Use of Education Resources

First Choice?
Domestic students most often cited online question banks and faculty provided materials as their top resources for course study.

International students most often cited textbooks (print/electronic).

Domestic students were most likely to be provided with access to:
- UpToDate: 73%
- eBooks: 68%
- Clinical Key: 51%
- Access Medicine: 45%

International students were most likely to be provided with:
- eBooks: 39%
- Print Books: 37%
- In-Person USMLE Courses: 31%

Students, both domestic and international, typically start preparing for Step 1 during M2 and for Step 2 during M3.

UWorld: 82% Domestic, 76% International
USMLE-Rx: 77% Domestic, 81% International
Pathoma: 82% Domestic, 70% International

Kaplan was also widely used internationally-65% vs. 39% domestically.

Both domestic and international students expressed overall satisfaction with the online USMLE prep resources they used.

Nearly 9 in 10 students used medical learning resources or apps on their mobile devices. Most common were board exam questions, websites with non-reviewed content, and flashcards.