



THE GEORGE WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY

WASHINGTON, DC

MEDICAL STUDENT PERFORMANCE EVALUATION

For (Student's Name) (Date)

IDENTIFYING INFORMATION

(Student's Name) is a fourth year student at The George Washington University School of Medicine and Health Sciences in Washington, D.C.

UNIQUE CHARACTERISTICS

(Student's Name) was not your typical pre-medical student. While many medical school applicants have performed research using techniques such as PCR, knock-out mice, and various forms of radioactive labeling, (Student's Name) studied Buddhist Monks. Indeed, His/her functional neurobiological studies of the meditative state in these unique research subjects is one of the more interesting projects that you will hear about.

(Student's Name) has been, and continues to be, unique in his/her approach to his/her medical studies bringing a wide array of interests and talents to His/her academic preparation for the field. He/she was born and raised in Spokane, Washington, which he/she still considers home.

He/she moved East to attend Georgetown University, graduating in (date) with a Bachelor of Arts degree in Theology and a minor degree in Biology. He/she then matriculated at The George Washington University School of Medicine and Health Sciences in the Fall of (date). During his/her first year, (Student's Name) joined our Medical Education Leadership Track Program. Students enrolled in a Track Program complete a two year series of seminars and workshops related to their chosen discipline and a summer experiential project between the first and second years of medical school. (Student's Name) was the recipient of a summer scholarship from George Washington to pursue a research project with Eastern Maine Healthcare Systems. While there, he/she was involved in the research and development of patient education interventions addressing the treatment and management of pain syndromes. Students in the Track Program also complete a scholarly project related to their discipline and a senior capstone experience. Students in the Medical Education Leadership Track serve as co-course directors for our Students as Educators Program. In this Program, students gain advanced preparation and teaching skills and serve as facilitators for physical diagnosis education for the first and second year medical students. (Student's Name) has also served admirably over the past four years as a curriculum representative for his/her class. He/she has served on a number of important curriculum committees, most recently the Curriculum Management Group, the central committee for the coordination and integration of education at the Medical School. (Student's Name) maturity, reliability, and grasp of medical education theory and practice have been admirable for someone at his/her level of training.

ACADEMIC HISTORY

Table with 2 columns: Description and Date. Rows include: Elected to Alpha Omega Alpha Medical Honors Society, Date of Graduation from Medical School, Date of Initial Matriculation in Medical School.

Table for Transfer Students with 2 columns: Description and Date. Rows include: Date of Initial Matriculation in Prior Medical School, Date of Transfer from Prior Medical School.

Table for Dual/Joint/Combined Degree Students with 2 columns: Description and Date. Rows include: Date of Initial Matriculation in Other Degree Program, Date of Expected Graduation from Other Degree Program, Type of Other Degree Program.

Was this student required to repeat or otherwise remediate any coursework during his/her medical education?	
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Did this student's educational program contain any leave(s) of absence, extension(s), or other gap(s) or break(s), either required or voluntary?	
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Was this student the recipient of any adverse action(s) by the medical school or its parent institution?	
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## **ACADEMIC PROGRESS**

### **Pre-Clinical / Basic Science Curriculum:**

(Student's Name) performed very well in the first two pre-clinical years, passing all courses and achieving Honors grades in many courses.

The Practice of Medicine course extends for one and one-half days per week throughout the first two years. This course contains three main components; a "Doctor-Patient-Society" small group format for learning and practicing interviewing and physical diagnosis skills; the Primary Care Apprenticeship wherein students spend one half day every other week in the office of a faculty or community physician in pediatrics, family medicine, or internal medicine; and the Problem-Based Learning tutorials during which they work on clinical cases in small groups with a faculty facilitator.

#### Doctor-Patient-Society:

Year 1: "It has been a pleasure to work with (Student's Name). He/she works hard to master the required skills. He/she needs to improve a little in the area of participation. I am hopeful he/she will continue his/her good attitude and enthusiasm into next year."

Year 2: "(Student's Name) has done an outstanding job over the past two years. He/she will do quite well during his/her clinical rotations. Good interviewing skills."

#### Problem-Oriented Case-Based Learning:

Year 1: "(Student's Name) performance in PBL I was excellent. (Student's Name) was a valued group member; He/she displayed a clear grasp of complex issues. Further, (Student's Name) insightful discussion of patient suffering in his/her report on anorexia and bulimia nervosa was quite poignant."

Year 2: "(Student's Name) performance in the final semester of PCL II was excellent!"

#### Clinical Apprenticeship:

Year 1: "Very polite and respectful towards the patients. Shows great promise to continue improving with more clinical exposure. Assimilates and organizes knowledge quickly in an experience-appropriate manner (He/she is still a first year medical student)."

Year 2: (passing grade, no comments)

### **Individual Clerkship Evaluations Year III:**

#### **Surgery:**

General Surgery: "His/her fund of knowledge was adequate but with areas of weakness. He/she should read regularly and in-depth to broaden his knowledge base. He/she did fairly well in using information to solve clinical problems. He/she was able to formulate basic plans of evaluation and suggested therapy. His/her oral presentations demonstrated regular improvement and became more organized, clearly presented, and comprehensive. He/she was able to do thorough and accurate histories and physicals despite time constraints. He/she had good recognition of the surgical problems. He/she was above average in his basic surgical skills. He/she demonstrated good interest in being part of the operative team. He/she had a professional attitude and behavior. He/she learned to cope with the demands of a busy service. He/she was always pleasant and related very well to other students, residents, and hospital staff. He/she was respectful of others. He/she related extremely well to patients and demonstrated compassion and concern for their welfare."

Pediatric Plastic Surgery: "He/she was helpful in the operating room and clinical setting. He/she was inquisitive and thorough. He/she was energetic and engaged."

Anesthesiology: "He/she had a solid knowledge of physiology. He/she was inquisitive and took initiative."

Clinical Grade: High Pass/Honors      Exam Grade: High Pass      Overall Grade: High Pass

**Medicine:** "He/she did a lot of research on his own and then educated the team. He/she did complete histories and He/she was good with procedures. He/she had very good clinical skills. He/she could work on developing independent assessments and plans. He/she had superb professional behavior and work habits. He/she was motivated and self-directed. He/she treated all patients with respect. He/she was a very motivated and driven individual yet humble and willing to learn. Overall, his/her strengths were his/her professionalism, interpersonal skills, and attention to detail. Areas for improvement include becoming more confident in his/her own independent assessments and plans."

Clinical Grade: Honors    Exam Grade: Pass    Overall Grade: Honors

**Primary Care:** "He/she had an excellent fund of knowledge and demonstrated continuous reading. He/she did an outstanding job of gathering information and was always able to develop a logical assessment and plan for care. He/she had outstanding communication skills. He/she had excellent history taking skills. His/her physical exams were done with very good technique, logical progression, and with great proficiency. His/her oral and written presentations were well organized, clear, concise, and included all the pertinent positives and negatives. He/she had an outstanding work ethic. He/she was extremely hard working and very self-directed. He/she was extremely professional towards the staff and patients and had a very pleasant personality. He/she was a team player who worked well others."

Clinical Grade: Honors    Exam Grade: Honors    Overall Grade: Honors

**Psychiatry:** "He/she was almost immediately at ease with his/her patients and had a strong knowledge base in addition to his/her clinical skills. He/she was able to use academic resources and apply them to his/her clinical presentations. He/she was dependable, hard working, and stayed late when the clinical load was large. He/she knew his/her patients and was a reliable source of information for the entire treatment team."

Clinical Grade: Honors    Exam Grade: Honors    Overall Grade: Honors

**Pediatrics:**

**Ambulatory Pediatrics:** " He/she demonstrated an outstanding fund of knowledge and continuous use of the medical literature.

He/she showed excellent organizational skills and was always able to develop a logical assessment and treatment plan. He/she had outstanding history taking skills. He/she was very proficient at physical exams. He/she demonstrated steady improvement in the efficiency of his/her exams. His/her oral and written presentations were always clear, concise, and included all pertinent positives and negatives. He/she demonstrated organizational skills when presenting cases. He/she had a superb work ethic. He/she was extremely pleasant and very professional. He/she was a true team player. He/she was punctual and willing to take on extra responsibilities. He/she was enthusiastic and hard working."

**Inpatient Pediatrics:** "He/she demonstrated a solid fund of knowledge, above what is often seen in the third year. He/she also had a strong ability to research his/her patients and accurately present what he/she learned about the clinical situation. He/she worked diligently on organizing his/her data and did so quickly resulting in well organized instructive presentations. He/she was able to identify pertinent positive and negative data and interpret its relevance to the case rather than simply reporting data. He/she was able to formulate an accurate assessment of his/her patient and explain on rounds what were his/her leading diagnoses and how they would be investigated or evaluated. His/her history and physical exam skills were excellent and thorough. He/she worked diligently. He/she presented confidently and included the family on family centered rounds. His/her write-ups were well organized and thorough. They demonstrated his in-depth understanding of his/her patients and also common pediatric problems and how they are evaluated. The attendings and residents found (Student's Name) to be consistently enthusiastic, interested, and a team player. He/she was always very professional and respectful towards team members and families. He/she was appreciated by all as a helpful, motivated team member who was reliable and took responsibility for his/her patients."

Clinical Grade: High Pass/Honors    Exam Grade: Honors    Overall Grade: Honors

**Obstetrics and Gynecology:** "He/she had an above average knowledge base. He/she demonstrated well organized clinical thinking and was able to synthesize data into reasonable plans. He/she was a great help in the operating room. He/she was willing to take part in surgery. He/she was very perceptive on subsequent steps in the surgical procedure. He/she was able to assist above a student level. He/she had thorough interviews and was able to identify pertinent findings. He/she was very comfortable at the patient's bedside. He/she prepared concise and well organized histories and post-operative notes. He/she gave a presentation on ectopic pregnancy that was thorough and a handout that was well organized. He/she worked hard and did his work in a timely fashion. He/she was compassionate and very enthusiastic. He/she showed outstanding initiative on labor and delivery. He/she was a very helpful member of the team who was always professional with staff, patients and colleagues. Areas of strength were his diligence, enthusiasm, careful and thorough physical exams, and clearly written notes. Areas for improvement included his/her differential diagnoses and his/her focused history and physical presentations."

Clinical Grade: Honors    Exam Grade: Honors    Overall Grade: Honors

**Individual Clerkship Evaluations Year IV:**

**Acting Internship in Internal Medicine:** "He/she has an outstanding knowledge of disease, pathophysiology, diagnosis and treatment. He/she has superior organization skills and was always able to logically formulate a description of the clinical information.

He/she had an outstanding ability to reach a logical assessment of the patient and their problems. He/she had an excellent ability to develop a comprehensive differential diagnosis and was astute at organizing considerations in a logical order. He/she had an outstanding ability to develop a logical plan of care which included sophisticated plans for treatment and diagnosis. (Student's Name) was spot-on in terms of his critical reasoning skills and applying his/her superior fund of knowledge to a clinical setting. His/her oral presentations were very clear and exceptionally well organized. All pertinent information was presented concisely and pertinent positives and negatives were included. His/her written presentations had outstanding clarity and superior organization with an excellent summary of history, physical, assessment and plan. He/she was punctual, respects authority and works well with others. Overall, (Student's Name) is an excellent teacher. I had the opportunity to observe him/her on several occasions give short talks to the team and not only did the team learn but I did as well. He/she is engaging, caring, thoughtful and a modest and mature young man."

Final Grade: Honors

**Anesthesiology:** Completed all course requirements.

Final Grade: Honors

\*\*\*\*\*ADDENDUM ADDED (Date)\*\*\*\*\*

**Individual Clerkship Evaluations Year IV:**

**Neurology:** Completed all course requirements.

Final Grade: High Pass

**Pain Management\*:** Completed all course requirement.

Final Grade: High Pass

**Electrocardiography:** "He/she has an excellent fund of knowledge and clinical skills. His/her presentations are outstanding." Final Grade: High Pass

**Emergency Medicine:** Completed all course requirements.

Final Grade: High Pass

**Extramural Emergency Medicine:** "He/she is open and honest and says what He/she intends to do and does it. Sets deadlines and delivers them. He/she sets high expectations of self and others. He/she is smart, hardworking and ethical."

Final Grade: High Pass

**Extramural Anesthesiology** " He/she has an excellent mind for anesthesia and sees the big picture. He/she has good skills and picks up techniques quickly. He/she has excellent communication skills. He/she is very professional. Residents love working with him/her. He/she shows excellent commitment."

Final Grade: Honors

*\*Indicates a 2 week course*

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**SUMMARY**

(Student's Name) has put together an outstanding academic performance at George Washington marked by superior academic achievement in both the pre-clinical and clinical curriculum. This is complemented by his/her excellent work in the Medical Education Leadership Track and his/her important service to the institution as a Senior Curriculum Representative. He/she should develop into an outstanding member of his/her residency training program where both his/her advanced educational skills as well as his/her strong academic preparation should help him/her develop into a leader.

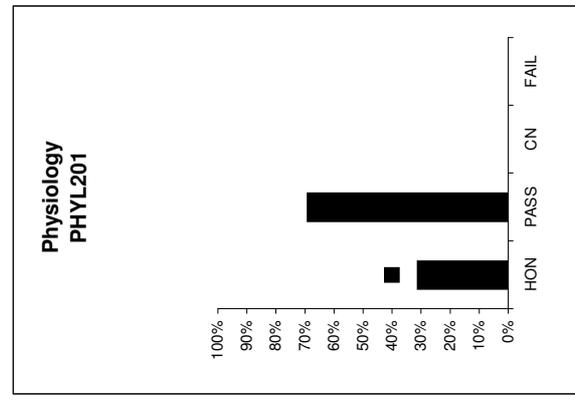
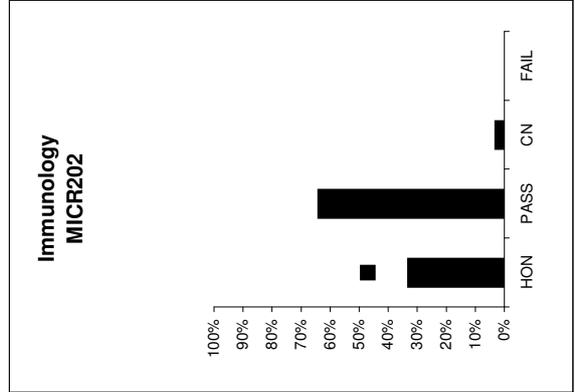
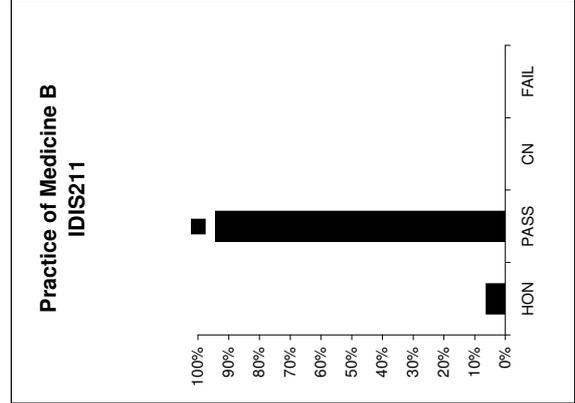
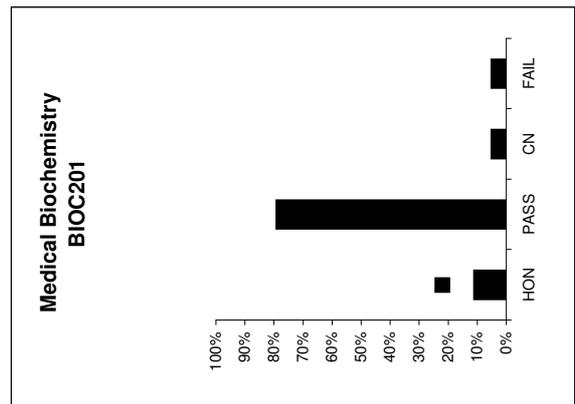
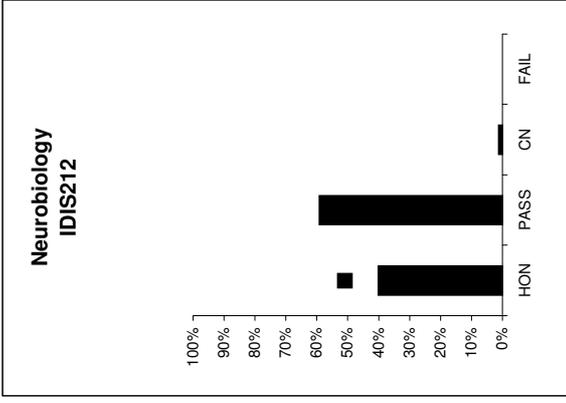
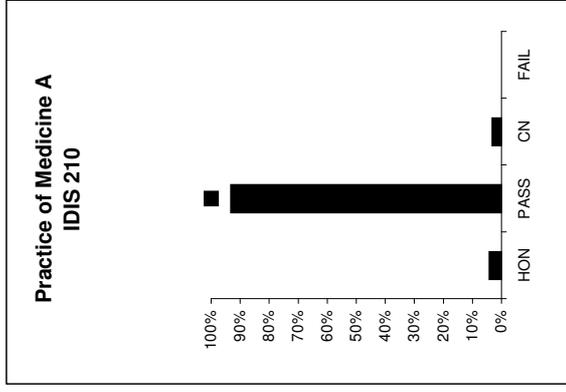
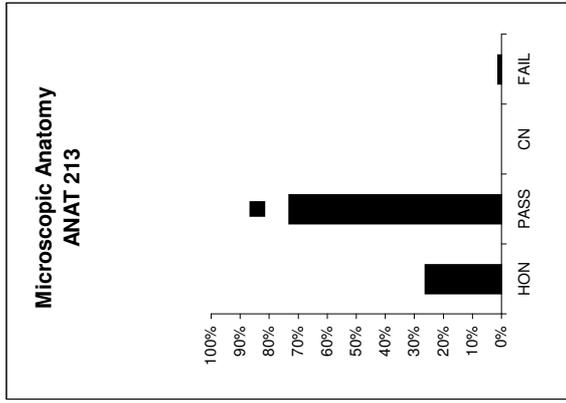
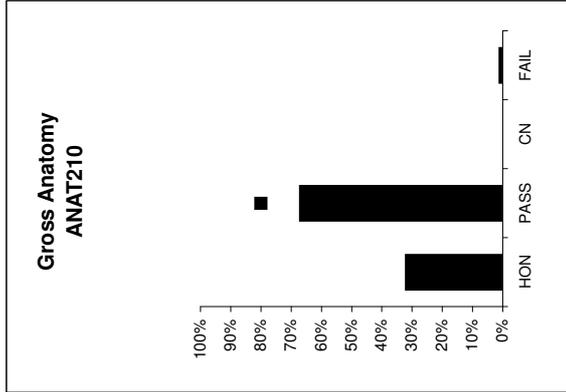


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## Appendix A: First Year Courses

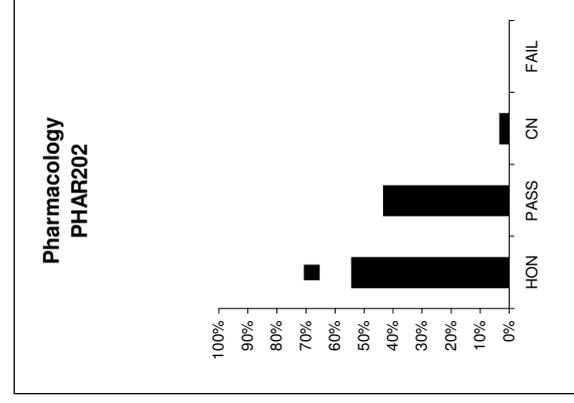
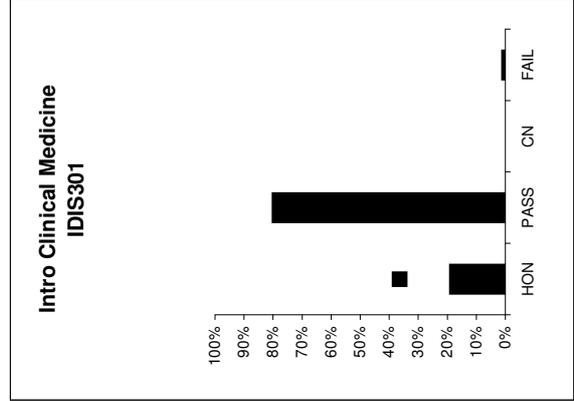
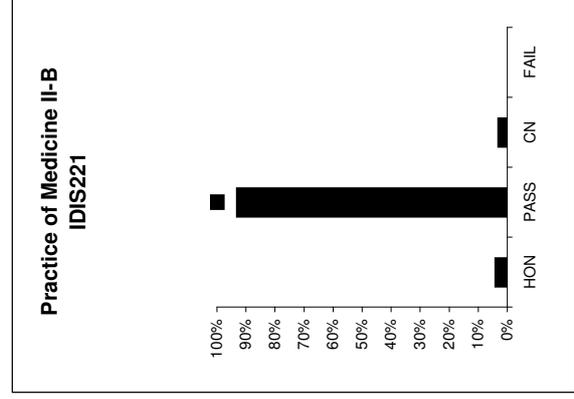
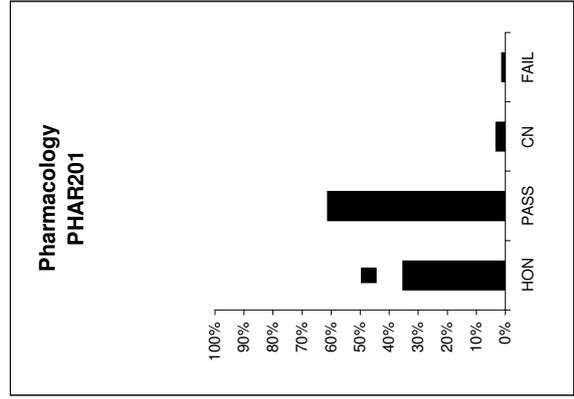
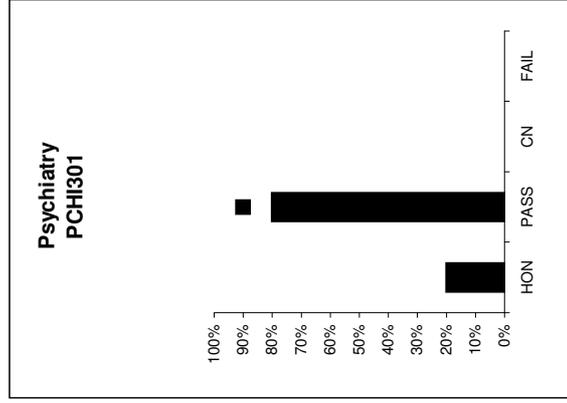
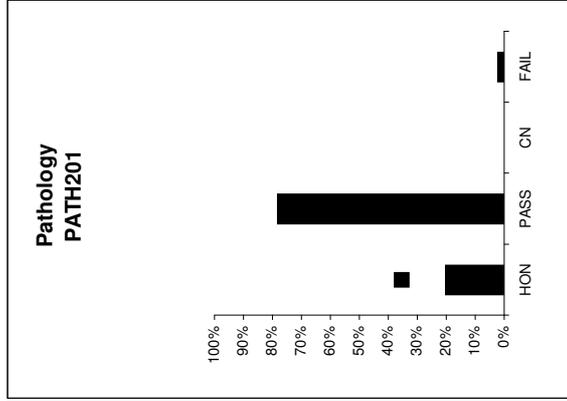
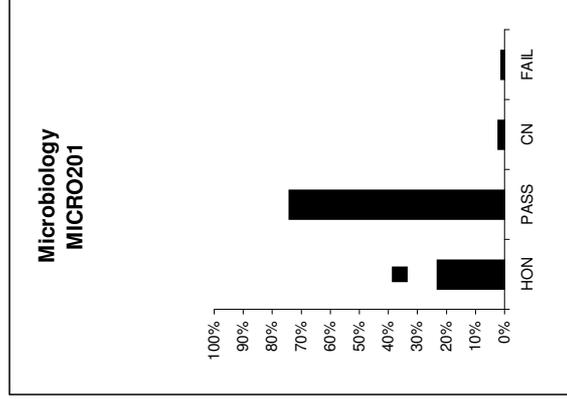
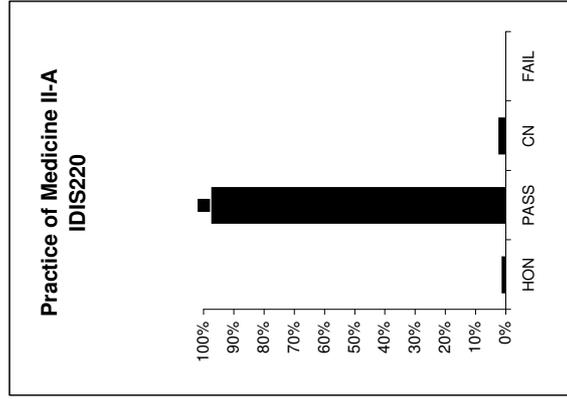
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Student Name:  
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## Appendix A: Second Year Courses

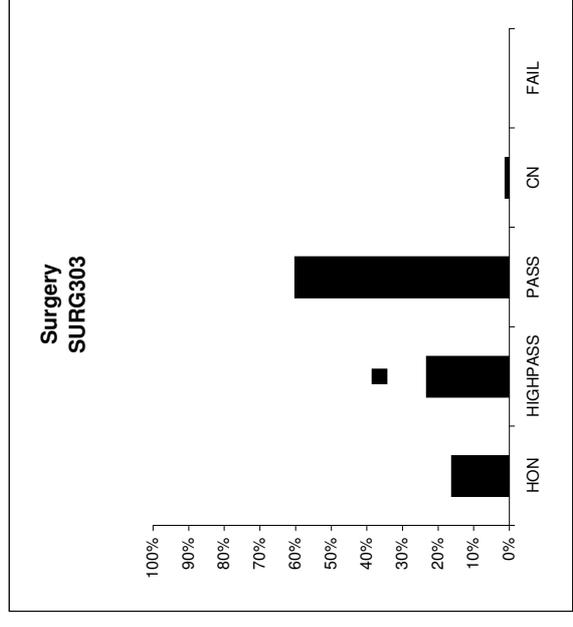
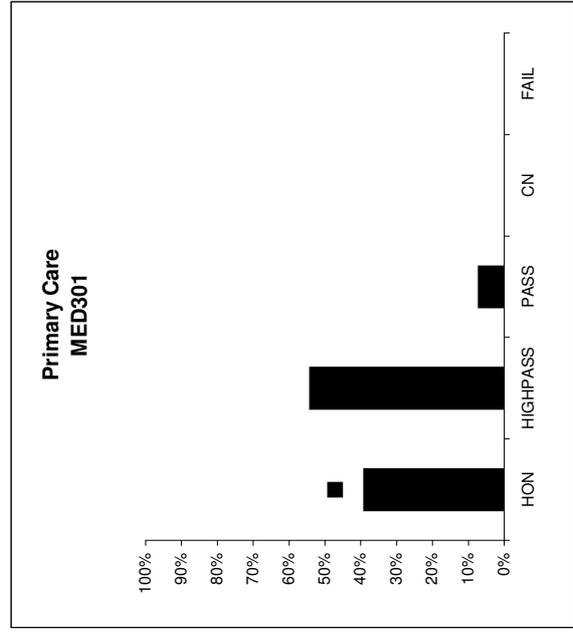
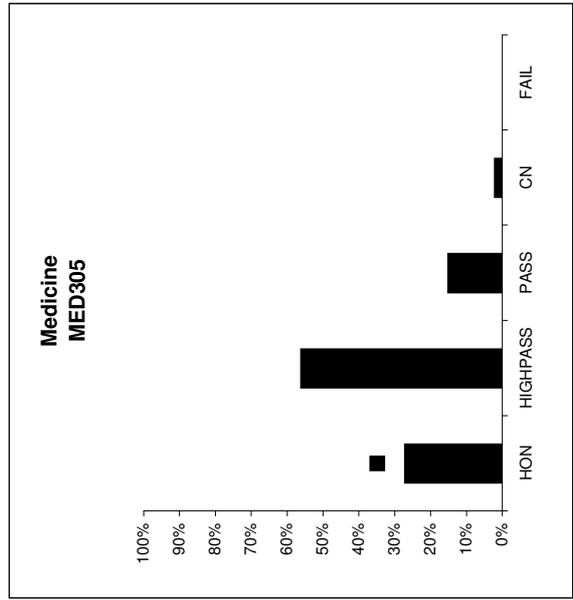
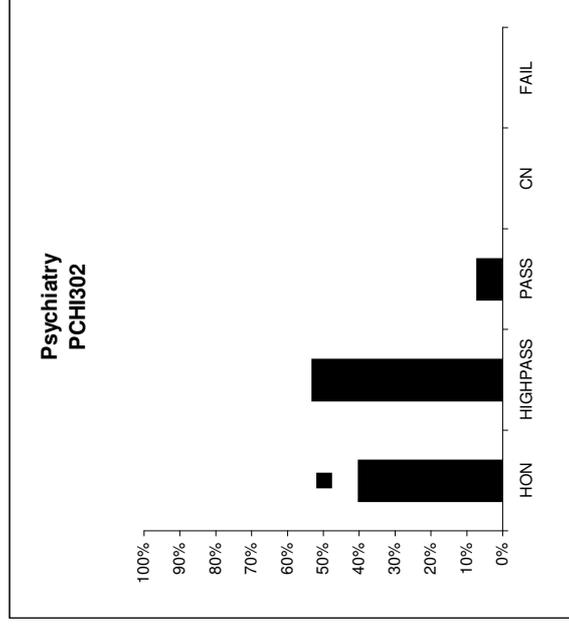
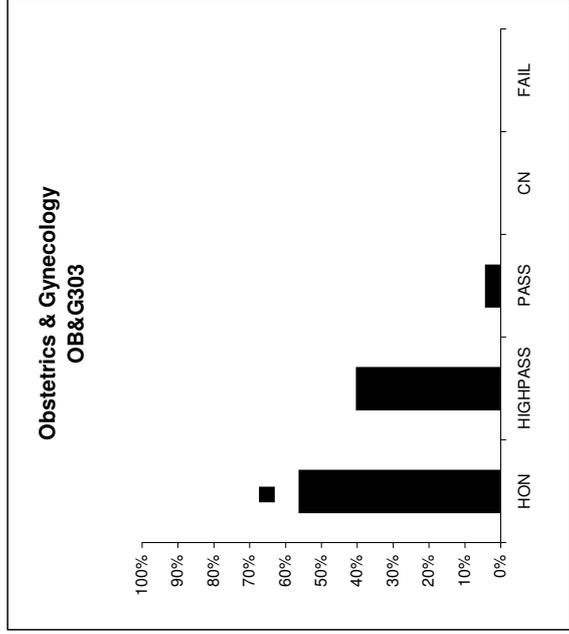
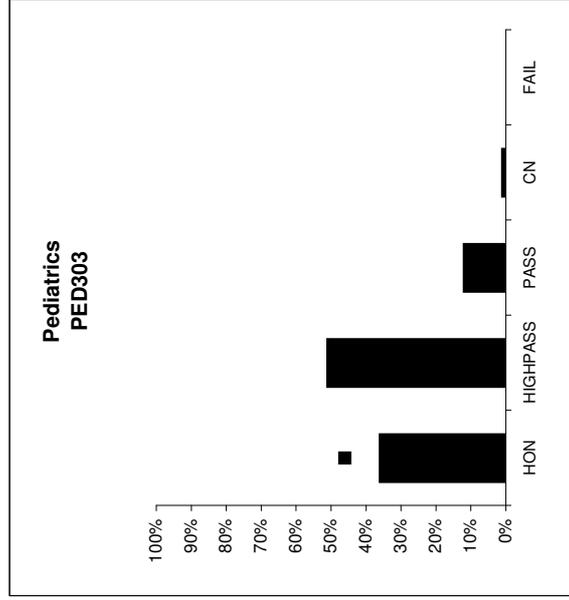
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Student Name:  
(Student's Name)

## Appendix B: Third Year Clerkships

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APPENDIX C  
ASSESSMENT OF PROFESSIONAL ATTRIBUTES AND BEHAVIORS

The professional attributes and behaviors of all students at The George Washington University School of Medicine and Health Sciences are assessed systematically during their clinical clerkships. The Committee on the Undergraduate Medical Curriculum and the Medical Student Evaluation Committee have adopted a modified version of the AAMC-recommended professionalism evaluation form (see [www.aamc.org/members/gsa/professionalism\\_%20assessment\\_form.pdf](http://www.aamc.org/members/gsa/professionalism_%20assessment_form.pdf) )

Our complete evaluation form can be viewed at:  
[www.gwumc.edu/smhs/students/pdf\\_files/clerkship\\_eval.pdf](http://www.gwumc.edu/smhs/students/pdf_files/clerkship_eval.pdf)

Our assessment instrument evaluates the following attributes and behaviors on a 5 point scale. “5” indicates satisfactory evidence of professionalism in the relevant domain. Students given a rating of “1-4” are considered to have demonstrated less than satisfactory professionalism in the relevant domain. If less than satisfactory evaluations are received, the reason for the unsatisfactory evaluation MUST be described in the clerkship narrative.

- Truthfulness
- Adherence to Ethical Principles
- Responsibility
- Teamwork
- Compassion/Empathy
- Commitment to Competence and Excellence: Motivation and Drive
- Respect for Patients: Relationships, Autonomy, and Confidentiality

The following summarizes the results of the professionalism evaluations for:

**(Student's Name)**

All professionalism evaluations were satisfactory.

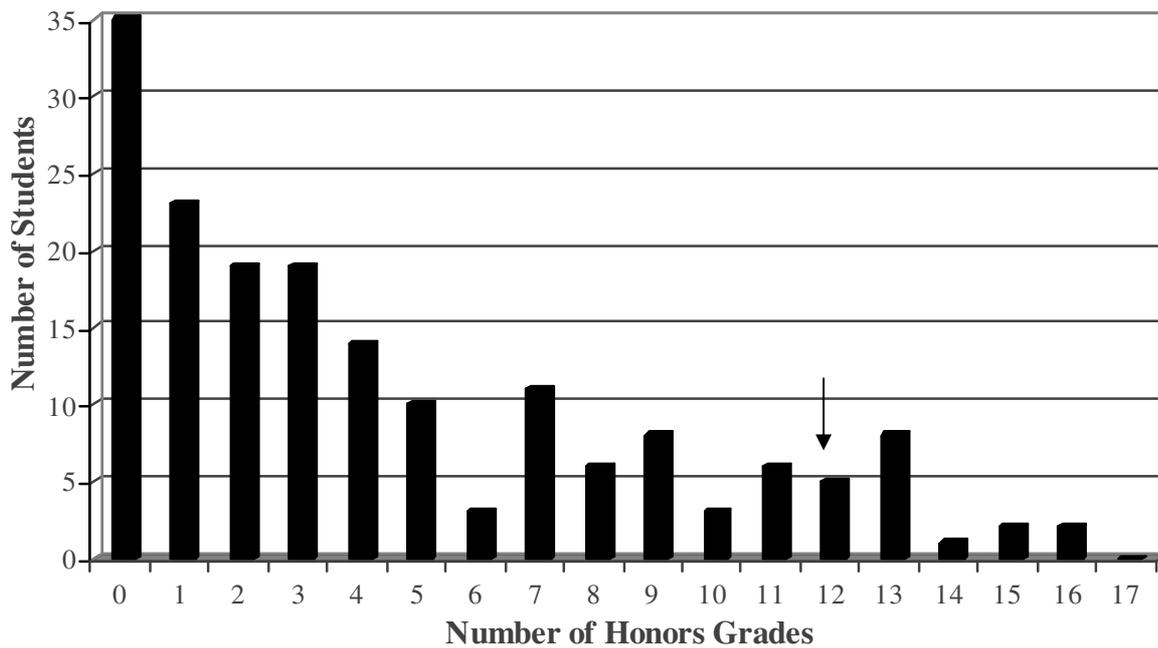
Unsatisfactory evaluations were identified in the following clerkships (see clerkship narratives for details):

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**APPENDIX D:  
SUMMARY COMPARATIVE  
DATA CLASS OF (Date)**

**The George Washington University School of Medicine and  
Health Sciences: Class of (Date)**

Chart: Total Number of Honors Grades for Class of (Date) in Major Courses through year 3 (17 Possible Honors) ↓ indicates student's standing



\* Honors grades were tabulated for GW Medical School Courses with at least three credit hours.

## Appendix E

Medical School Information Page

### The George Washington University School of Medicine and Health Sciences Washington, DC

#### Special programmatic emphases, strengths, mission/goal(s) of the medical school:

The George Washington University School of Medicine and Health Sciences has as its goal the preparation of humanistic physicians with strong clinical skills. The unique situation of the school's location in the nation's capitol permits students many opportunities to pursue interests in research, community service, and leadership. We admit a highly diverse group of students with wide-ranging interests and accomplishments.

#### Special characteristics of the medical school's educational program:

In addition to the standard four year MD program, GW sponsors dual BA/MD and MD/MPH programs in which up to 15% of each class is enrolled. We also sponsor a decelerated program for the first year in which selected students with unique or non-traditional academic preparation but high promise for the practice of medicine are offered enrollment

#### Average length of enrollment (initial matriculation to graduation) at the medical school:

Approximately 90-95% of each entering class completes their medical education within four years of admission.

#### Description of the evaluation system used at the medical school: .

George Washington utilizes an Honors/Pass/Conditional/ Fail (High Pass for Clinical Years) grading system. A conditional grade indicates isolated areas of weakness that can be remedied without repetition of the entire course. Clinical skills assessment is carried out repeatedly through the first three years utilizing standardized patients. These evaluations are incorporated into course grades in the Practice of Medicine course or the relevant clinical clerkship. **GW does not maintain a class ranking system nor do we 'rank' students by the use of single summative adjectives. Indeed, we believe that it is impossible to distill a student's many characteristics and skills into a single adjective. Nevertheless, we strive to use adjectives carefully and accurately, reflecting the relative performance of a student compared to their peers.** We are reluctant to use superlatives in describing most students. Clinical evaluations are edited for grammar and length. Specific comments regarding strengths and areas for improvement are always incorporated.

Medical school requirements for successful completion of USMLE Step 1, 2 (check all that apply):

USMLE Step 1:

- Required for promotion
- Required for graduation
- Required, but not for promotion/graduation
- Not required

USMLE Step 2

- Required for promotion
- Required for graduation
- Required, but not for promotion/graduation
- Not required

Medical school requirements for successful completion of Objective/Observed Structured Clinical Evaluation (OSCE) at medical school. OSCEs are used for (check all that apply):

- Completion of course
- Completion of clerkship
- Completion of third year
- Graduation
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Utilization of the course, clerkship, or elective director's narrative comments in composition of the MSPE.

The narrative comments contained in the attached MSPE can best be described as (check one):

- Reported exactly as written
- Edited for length or grammar, but not for content
- Edited for content or included selectively

Utilization by the medical school of the AAMC "Guidelines for Medical Schools Regarding Academic Transcript." This medical school is:

- Completely in compliance with Guidelines' recommendations
- Partially in compliance with Guidelines' recommendations

Exceptions:

- Not in compliance with Guidelines' recommendations

Description of the process by which the MSPE is composed at the medical school (including number of school personnel involved in the composition of the MSPE).

Each MSPE is written by one of two physician deans at the Associate or Assistant level. All letters are reviewed for consistency by the Senior Associate Dean for Academic Affairs.

Students are permitted to review the MSPE prior to its transmission:

- Yes
- No