

Acronyms @ Case

Most “High-Yield” Acronyms!

- **BRB** - Biomedical Research Building – *The building in between the medical school and the hospital. The BRB cafeteria is located on the first floor.*
- **FCM** - Foundations of Clinical Medicine (Includes: PD, CPCP, Tuesday Seminars, Communication Workshops, OSCE) – *A.K.A Block 8, the longitudinal block that involves everything done in the clinic and the Tuesday morning seminars.*
- **IQ** - Inquiry Groups (PBL Sessions) – *The small groups on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday where cases are reviewed, and where learning objectives are created and discussed.*
- **LOs** - Learning Objectives – *The points or topics created during IQ cases on Monday that help organize research and discussions later in the week.*
- **MCQ** - Multiple Choice Questions – *Due every week on Saturday, they are multiple choice questions that review the previous weeks material. Due at 12pm on Saturday along with the SEQ.*
- **MSG** – Medium Sized Groups – *Prepare and present on questions provided to you with your current IQ group and another IQ group*
- **PD1,2,3** – Physical Diagnosis *The class where you will learn how to examine a patient and what you can learn from a physical exam*
- **SEQ** - Short Essay Questions – *Done every week with the MCQs. These are short response questions with a clinical vignette. They have between 1-6 subparts. Due at 12pm every Saturday.*
- **TBL** – Team Based Learning – *Read short vignettes and answer multiple choice questions with your current IQ group and 3-4 other groups.*
- **SSEQ** - Summative Synthesis Essay Questions – *The end of block essay test. A 5-6 hour test that generally has 4-5 questions with 4-5 subparts. They are held on the Thursday of exam week (except in block 1).*
- **EBIQ** – Evidence Based Inquiry – *IQ activity that occurs once a week where a group member presents a journal article in 3-5 minutes to the IQ group.*
- **GARQs** – Gross Anatomy and Radiology Questions – *The end of block written portion of the anatomy exam. Questions are given out around midblock and answers can be researched prior to test. On exam day ~4 questions will be selected at random and you will have two hours to complete.*

Other Less utilized Abbreviations (But still USED!)

- **AI** - Acting Internship – *Done either 3rd or 4th year of med school where you assume internship responsibilities for a month or two.*
- **CCF** - Cleveland Clinic Foundation – *“The Clinic” or The Cleveland Clinic*
- **CCLCM** - Cleveland Clinic Lerner College of Medicine – *Sometimes called the Clinic Program, it is the other group of medical students at Case. They have a five year program.*
- **CPCP** - Community Patient Care Preceptorship – *Done in either the spring of M1, the summer after M1, or Fall of M2; once a week you work with a physician taking histories and giving physicals to work on your clinical skills.*
- **CSR** - Committee of Student Representatives – *Student governing body; funds other student groups and is the liaison between students and faculty*
- **CWRU** - Case Western Reserve University – *The best medical school in the nation.*
- **HSL** - Health Sciences Library – *Library that is found on the 1st floor of the medical school*
- **ISC** - Intersociety Council– *A group dedicated to student life; plans and coordinates the Society Olympics as well as other student events/parties and maintains the game and society rooms.*
- **KSL** - Kelvin Smith Library, the main undergraduate library – *Located at the intersection of Adelbert Rd and Euclid Ave, near Severance Hall and Thwing.*
- **MSTP** - Medical Scientist Training Program – *MD/PhD Program*
- **OSCE (MOSCE)** – (Mock) Objective Structured Clinical Examination - *a physical exam you do with standardized patients to evaluate your physical examination skills*
- **SCA** – Student Committee of Admissions *The awesome group of students who helps with admitting the next year’s class, and organizes campus tours and visits. Also responsible for Second Look Weekend.*
- **SCME** - Student Committee on Medical Education – *The mediators between the students and faculty – they work closely with the faculty, using feedback from students, to help improve and modify the curriculum.*
- **SP** – Standardized Patient - *The actors who allow you to learn the physical exam on them.*
- **SOM** - School of Medicine
- **UH** - University Hospitals Case Medical Center– *The main hospital connected to the school of medicine.*
- **VA/VAMC** – Veterans’ Affairs/Veteran's Affairs Medical Center – *A smaller hospital located west of the medical school where RAMP, Clinical Immersion, and CPCP may be held.*
- **VM** - Virtual Microscope – *Used for histopathology, it is the online microscope program that has both normal and pathological slides.*
- **WR2** - Western Reserve 2 Curriculum – *The current medical school curriculum.*
- **CMM** - CaseMED Minute – *Student group that works with faculty to produce videos related to block material.*