



## Policy Name: UGME Policy on Exemptions, Advanced Standing & Transfers

**Approved By:** MDCM Program Committee

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**Pertinent to:** MDCM Students

**Purpose:** Outline the policy on course exemptions, advanced standings, and transfers for incoming MDCM students.

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### Exemptions from MDCM Program courses

Exemptions from MDCM program courses are not permitted except for IPEA 500 and IPEA 501:

Students who have successfully completed IPEA 500 and/or IPEA 501 during the 2014-2015 academic year or afterward while registered in another program at McGill University (such as Dentistry, Nursing, Occupational Therapy, Physical Therapy, and Speech-Language Pathology) are not expected to repeat these courses. The UGME Student Records team will ensure that the exemption(s) appear on your transcript at the beginning of the academic year. If you do not see them on your transcript by October 15, please contact the [Student Records Coordinator](#).

Students who have successfully completed similar courses at a university other than McGill can request an equivalency to be exempt from these courses.

Please consult the [IPEA 500 AND/OR IPEA 501 Exemption Request Form](#) for the instructions and details.

No exemptions will be granted for IPEA 502 nor IPEA 503, even when a student has previously successfully completed the course during prior studies in another healthcare professional program at McGill University or elsewhere. During IPEA 502 and IPEA 503, students must represent their own profession therefore, completion of the IPEA 502 and IPEA 503 courses for a different professional program does not denote that the student has achieved the course objectives for the current profession.

### Advanced Standing

The MDCM Program does not admit students with advanced standing, except in the following three cases:

- 1- International Medical Graduates (IMG) who are admitted through the IMG 2-year admissions pathway will receive advance standing and will obtain in the MDCM degree in 2 years.

- 2- Students of the [6-year Integrated MDCM-OMFS Residency Program](#) will receive advance standing and will obtain the MDCM degree in 2.5 years.
- 3- A student who was enrolled in Doctor of Dental Medicine (DMD) program at McGill University and subsequently applies, and is accepted, to the MDCM Program will receive advance standing for the MDCM courses successfully completed while in the DMD program.

## Transfers

### Transfers to and from Other Medical Schools

If a student requests to transfer to another medical school, it is the student's responsibility to obtain information on the other school and to undertake the process of application, etc. The Associate Dean will write a supportive letter with documentation only if the student is in good academic standing. Specific grades cannot be released.

The MDCM Program does not consider transfers from other Canadian medical school candidates.

### Transfers between McGill campuses

No medical student will be permitted to transfer from one campus to the other.

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