**Length of Time to Complete Degree**

The standard MD program at EUSOM takes four years to complete; however, students may apply to postpone graduation for a year if they:

1. Want to obtain another degree (e.g., MPH)
2. Want to spend a year doing a scholarly project (or extended Discovery)
3. Want to take an additional year of formal coursework

Students who need time off for extenuating medical/personal issues are advised to take a Leave of Absence (LOA) from medical school (Section 9). Students may be eligible to be enrolled at EUSOM for additional periods for purposes of remediation or completion of degree requirements.

Students who plan to obtain the MD degree only must complete all academic requirements of the MD degree within no more than six academic years from the date of matriculation. Approval for a well-planned fifth year is required. The academic records of students who are approaching the deadline of “Time to Degree” for the MD degree will be reviewed by the Registrar and the Progress and Promotions Committee, with enough notice to enable the student to complete the requirement by the end of “Time to Degree”.

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