TUCSON EDUCATIONAL POLICY COMMITTEE

Overview:

The purview of the Tucson Educational Policy Committee (TEPC) will work with the Dean, Deputy Dean and COM Administration to provide governance and oversight of the undergraduate medical curriculum, to advance educational goals, and to make sure the College meets its accreditation standards. The committee will develop policies for student performance and advancement, and criteria to receive an M.D. degree.
A MESSAGE FROM OUR CHAIRS & CURRICULAR AFFAIRS

We are grateful for the opportunity to share the successes from the shared governance between the Office of Curricular Affairs and the Tucson Education Policy Committee (TEPC), dedicated to delivering a quality MD program. Over the past six months, our concerted efforts have been on enforcing action plans and refining our curriculum to enhance compliance with LCME accreditation standards, which has positively impacted our MD students’ learning experiences as evidenced by recent satisfaction surveys. We remain committed to sustaining educational excellence and fostering an optimal learning environment in collaboration with TEPC. We look forward to continuing to build upon our successes, and embracing new opportunities for improvement and innovation to meet the evolving needs of our students and the medical community.
TUCSON EDUCATIONAL POLICY COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Cori Daines, MD  
Vice Chair ((6/22-6/25))

Dale Woolridge, MD, PhD, FAAEM, FAAP, FACEP  
Chair

Raquel Hernandez Givens, PhD  
Associate Dean  
Curricular Affairs
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ALAN BEDRICK, MD – PEDIATRICS (6/22-6/23) – FACULTY
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SERENA SCOTT, MD, MBA – MEDICINE (6/22-6/24) – FACULTY

ANTHONY MCCOY (2023) – STUDENT
COLIN FIELDS (2024) – STUDENT
KATIE PULLING (2024) – STUDENT ALTERNATE
ISABELLYANA DOMINGUEZ (2025) – STUDENT
JASMINE LOCK (2025) – STUDENT ALTERNATE
SARA YOUSSEF (2026) – STUDENT
ASHLEY UNGOR (2026) – STUDENT ALTERNATE

FACILITATORS

JANUARY–MARCH: LINSEY EPPERSON
APRIL–JUNE: ABRIL CASTRO GALAVIZ
MICHELLE SCHICKLING
TRAVIS GARNER
Subcommittee Recommendations to TEPC

**TCCS:**
- Jan 11th
  - Intersessions 2 Block Change Form and Calendar (Situ-LaCasse)
  - Transition to Clerkship Block Change Form (Viscusì)
- Jan 25th
  - Elective Proposal – MED 891D International Away Rotation (Aldulaimi/Koleskì)

**TCMS:**
- Jan 11th
  - Review AY 23–24 Calendar (Garner/Davila)
  - Level 1 Report – Lifecycle (Parikh)
- Jan 25th
  - Exam Review Policy Update and effective Date (Givens/Woolridge)

*All items voting items were approved by the committee via vote after quorum was reached.*
Presentations/Discussions

- Jan 11th
  - Exam Review Policy Update (Givens/Woolridge)
  - Continue discussion on LCME Debrief and TEPC Meeting structure (Woolridge/Daines/Givens)

- Jan 25th
  - Workgroup launching to review the interfaces between discipline directors, block directors, and clerkship directors (Woolridge)
  - Workgroup launching for Level 1 Report structure and review process (Daines/Woolridge)
Subcommittee Recommendations to TEPC

**TCCS:**
- Feb 8th
  - Elective reports for AY 2021–2022 (Warneke)
  - Orth qualifying as core sub-I rotation (Warneke)
  - Clerkship Change Forms (Givens)

**TCMS:**
- Feb 8th
  - Block Change Form – DMH (Woolridge)

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Subcommittee Recommendations to TEPC

TCCS:
- Feb 22nd
  - Student Responsibility Definitions (Discussion and Voting) (Givens)
    - Observe: Student attentively observes patient care and/or the procedure being performed.
    - Assist: Student collaboratively assists with providing patient care and/or performing a procedure under the appropriate supervision.
    - Perform: Student applies knowledge and demonstrates skills necessary to provide patient care and/or perform an indicated procedure under appropriate supervision.
  - Proposed changes to Clerkship Grading Policy (Givens)
  - Clinical Supervision Policy Updates (Givens)

TES:
- Feb 22nd
  - Enrichment Elective Proposal (Landau)

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Presentations/Discussions

- Feb 8th
  - Presentation of the LCME briefing book (Limited Survey Visit Jan. 2024)
MARCH 2023

Subcommittee Recommendations to TEPC

TCMS:
- Mar 8th
  - Level 1 Report—Musculoskeletal (Stanescu)
  - Level 1 Report—Immunity and Infection (Ahmad)
  - PHM Longitudinal Block change form (Eckstein)

PRS:
- Mar 22th
  - Revisions to address LCME findings for Element 9.9 (Givens)
    - Rationale: allow opportunity for students to appear before SPC when their record is up from review for repeating an academic year.
  - Moving the Dismissal policy out of the Grading and Progression Policy (Givens)
    - Rationale: Academic performance is not the only the reason for dismissal, this would be its own stand alone.

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Presentations/Discussions

- Mar 8th
  - Formation of workgroup to develop responses to sections of the LCME Briefing Book (Givens)

- Mar 22nd
  - October 2022 revision to the Faculty Bylaws re: TEPC’s authority. (Givens)
  - Policy addition to students’ course drop (Selma/Sonia)
  - TEPC Workgroups and charges (Givens)
Subcommittee Recommendations to TEPC

TCMS:
- APR 12th
  - Level 1 Report – Nervous System (Khan)

TCCS:
- APR 12th
  - Voting item Geriatric Psychiatry New Elective. (Herron)
  - TCCS: DCI Table 6.2-1. (Garner /Givens)
- APR 26th
  - New Pediatrics Elective – Allergy and Immunology (Dr. Cassel)
  - Updated Assessment of Student Performance Evaluation for Ambulatory Clerkship. (Dr. Jernberg)

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Presentations/Discussions

- APR 12th
  - Independent Student Analysis (Sivertson, Trinh, Royal)

- APR 26th
  - LCME 7.1 Standard Update (Start of the block or Lecture Series) (Givens/Conn)
  - Update on TEPC Briefing Workgroups and Implementation. (Givens)
  - Spring Curriculum Retreat Preview (Givens/Davila)
Subcommittee Recommendations to TEPC

**TCCS:**
- MAY 24th
  - New Elective proposal RADI 850E - Breast Imaging (Chiang)

Presentations/Discussions

- MAY 24th
  - Announce upcoming changes to the clerkship evaluation (Garner)
  - TEPC COM–T Strategic Plan Overview update (Cress)

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GROUP AT LARGE PRESENTATION

Education Program Objectives
(Raquel H. Givens, Haley O’Brien, & Michelle Schickling)

Breakout Session:
Self-Directed Learning and Clinical Reasoning Across the Continuum
(Kate Hughes, Olivia Hung, Saman Nematollahi & Raquel Hernandes Givens)

Breakout Session:
Speed-Chat/Round Robin-15 min rotations
(Clerkship Directors & Discipline Director rotations)

Brainstorm Priority Order of Assessment Methods
(Clerkship Directors)

GROUP AT LARGE PRESENTATION

Large Group Summary for Next steps
Subcommittee Recommendations to TEPC

**TCCS:**
- JUN 7th
  - Supervision of Med Students in Clinical Situations Policy approved (Acuna)

**TCMS:**
- JUN 28th
  - EPOS: Overview of 2023 TEPC Spring Retreat Outcome: Education Program (Schickling)
  - CPR Level 1 Report (Bloom)
  - Annual Discipline Directors Update: Anatomy (Proffitt)

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Presentations/Discussions

- JUN 7th
  - EPOS: Overview of 2023 TEPC Spring Retreat Outcome: Education Program Objectives (EPOS) leading to the MD degree (Schickling)
  - PHM Presentation to TEPC (Eckstein)
  - Professionalism Program report (Coull)

- JUN 28
  - Update on progress in addressing LCME finding re: Element 1.1 Strategic Planning and Continuous Quality Improvement (Hernandez Givens)
TEPC COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP CHANGE

TERM EXPIRING JUNE 2023:
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SAMAN NEMATOLLAHI, MD – MEDICIN – FACULTY

RESIGNATIONS:
SERENA SCOTT, MD, MBA – MEDICINE – FACULTY (SELF REMOVAL)