MSTP Director for Research letter component of (May-July)	July 15	
	v and revise <u>IDP for MD/PhDs</u> / Exit Survey	May 1	
Required Courses and Events			
	<ul> <li>USMLE Step 2 CS and CK (summer between year 7 and 8)</li> </ul>		
	Meet with faculty advisor re: MSPE (Spring/Summer)		
	<ul> <li>Collect letters for Residency applications (if applying)</li> </ul>		
	Meet with MSTP Director to discuss content of MSTP Research letter for MSPE		
Write personal statement for Residency applications			
	Assemble and submit residency applications		
	MD4 clerkships and electives		
	Residency Interviews		
	Match (March)		
	Reception for graduating MSTP students		
	Commencement (mid-May)		