## **LMU-DCOM Summer Preparation**

Your priority this summer is to do what you need to **come back rested and energized for your OMS-II year**. How exactly you decide to spend your time is up to you. *Here are suggestions from Academic Support:* 

- Use your course exam averages as a review guide:
  - o <u>Heavy review</u> of areas of weakness (final exam average less than 76%).
    - Consult the Course Directors and faculty about topics you don't understand.
    - Use your resources: Blackboard, Mediasite, Textbooks, Web Resources (Sketchy, Boards and Beyond, Kaplan, etc.).
  - o Moderate to light review of areas with final exam averages higher than 76%.
    - Focused board review material (see some examples below).
    - Focus on the major concepts from those courses.

## • Board Preparation Research

- O Begin to plan *how* you will study for boards:
  - Review available resources and think about which *two* speak to how you learn best.
  - Where do you focus best and how can you prepare that location?
  - Organize your materials from OMS-I courses.
- Your year-end review/second-year prep is a form of board prep you don't know enough at this point to fully dive into board studying and that's okay!

## Recharge

- o Remember why you started medical school.
  - Shadow, conduct informational interviews, read about specialties, etc.
- o Relax! This is going to be your last *free* summer for a while. Celebrate and do some non-academic things.

## **Board Prep Resources**

**Do not attempt to use every resource** you have access to. Narrow them down based on *your* learning preferences. You will get more out of <u>using a few resources well</u> than skimming all of them.

**Board resources do not replace the level of depth from course material.** For example, First Aid is a great compilation of facts but also very simplified. If you do not have a strong foundation in physio, then reviewing the physio section is not going to be helpful. Reserve these quick-review style resources to test yourself on areas you have already studied.

Study Materials:	
All courses	Blackboard, Textbooks, Course Directors, Faculty
Supplemental Aids:	
MGA	BRS Gross Anatomy: Chung, Chung, & Halliday
	Gray's Anatomy Review: Loukas & Carmichael
	Acland's Video Atlas: <a href="http://aclandanatomy.com/">http://aclandanatomy.com/</a>
MFMI & MFMII	BRS Biochemistry & Genetics: Lieberman & Ricer
	Kaplan Biochemistry
	Medical Microbiology: Murray, Rosenthal, & Pfaller
	The Immune System: Parham
	Janeway's Immunology Videos (YouTube)
	https://step1.medbullets.com/ (Immunology)

<sup>\*</sup>If you are remediating a course contact your Director of Academic Support for more information.\*

Histo	http://www.lab.anhb.uwa.edu.au/mb140/
	http://www.histology-world.com/
	http://www.histologyguide.com/slidebox/slidebox.html
Physio	Physiology: Constanzo
	BRS Physiology: Constanzo
	Color Atlas of Physiology: Silbernagl (free eBook in LMU library)
	www.physeo.com
	www.khanacademy.com
Pharm	Pharmacology Examination & Board Review: Katzung & Trevor
	Basic Concepts in Pharmacology: Stringer
	The Pharmacological Basis of Therapeutics: Goodman & Gilman
	Videos from Goodman & Gilman: <a href="https://accessmedicine.mhmedical.com/">https://accessmedicine.mhmedical.com/</a> → multimedia → sort by category → pharmacology
	Case Files Pharmacology 3e: <a href="https://accessmedicine.mhmedical.com/">https://accessmedicine.mhmedical.com/</a> → case files → pharmacology
	*Access Medicine resources are free to LMU students*
Board Resources:	
General Review Materials	First Aid for the USMLE Step 1
	Boards & Beyond https://www.boardsbeyond.com/
	OMT Review by Savarese
	Pathoma https://www.pathoma.com/
	Tip: review the first 3 chapters of Pathoma before OMSII
Commercial Review Courses	Doctors in Training (DIT)
	Kaplan Test Prep (Free for DCOM students)
	Boards Boot Camp
	Wolfpacc
	PASS
Scheduling	CramFighter
	Osmosis