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Academic and Career Guidance during the Clerkship Program

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Key issues

- Academic
 - COMLEX examinations
 - Clerkship rotations
- Specialty selection
- Residency application
- Match
- Troubleshooting

Support offered

- “Board” preparation (COMLEX)
- Residency Preparation Program
- Review of personal statements and CV’s
- Application and interview strategies
- Assistance with addressing “red flags”
- Guidance on residency options

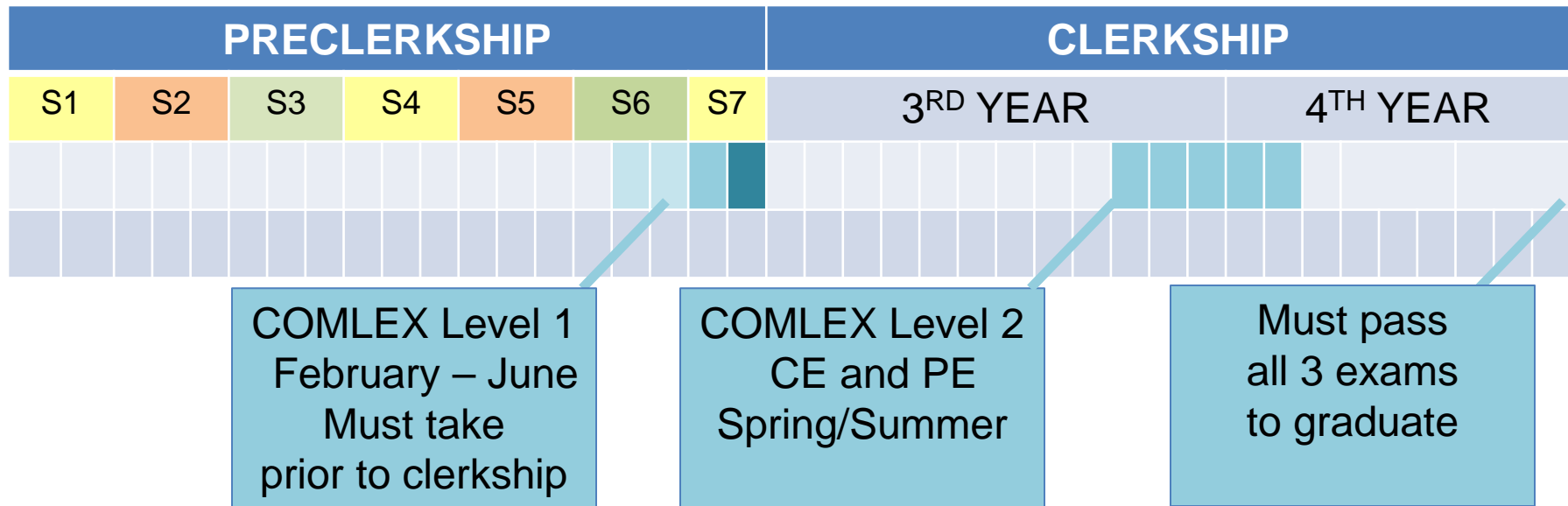
COMLEX

- Comprehensive Osteopathic Medical Licensure Examination
- Administered by National Osteopathic Board of Medical Examiners (NBOME)
- Exam series
 - COMLEX Level 1: Basic science
 - COMLEX Level 2 - CE: Cognitive Evaluation
 - COMLEX Level 2 - PE: Performance Evaluation
 - COMLEX 3: During first GME year

MSUCOM policies relating to COMLEX

- Must *take* COMLEX 1 to enter Clerkship
- Must *pass* COMLEX 1 prior to S9 (Spring) to continue in Clerkship
- Must pass all 3 exams (COMLEX 1, 2-CE and 2-PE) to graduate
- Failure to pass any COMLEX exam after three attempts → academic dismissal

COMLEX Time Line



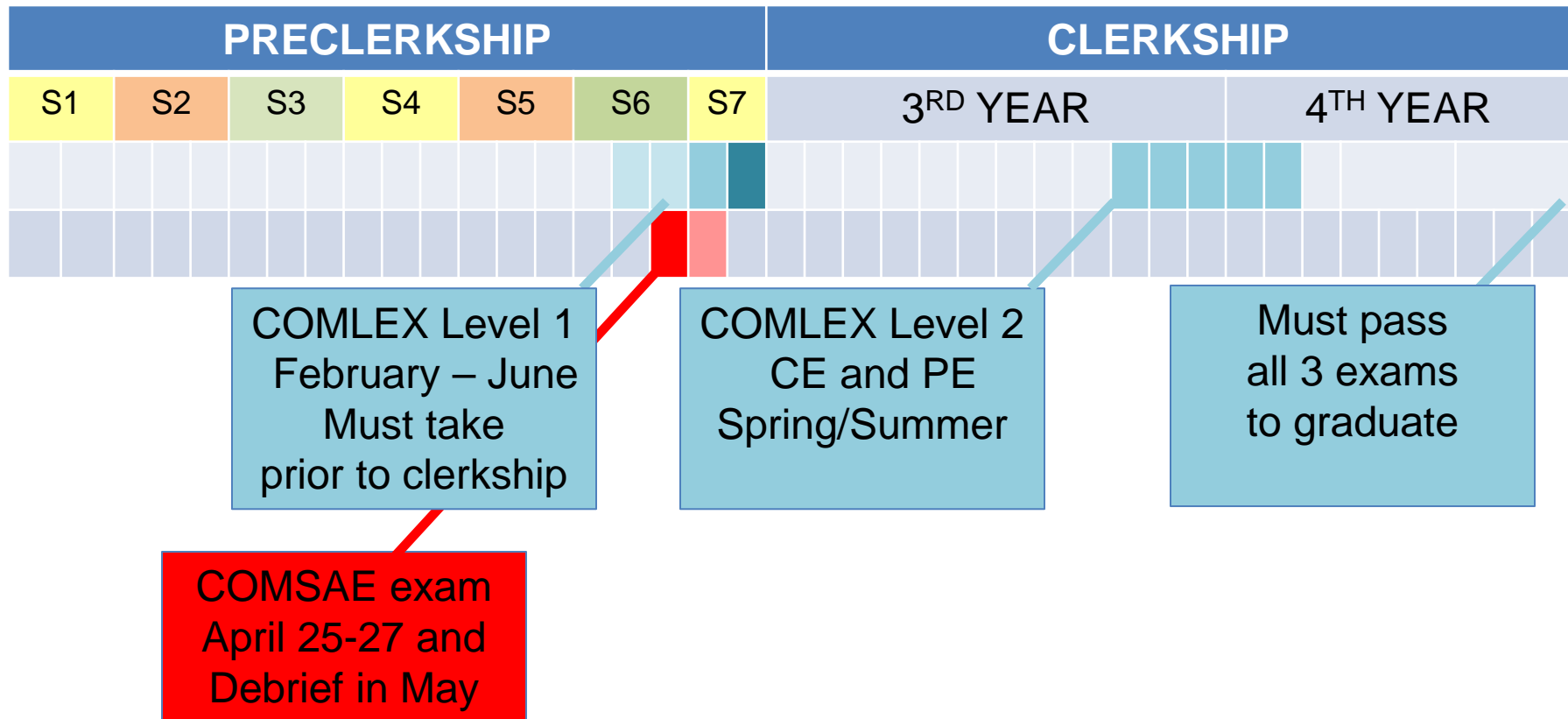
COMSAE

- Comprehensive Osteopathic Medical Self Assessment Examination
- 200 question, 4 hours, online
- Benefits
 - Testing format and content
 - Performance report
 - Predictive of COMLEX score

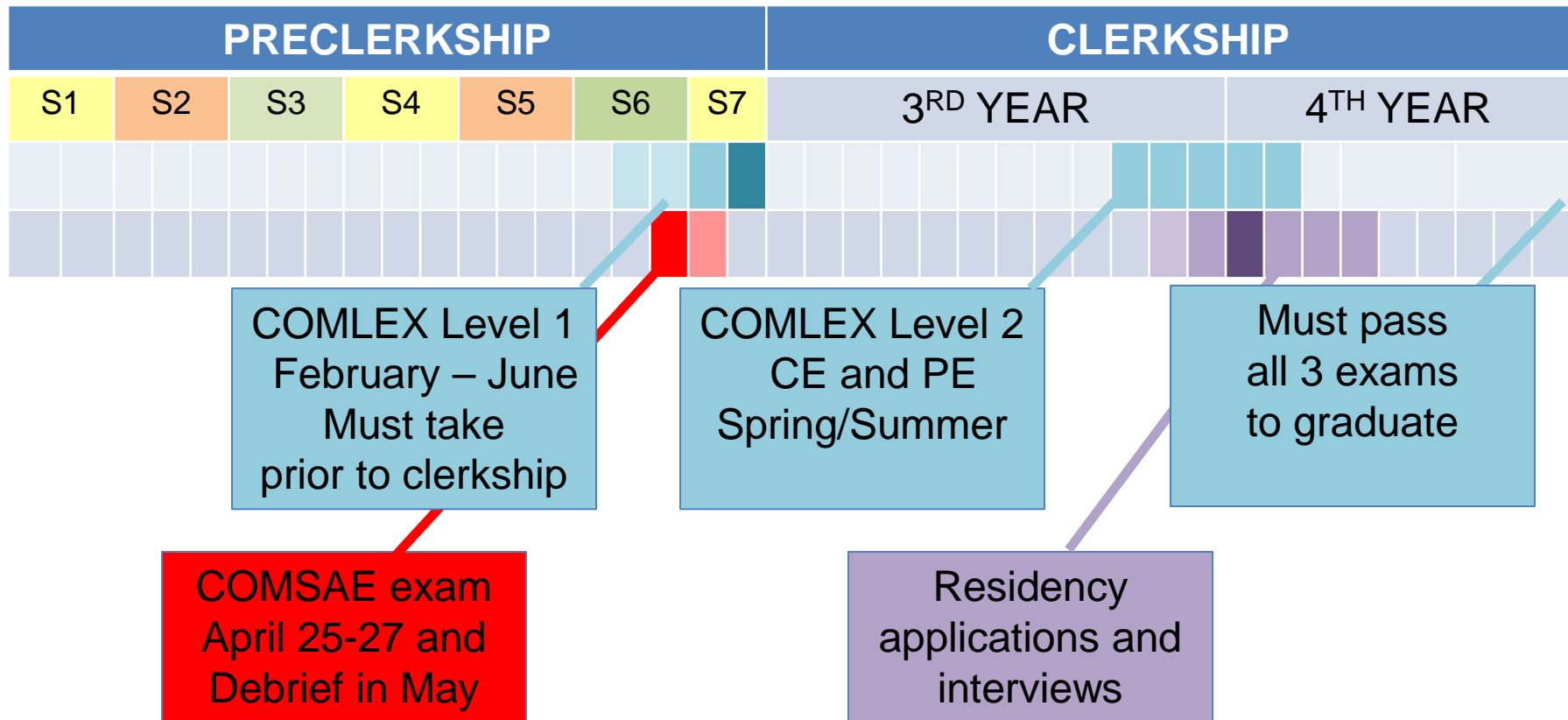
COMSAE

- MSUCOM requirement beginning with Class of 2018
 - All students - mandatory COMSAE/COMLEX prep event in January
 - Students below the 50th percentile at end of S5 will be **required** to take a proctored COMSAE at one of the three sites on April 25-27
 - Students ranking above the 50th percentile may elect to take COMSAE
 - Cut scores
 - ≥ 425 → student may schedule COMLEX 1
 - < 425 → student must attend COMSAE debriefing in May, then may schedule COMLEX 1

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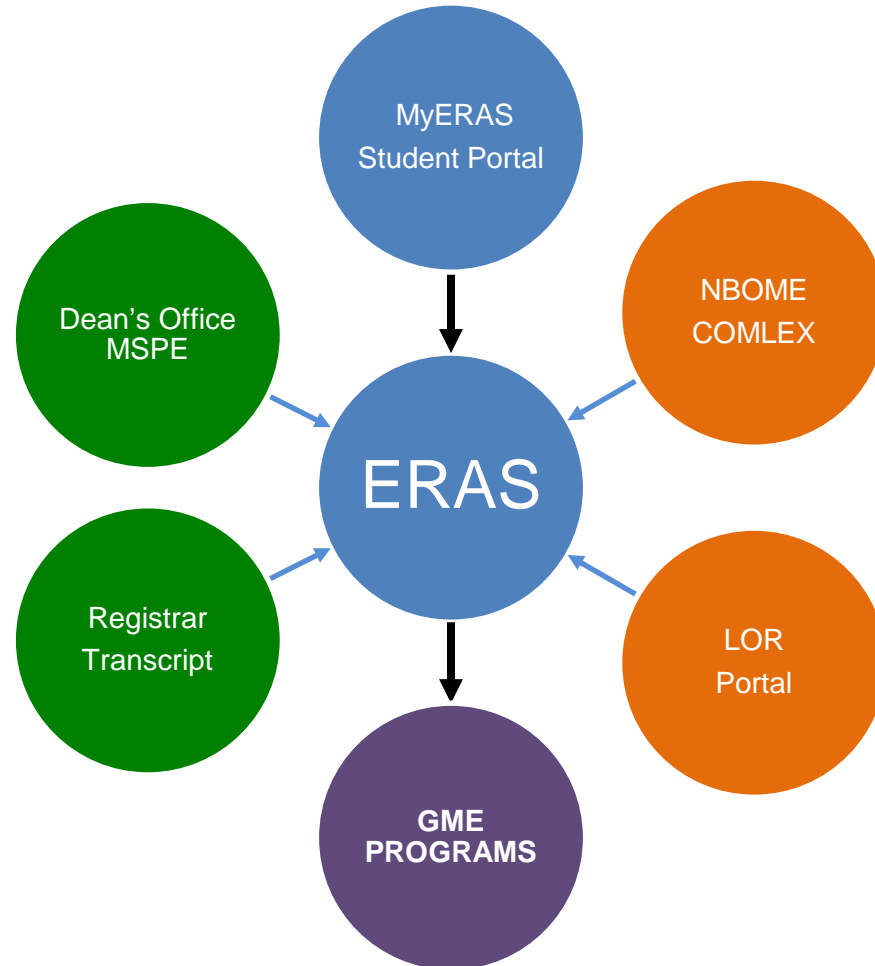


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ERAS

Electronic Residency Application Service



Application Timeline

- April ERAS registration opens
- July DO students may apply to AOA programs
- September DO and MD may students apply to ACGME programs
- October MSPE released to programs
- January Rankings for osteopathic match submitted
- February Osteopathic match results and scramble
Rankings for ACGME match (NRMP) submitted
- March NRMP match results and scramble
- July Start of GME academic year