

Chicago Student Promotions Committee
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UIC COLLEGE OF MEDICINE AT CHICAGO

Chicago Student Promotions Committee (ChiSPC)

Annual Report, 2020-2021

The Chicago Student Promotions Committee is charged to make recommendations to the College Committee on Student Promotions in regard to students' academic progress, promotions in year, eligibility for graduation, graduation honors, leaves of absence, withdrawals, dismissals, and certain instances of misconduct and professionalism.

1. The CSPC is comprised of 30 members, 4 from the basic science curriculum, 18 from the clinical curriculum and 8 student members (2 students from each class). We have met on the 2nd Tuesday of every month, with a quorum present at each meeting (a quorum consists of 12 voting members). The results and recommendations of each meeting were then presented to the College Committee on Student Promotions on the 4th Thursday of each month. We have lost a few members due to term expiration, other obligations, and/or individuals no longer affiliated with the College.
2. The Committee met 14 times during the last 12 months and had a quorum at all meetings (August and May had two meetings).
3. The Committee continued to take steps to ensure confidentiality and impartiality in its decision-making by starting each meeting with remarks about the need for confidentiality and instructions for recusal from any cases in which members have a sensitive relationship or one that could appear to involve a conflict of interest.
4. The Committee continued to work closely with the Office of Student Affairs and the College Registrar in order to track students' progress in each year of the curriculum and in regard to performance on the national licensing exams.
5. The Committee recommended for advancement all students who met the various requirements of each year, and it conducted other routine business, such as recommending that eligible students be given repeat years, leaves of absence as appropriate, and changes in expected date of graduation as appropriate.
6. The Committee also made a number of recommendations for exceptions to College policy, when doing so seemed in the best interests of the students and the College. The Committee declined to make exceptions for some students and recommended their dismissal from the College.
7. In conjunction with the Office of Student Affairs, the Committee continued to make outreach to certain students who had ceased communication with the College in regard to various examinations, leaves of absences, or expected dates of return to the curriculum.
8. The committee would like to highlight the following members for special recognition:
 - Odile David, MD, MPH (Pathology) was acknowledged for accepting the responsibilities of vice-chair of the committee and filling in when Dr. Hobbs was unavailable. Moreover, Dr. David attended 13 of 14 meetings.

- Krishna Chakrabarty, PhD (Biochemistry) was recognized for her exemplary attendance having attended 13 of 14 meetings.
- Rachel Caskey, MD, MAPP (Medicine) was recognized for her exemplary attendance having attended 13 of 14 meetings.
- Hokuto Nishioka, MD (Anesthesiology) was recognized for his exemplary attendance having attended all 14 meetings of the 2020-2021 academic year.

9. 52% of committee members attended at least six meetings throughout the year.

Respectfully submitted,

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Chair, Chicago Student Promotions Committee