Student Getting Started: MedU Cases

What is MedU?

MedU is used to supplement clerkship curriculums with over 150 virtual patient cases. These interactive cases are designed to build clinical reasoning skills in addition to knowledge and require students to be engaged with the virtual case through analyzing histories, physicals, and test results as well as completing assessments, quizzes, and differential diagnoses. Each clerkship uses MedU differently. Please contact your clerkship director with questions on expectations for completing cases. If you have technical difficulties, please contact ask.librarian@med.wmich.edu.

Register

To access cases, register for a Student account:

2. Click on Sign In
3. Click on Register
4. Select “I am registering as a: Student” and click OK
5. Fill our the personal information using your WMed email address.

6. An confirmation email will be sent to your WMed email. You can then get started using the cases! All cases are linked to in the Clerkships Guide: http://libguides.med.wmich.edu/Clerkships

- Simple contains the Internal Medicine cases
- fmCases contains the Family Medicine cases
- CLIPP contains the Pediatric cases
- WISE-MD contains the Surgery modules
- CORE contains the Radiology cases
- CARE contains Addiction and Recovery modules
Cases

Each case consists of multiple pages or “cards” (on average 23) containing information important to the diagnosis and management of the patient(s). The ‘Case Summary’ card appears at the end of each case. You must click past this card to the “Summary of your case session” screen in order for the system to consider the case completed.

To select other cases, click on your name in the upper right hand corner and click on Go to Menu. Click on Player. MedU will then let you select another course or case within a course.
Engagement

Each MedU case includes an engagement meter to give you and your instructors an idea of how engaged you are in the learning process. This is not a grade but some instructors might reassign the case to you if your engagement score falls below green or yellow. Talk with your clerkship director about expectations.

The more you interact with the case the more likely you will be able to keep the engagement score green! To keep engaged use the tools and resources in the case: record key findings, list and then reorder potential diagnoses, write summary statements, and take quizzes. Instructors will be able to read your summary statement entries and give you feedback. The engagement meter updates as the case unfolds.

Most cases take between 30-40 minutes to complete.
Other Resources

For more helpful suggestions, tips, and tricks, check out MedU’s resources for Students: http://www.med-u.org/student-community