

DEPARTMENT: Office of Student Affairs
NAME: Student Retention
POLICY NUMBER:
OWNER: Office of Student Affairs
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SCOPE

This policy applies to all students enrolled at the Meritus School of Osteopathic Medicine (MSOM).

PURPOSE

The purpose of this policy is to describe MSOM's commitment to student retention by outlining the support services, interventions, and shared responsibilities that promote student success, professional development, and academic achievement throughout the program.

POLICY

A. Student Retention Policy

MSOM is committed to fostering an environment that promotes student success, persistence, and timely completion of the Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine (D.O.) degree. The institution provides a range of academic and student support services, including academic advising, career counseling, learning specialists, physical and mental health resources, and professional development opportunities, to help students overcome challenges and achieve their educational and professional goals.

Retention efforts at MSOM emphasize early identification of academic or personal difficulties, timely intervention, and proactive engagement with available resources. Students are expected to take responsibility for their academic progress by utilizing support services, maintaining communication with faculty advisors, and adhering to the policies and expectations outlined in the MSOM Academic Catalog and Student Handbook. Through a collaborative approach, MSOM seeks to ensure that all students have the tools, guidance, and encouragement necessary to successfully complete their medical education.