

**PODIATRIC**

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## INTRODUCTION

This booklet contains a description of each of the nation's nine (9) colleges of podiatric medicine participating in the American Association of Colleges of Podiatric Medicine's Application Service (AACPMAS), provided by the American Association of Colleges of Podiatric Medicine (AACPM).

The information included for each college provides necessary details and descriptive data on admission criteria, number of places available, and required supplemental materials. Also provided is the name of the office at each college to which all correspondence should be directed.

Each college's individual admission criteria should be carefully checked to determine its specific qualifications for admission. In admitting students, some schools give preference to residents of their states or geographic regions. Some colleges have established guidelines for applicant's grade point averages and Medical College Admission Test (MCAT) scores. If you have not done so, we suggest that you visit their website and/or communicate directly with the colleges to which you are considering making application to obtain their catalogues and descriptive information.

Required supplemental materials must be sent directly to the college at the time indicated in this booklet. These materials are required either at the same time you send your application to AACPMAS or at a later date as requested by the college. The colleges may not notify you if you fail to provide the required supplemental materials directly to them at the specified time. Note carefully each college's stated procedure to ensure your application will not be incomplete when you are being considered for admission.

The colleges do not charge application fees in addition to the AACPMAS processing fee. Applications received before April 1st will be given priority consideration, but the FINAL DEADLINE for application submission to the nine colleges of podiatric medicine through AACPMAS for Fall admission that same year will be posted on our website at: [www.e-aacpmas.org](http://www.e-aacpmas.org).

In-state tuition for the nine colleges of the AACPM ranges from \$25,600 to \$30,968. This figure does not include fees, books, or room and board. Please contact each school for their particular tuition and fee charges.

In addition, the number of places available in each college's Fall Entering Class may vary somewhat from year to year. Please check with the particular college to which you are interested in applying.

The information in this booklet is a fair representation of each participating college's program at the time of printing. Changes may be made in any institution's program by its Board of Trustees, Administration, and/or Faculty at any subsequent time without notice. The provisions of this booklet do not constitute an irrevocable contract between any applicant or student and the respective colleges. AACPMAS is not responsible for any misrepresentations of a college's requirements or provisions that might arise as a result of errors in the preparation of this booklet. Every effort has been made to assure the accuracy of the information but applicants should contact the appropriate college for current information.

## WHAT IS PODIATRIC MEDICINE?

Podiatric medicine is a branch of the medical sciences concerned with the diagnosis and treatment of conditions affecting the human foot, ankle, and their governing and related structures, including the local manifestations of systemic conditions.

A doctor of podiatric medicine (DPM) is to the foot what a dentist is to the mouth or an ophthalmologist to the eye - a specialist who has undergone lengthy, thorough study to become uniquely well qualified to treat a specific part of the body.

A DPM specializes in the prevention, diagnosis, and treatment of foot disorders, diseases and injuries. A DPM makes independent judgments, utilizes x-rays and laboratory tests for diagnostic purposes, prescribes medications, orders physical therapy, sets fractures, and performs surgery. The DPM works closely with other health professionals to treat and control disease.

The human foot is a complex structure containing 28 bones, plus muscles, nerves, ligaments, and blood vessels, and is designed for balance and mobility. Because of this function, the foot has a highly significant inter-relationship with the rest of the body, which means that it may be the first area to show signs of serious conditions, such as diabetes and heart disease. For example, diabetics are prone to foot ulcers and infections due to their poor circulation. Since the podiatric physician is often the first to detect symptoms of these disorders, he or she becomes a vital and sometimes lifesaving link in the health care team.

## WHAT DOES A DOCTOR OF PODIATRIC MEDICINE DO?

- Diagnoses foot ailments, such as tumors or ulcer, fractures, skin or nail diseases and congenital or acquired deformities;
- Treats deformities, such as flat or weak feet and foot imbalance, using mechanical and electrical methods;
- Treats conditions, such as corns, calluses, bunions, heel spurs, ingrown toenails, arch problems, shortened tendons, cysts, bone disorders, and abscesses, if necessary, by surgical methods;
- Fits corrective inserts called orthotics, designs plaster casts and strappings to correct deformities, and designs custom-made shoes;
- Designs flexible casting for immobilization of foot and ankle fractures, sprains, or other injuries;
- Designs mechanical devices to correct walking patterns and balance, and to promote the overall ability to move about more efficiently and comfortably;
- Provides individual consultations to patients concerning continued treatment of disorders and preventive foot care;
- Refers patients to other physicians when symptoms observed in the feet indicate disorders, such as diabetes, arthritis, heart disease, or kidney disease.

## WHERE DO PODIATRIC PHYSICIANS WORK?

In addition to the many geographic choices available to the podiatric physician (DPMs are licensed in all 50 states, the District of Columbia, and Puerto Rico), there are a variety of settings or types of practices from which to choose:

- Private or group medical practices
- Health Maintenance Organizations
- Preferred Provider Organizations
- Hospitals and extended care facilities
- U.S. Public Health Service
- Department of Veterans Affairs
- Armed Forces
- Municipal Health Departments
- Health professions schools

Podiatric medicine provides an outstanding opportunity for those interested in teaching, in research, or in the practice of a medical specialty.

There are approximately 15,000 practicing podiatrists in the United States. Most podiatrists have a general practice, but some specialize in surgery, orthopedics, or public health. Besides these certified specialties, podiatrists may practice a subspecialty such as sports medicine, pediatrics, dermatology, radiology, geriatrics, or diabetic foot care.

## IS RESIDENCY TRAINING REQUIRED?

After completing four years of podiatric medical training, the podiatric physician is required by most states to complete a minimum of two years of postgraduate residency training in an approved healthcare institution and pass Part I and Part II of the National Podiatric Board of Medicine Examination. Two years of residency training are required for board certification. A residency provides an interdisciplinary experience with rotations such as anesthesiology, internal medicine, infectious disease, surgery, ER and pediatrics.

Residency training provides a combination of medical and surgical experiences that are resource-based, competency-driven and assessment-validated. Podiatric medical graduates may select either a twenty-four month Podiatric Medicine and Surgery Residency (PM&S-24) or a thirty-six month Podiatric Medicine and Surgery Residency (PM&S-36). The thirty-six month residency includes training in reconstructive rearfoot and ankle surgery.

All entry-level residency programs are required to participate in a national, centralized application and matching service such as the Centralized Application Service for Podiatric Residencies (CASPR). This matching program is similar to that of allopathic medicine and saves time and money during the residency search. For additional information about residency programs call AACPM's Graduate Services Department at 1-800-443-3514.

## WHAT ARE THE LICENSING AND BOARD CERTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS?

National Boards are taken in two parts while in podiatric medical school:

### PART I

Covers basic science areas and is generally taken at the conclusion of the second year.

### PART II

Covers clinical areas and is taken in the spring of the fourth year, prior to graduation.

Satisfactory completion of Parts I and II of the National Board is one of the requirements for state licensure. Most states will also require a written and/or oral examination prior to licensure.

Podiatric physicians are licensed in all 50 states, the District of Columbia and Puerto Rico to treat the foot and its related or governing structures by medical, surgical or other means. The scope of practice varies from state to state.

State licensing requirements generally include graduation from one of the eight accredited colleges of podiatric medicine, passage of the National Board exams and postgraduate training as well as written and oral examinations.

Podiatric physicians may also become certified in one or both specialty areas: primary care and orthopedics or surgery.

National podiatric specialty boards grant certification to qualified podiatric physicians who have completed the specified educational requirements and who successfully complete written and oral examinations.

## WHAT ARE THE BENEFITS & INCOME POTENTIAL?

The work hours of a podiatric physician can vary from less than 40 hours a week to 50 hours or more per week. In general, the practice of podiatric medicine lends itself to flexible hours and is therefore comfortable for individuals who want time for family, friends and other involvements that characterize a balanced lifestyle.

Earnings of podiatrists depend upon geographic location, type of practice, number of patients seen per week, years of experience, etc. According to a survey by the American Podiatric Medical Association (APMA 2008 Podiatric Practice Survey), the average **NET** income of full-time (30+ hrs/week) podiatric physicians in 2008 was as follows:

NET INCOME RANGE (AFTER PRACTICE EXPENSES) in 2008	PERCENTAGE OF PODIATRISTS WITH THAT LEVEL OF INCOME
<b>Less than \$25,000</b>	<b>&lt; 1%</b>
<b>\$25,000 - \$75,000</b>	<b>11%</b>
<b>\$76,000 - \$100,000</b>	<b>14%</b>
<b>\$101,000 - \$150,000</b>	<b>30%</b>
<b>\$151,000 - \$200,000</b>	<b>21%</b>
<b>\$201,000 - \$250,000</b>	<b>8%</b>
<b>\$251,000 - 300,000</b>	<b>4%</b>
<b>MORE THAN \$300,000</b>	<b>11%</b>

The average net income increased from an estimated \$134,000 in 2001 and \$154,000 in 2004 to \$189,030 in 2006 and \$190,670 in 2008.

## WHY SHOULD I CONSIDER BECOMING A DOCTOR OF PODIATRIC MEDICINE?

Injuries sustained by an increasing number of men and women engaging in exercise and fitness have created a great demand for doctors of podiatric medicine. Ailments of the foot are among the most widespread and neglected health problems in our nation today.

Additionally, the number of older Americans is increasing almost three times as fast as the rest of the population, and subsequently adds to the demand for podiatric physicians. Studies on manpower in the health professions indicate the need to increase the number of practicing podiatrists in the United States in the 21st century.

## WHAT DO I STUDY TO BECOME A DOCTOR OF PODIATRIC MEDICINE?

The doctor of podiatric medicine degree (DPM) is awarded after four years of study at one of the nine colleges of podiatric medicine in the US. The colleges differ in size and location, although the curriculum leading to the DPM degree is quite similar at each institution. The first two years concentrate on classroom instruction and laboratory work in the basic sciences, similar to allopathic and osteopathic medical school curricula. The third and fourth years of study focus on clinical skills and patient care judgment. Experience is gained through clinical rotation in podiatric clinics, hospitals, long-term care facilities, satellite clinics and professional office settings.

## WHAT ARE THE ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS?

### ADMISSIONS

To enter a college of podiatric medicine, one must first complete at least three years or ninety semester hours of college credit at an accredited institution. About 93% of the students who enter a college of podiatric medicine have a bachelor's degree. Many have also completed some graduate study.

Actual minimum semester credit hour requirements for all of the colleges of podiatric medicine include the following prerequisites:

COURSE	SEMESTER HOURS
<b>BIOLOGY</b>	<b>8</b>
<b>CHEMISTRY</b> (GENERAL/INORGANIC)	<b>8</b>
<b>ORGANIC CHEMISTRY</b>	<b>8</b>
<b>PHYSICS</b>	<b>8</b>
<b>ENGLISH</b>	<b>8</b>

\* ALL BUT ENGLISH REQUIRE A LAB.

## LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION (E-LOR)

### ADMISSIONS

Letters of Recommendation or Evaluation and other extraneous materials, e.g. past achievements, research performed, resumes, diplomas or certificates, should be sent directly to your designated colleges or brought to your interview.

PLEASE NOTE WHICH COLLEGES WILL ACCEPT ELECTRONIC LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION (E-LOR) FROM LETTER SERVICES FOR THE 2011 APPLICATION CYCLE:

SCHOOLS	ACCEPTING E-LOR DURING THE 2011 AACPMAS CYCLE
AZPod	Interfolio or Virtual Evals
BUSPM	NO
CSPM	Interfolio
DMU-CPMS	Interfolio or Virtual Evals
NYCPM	Interfolio or Virtual Evals
OCPM	NO
SCPM	Interfolio or Virtual Evals
TUSPM	NO
WUCPM	Interfolio or Virtual Evals

NOTE: PLEASE REFER TO PAGE 18-19 FOR A FULL LIST OF THE COLLEGES OF PODIATRIC MEDICINE.

## REQUIRED STANDARDIZED ADMISSIONS TESTS

### ADMISSIONS

Traditionally the Medical College Admission Test (MCAT) has been the only standardized test required for admission to the colleges of podiatric medicine. However, some colleges will accept other test scores, such as the **Dental Admission Test (DAT)** or the **Graduate Record Exam (GRE)**. If you have not taken the MCAT, please check the policy of each individual college in which you are interested to ascertain if test scores other than the MCAT are acceptable for admission.

SCHOOLS	STANDARDIZED TESTS ACCEPTED DURING THE 2011 AACPMAS CYCLE
AZPod	MCAT Last MCAT test date: <b>5/26/11</b>
BUSPM	MCAT Last MCAT test date: <b>6/16/11</b>
CSPM	MCAT Last MCAT test date: <b>5/26/11</b>
DMU-CPMS	MCAT Last MCAT test date: <b>5/26/11</b>
NYCPM	MCAT DAT Last MCAT test date: <b>6/16/11</b>
OCPM	MCAT Last MCAT test date: <b>6/16/11</b>
SCPM	MCAT Last MCAT test date: <b>5/26/11</b>
TUSPM	MCAT DAT GRE Last MCAT test date: <b>7/16/11</b>
WUCPM	MCAT Last MCAT test date: <b>6/16/11</b>

## MCAT INFORMATION

### ADMISSIONS

Applicants who choose to take the MCAT as an entrance requirement **must take the MCAT no later than spring of the year of admission**. All standardized admissions exams taken more than three (3) years prior to application are **NOT ACCEPTABLE**.

To register for the MCAT and for dates and /or test site locations, visit:  
[www.aamc.org/students/mcat/](http://www.aamc.org/students/mcat/)

**Please make note of your AAMC ID Number.** You will need it when you apply through E - AACPMAS.

To have your **MCAT** Scores sent to AACPMAS:

- Follow this link: <https://services.aamc.org/mcatthx/>
- Login with your username and password. You can use the same for AMCAS/MCAT registration.
- Follow [Send all of my scores](#) link at the bottom left corner.
- Select American Assoc. of Colleges of Podiatric Med. App. Serv. in the Application Services box, and click the button [Add](#).
- Select the box [I Agree](#) and then click Submit.

## DAT INFORMATION

### ADMISSIONS

To register for the DAT and for dates and test site information, visit:  
[www.ada.org/dat.aspx](http://www.ada.org/dat.aspx)

**Please make note of your DENTPIN® Number.** You will need it when you apply through AACPMAS.

To have your **DAT** Scores sent to AACPMAS when registering to take the exam:

- Within the section of identifying institutions to receive your scores, scroll down to the bottom of the drop down menu.
- Select Other
- Type in the following address:  
AACPMAS Test Score Center  
15850 Crabbs Branch Way, #320  
Rockville, MD 20855

To have your **DAT** Scores sent to AACPMAS after the exam:

- Complete an additional score report form. You must use the PDF form as the electronic form does not allow for alternate institutions to receive scores. Obtain an additional score report form at:  
[http://www.ada.org/sections/educationAndCareers/pdfs/dat\\_score\\_report.pdf](http://www.ada.org/sections/educationAndCareers/pdfs/dat_score_report.pdf)
- On page 2 of the report, select [Alternate Institution](#)
- Type in the following address:  
AACPMAS Test Score Center  
15850 Crabbs Branch Way, #320  
Rockville, MD 20855

## HOW DO I APPLY TO A COLLEGE OF PODIATRIC MEDICINE?

### ADMISSIONS

All nine of the nation's colleges of podiatric medicine participate in a centralized application service sponsored by the American Association of Colleges of Podiatric Medicine (AACPM), which enables a student to apply to one, some, or all nine of the colleges by submitting only one application.

The American Association of Colleges of Podiatric Medicine's Application Service (AACPMAS) reviews the applicant's application form for completion; verifies academic coursework; receives official standardized admissions test scores; and processes payment of application fees. AACPMAS then electronically transmits applicant's data to the colleges selected by the applicant. There are no secondary application forms or fees for the Colleges of Podiatric Medicine.

Other requirements for admission include letters of recommendation, which are to be sent **DIRECTLY** to the colleges, as well as a personal interview. To complete our online application go to [www.e-aacpmas.org](http://www.e-aacpmas.org). Call 617-612-2900 if you have any questions.

### MAIL TRANSCRIPTS TO:

AACPMAS  
P.O. Box 9200  
Watertown, MA 02471

## INTERNATIONAL APPLICANTS

### ADMISSIONS

Transcripts from non-U.S. and non-Canadian universities must be evaluated by an educational service. Examples of such services include:

### WORLD EDUCATION SERVICES

Bowling Green Station  
P.O. Box 5087  
New York, NY 10274-5087  
(212) 966-6311  
[www.wes.org](http://www.wes.org)

### JOSEF SILNY & ASSOCIATES, INC.

7101 SW 102 Ave.  
Miami, FL 33173  
(305) 273-1616  
[www.jsilny.com](http://www.jsilny.com)

### EDUCATIONAL CREDENTIAL EVALUATIONS

PO Box 514070  
Milwaukee, WI 53202  
(414) 289-3400  
[www.ece.org](http://www.ece.org)

### ARIZONA

#### ARIZONA SCHOOL OF PODIATRIC MEDICINE

##### AT MIDWESTERN UNIVERSITY (AZPOD)

Glendale, AZ

(623) 572-3275; (888) 247-9277

[www.midwestern.edu/azpod](http://www.midwestern.edu/azpod)

### CALIFORNIA

#### CALIFORNIA SCHOOL OF PODIATRIC MEDICINE

##### AT SAMUEL MERRITT UNIVERSITY (CSPM)

Oakland, CA

(510) 869-6789

[www.samuelmerritt.edu/podaitric\\_medicine](http://www.samuelmerritt.edu/podaitric_medicine)

#### WESTERN UNIVERSITY OF HEALTH SCIENCES

##### COLLEGE OF PODIATRIC MEDICINE (WUCPM)

Pomona, CA

(909) 469-5485

<http://www.prospective.westernu.edu/podiatry.welcome>

### FLORIDA

#### BARRY UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF PODIATRIC MEDICINE (BUSPM)

Miami Shores, FL

(305) 899-3130; (800) 695-2279

[www.barry.edu/podiatry](http://www.barry.edu/podiatry)

### ILLINOIS

#### DR. WILLIAM M. SCHOLL COLLEGE OF PODIATRIC MEDICINE

##### AT ROSALIND FRANKLIN UNIVERSITY (SCPM)

North Chicago, IL

(847) 578-8400; (800) 843-3059

[www.rosalindfranklin.edu](http://www.rosalindfranklin.edu)

### IOWA

#### COLLEGE OF PODIATRIC MEDICINE & SURGERY

##### DES MOINES UNIVERSITY (DMU - CPMS)

Des Moines, IA

(515) 271-7497

[www.dmu.edu/cpms/pm](http://www.dmu.edu/cpms/pm)

### NEW YORK

#### NEW YORK COLLEGE OF PODIATRIC MEDICINE (NYCPM)

New York, NY

(212) 410-8098; (800) 526-6966

[www.nycpm.edu](http://www.nycpm.edu)

### OHIO

#### OHIO COLLEGE OF PODIATRIC MEDICINE (OCPM)

Independence, OH

(800) 821-6562 (INSIDE OHIO); (800) 238-7903 (OUTSIDE OHIO)

[www.ocpm.edu](http://www.ocpm.edu)

### PENNSYLVANIA

#### TEMPLE UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF PODIATRIC MEDICINE (TUSPM)

Philadelphia, PA

(215) 625-5451; (800) 220-FEET

<http://podiatry.temple.edu>



**ARIZONA**

Building on more than a century of excellence, the Arizona Podiatric Medicine Program has established high standards of achievement for both its faculty and students. With its own longstanding history of service, the podiatry profession is a good fit with the other caring professions on the Glendale Campus. The growing demand for high quality care of disorders of the foot, ankle, and lower leg is driven in large measure by the critical role of podiatrists in sports medicine, in diabetic foot care, and in the care of the geriatric population.

As the only school of podiatric medicine in the Southwest, Midwestern University’s program is characterized by an interdisciplinary curriculum which takes full advantage of the abundant resources available on the campus and in the community.

Students are taught fundamental skills early in the curriculum, which allows them to benefit more fully from an early introduction to patient care. Many podiatric and non-podiatric elective rotations are available to podiatric medical students attending Midwestern University. The integration of podiatry with the other health professional disciplines more fully prepares our graduate to function effectively in the increasingly multi-disciplinary care patterns of the future.

Through the rigorous curriculum at Midwestern University, podiatric medical students will gain not only the requisite medical knowledge and practical skills necessary to excel in residency and practice, but extensive community involvement will also help them to develop an appreciation for the importance of ethics and professionalism in combination with compassion and cultural sensitivity.

- Places available in the Fall entering class: 30

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**ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS**

To be considered for admission to the Podiatric Medicine Program, the successful candidate must complete the following:

- Possess a minimum GPA of 2.75 on a 4.00 scale.
- Possess a minimum science GPA of 2.75 on a 4.00 scale.
- Complete a minimum of 90 semester hours at an accredited college or university.
- Complete the following pre-requisite courses:

COURSE	HOURS
<b>BIOLOGY</b>	<b>8 SEM OR 12 QTR</b>
<b>CHEMISTRY</b> (GENERAL/INORGANIC)	<b>8 SEM OR 12 QTR</b>
<b>ORGANIC CHEMISTRY</b>	<b>8 SEM OR 12 QTR</b>
<b>PHYSICS</b>	<b>8 SEM OR 12 QTR</b>
<b>ENGLISH</b>	<b>6 SEM OR 12 QTR</b>

\* ALL SCIENCE PREREQUISITES REQUIRE LABS.

- No grade less than a “C” will be accepted for any prerequisite course.

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**ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS** (CONTINUED)

- Arrange with AAMC/MCAT to have MCAT Scores submitted digitally to AACPMAS.
- Submit two letters of recommendation: one must be from a medical practitioner (letters from podiatrists are strongly encouraged); the other must be from a pre-health professions advisor or science professor. Additional letters from individuals who can attest to a student's character are welcome.
- Demonstrate a thorough understanding of and interest in podiatric medicine.
- Reflect a service orientation through church or community service, or extracurricular activities.
- Reflect motivation for and commitment to health care as demonstrated by previous work, volunteerism, or other life experiences.
- Possess personal integrity and sound moral character.
- Possess the oral and written communication skills necessary to communicate effectively with patients and colleagues.

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Address all correspondence to:

Admissions Department  
Midwestern University  
19555 North 59th Avenue  
Glendale AZ 85308



623-572-3275  
888-247-9277 (TOLL FREE)



[admissaz@midwestern.edu](mailto:admissaz@midwestern.edu)



[www.midwestern.edu/azpod](http://www.midwestern.edu/azpod)



<http://www.facebook.com/pages/Glendale-AZ/Arizona-Podiatric-Medicine-Program-Midwestern-University/164921199531?ref=search>



**CALIFORNIA**

The California School of Podiatric Medicine at Samuel Merritt University, founded in 1914, located in Oakland, California, part of the San Francisco Bay Area, is one of nine institutions that prepare men and women for careers in podiatric medicine. It is part of a private, independent, health professions University.

The educational program leading to the Doctor of Podiatric Medicine degree consists of a comprehensive curriculum in the basic medical sciences, general medicine, clinical sciences and research. To increase the clinical training opportunities for fourth year students, the school has established several clinical rotation core sites that are located throughout the United States.

Samuel Merritt University is fully accredited by the Accrediting Commission for Senior Colleges and Universities of the Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WASC), as well as the Council on Podiatric Medical Education of the American Podiatric Medical Association.

Samuel Merritt University does not discriminate on the basis of sex, age, race, color, ethnic or national origin, disability or handicap, religion, marital status, sexual orientation, or status as a Vietnam-era veteran.

- Places available in the Fall entering class: 40-52

**MINIMUM ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS**

- Successful completion of the Medical College Admission Test (MCAT). Admission tests taken more than three years PRIOR to year of application are **NOT** acceptable. It is strongly advised that candidates sit for the MCAT no later than May of the year applying for admission.
- Successful completion of three years of under-graduate premedical education at an accredited institution. About 95% of entering students already have baccalaureate or advanced degrees.
- Most competitive applicants will have had a college curriculum that includes three or more of the following recommended courses: anatomy, biochemistry, histology, microbiology and physiology, as well as extensive course work in the liberal arts. A combination course such as genetics, embryology, virology, and immunology will also be beneficial.
- Specific course prerequisites include:

COURSE	SEMESTER HOURS
<b>GENERAL BIOLOGY</b>	<b>8</b>
<b>CHEMISTRY</b> (GENERAL/INORGANIC)	<b>8</b>
<b>ORGANIC CHEMISTRY**</b>	<b>4</b>
<b>BIOCHEMISTRY</b>	<b>4</b>
<b>PHYSICS</b>	<b>8</b>
<b>ENGLISH/COMMUNICATIONS</b>	<b>8</b>
<b>OTHER LIBERAL ARTS</b>	<b>12</b>

\* ALL SCIENCE PREREQUISITES REQUIRE LABS.

\*\* A TOTAL OF 8 SEMESTER UNITS OF ORGANIC CHEMISTRY MAY BE SUBSTITUTED FOR BIOCHEMISTRY.

**INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS** attending a foreign university, including Canadian students, are required to have their academic transcripts evaluated by:

World Education Services  
P.O. Box 745, Old Chelsea Station  
New York, NY 10113-0745  
212-966-6311

TEST of ENGLISH as a FOREIGN LANGUAGE and TEST of SPOKEN ENGLISH

The college requires any applicant whose primary language is NOT English to take the TOEFL and score a minimum of 100 (internet computer-based). In addition, applicants to the School of Podiatric Medicine must also take the TSE. For information on the TOEFL and TSE, contact the Educational Testing Service at 800-468-6335 or visit their website at [www.ets.org](http://www.ets.org).

### SUPPLEMENTAL MATERIAL REQUIRED BY THE COLLEGE

Send directly to the College at the time of applying:

- A recommendation from your pre-professional advisory committee or, if there is not a committee, two letters of recommendation from science faculty.
- One recommendation from a *PODIATRIC* physician.

Applicants must visit the office of a practicing podiatric physician prior to the interview to discuss the responsibilities of a podiatric medical practitioner and observe the scope of the practice.

Applicants qualifying for an interview will be invited to the College at the invitation of the Admissions Committee.

For further information, please contact:

Office of Admission  
California School of Podiatric Medicine  
at Samuel Merritt University  
3100 Telegraph Avenue, Suite 1000  
Oakland, CA 94609



510-869-6789



[dtran@samuelmerritt.edu](mailto:dtran@samuelmerritt.edu)



[www.samuelmerritt.edu](http://www.samuelmerritt.edu)



**CALIFORNIA**

Western University of Health Sciences was founded in 1977 and exists as a non-profit, graduate university for the health professions located on 22 acres in Pomona, California. Pomona is a city of approximately 150,000 residents, located 35 miles east of Los Angeles near the foothills of the San Gabriel Mountains. The mission of Western University of Health Sciences is: To produce, in a humanistic tradition, health care professionals and biomedical knowledge that will enhance and extend the quality of life in our communities. The University’s emphasis is on the education and preparation of inter-professional primary health care service teams. The University’s philosophical perspective focuses on the preparation of highly skilled health care professionals who are also compassionate, humanistic caregivers.

Students will learn in modern laboratories and lecture halls with state-of-the-art equipment. They will rotate through clinical settings, including rural and inner-city medical centers, group practices, managed care organizations and tertiary care hospitals. Affiliations for student clinical rotations in teaching hospitals have been developed at several institutions to include but not be limited to: Olive View UCLA in the northern San Fernando Valley area, VA Greater Los Angeles, Riverside County Regional Medical Center, Downey Regional Medical Center, and Arrowhead Regional Medical Center.

In keeping with the objective of podiatric medicine and the APMA Project 2015 in regards to parity with allopathic and osteopathic medicine, the first two years of the curriculum for WesternU’s College of Podiatric Medicine will be the same as for our founding College of Osteopathic Medicine of the Pacific. Additionally, the didactic enrichment in the profession and specific components of podiatric medicine and surgery will be delivered in an integrated fashion.

WesternU’s interprofessional curriculum will provide a forum for you to collaborate and learn from students in eight other health-care programs. This curriculum will provide an opportunity for early networking with other health professionals and ultimately prepare you to better serve your patients through interprofessional collaboration and referrals.

- Places available in the Fall entering class: 50

**ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS**

Candidates for admission must meet the following requirements:

- Complete a minimum of 90 semester or 135 quarter hours of coursework at a regionally accredited institution prior to matriculation. Although not required, having earned a bachelor’s degree will likely strengthen your application. Possess a minimum science GPA of 2.75 on a 4.00 scale.
- Complete the Medical College Admission Test (MCAT). Scores are valid for three years from date of application.
- Complete the following prerequisite courses with a grade of “C” or better.

COURSE	SEMESTER HOURS
<b>GENERAL BIOLOGY</b>	<b>8</b>
<b>CHEMISTRY</b> (GENERAL/INORGANIC)	<b>8</b>
<b>ORGANIC CHEMISTRY</b>	<b>8</b>
<b>PHYSICS</b>	<b>8</b>
<b>ENGLISH/COMPOSITION</b>	<b>6</b>

\* ALL SCIENCE PREREQUISITES REQUIRE LABS.

For further details on admissions requirement, please visit our web site at <http://prospective.westernu.edu/podiatry/requirements>

### SUPPLEMENTAL MATERIAL REQUIRED BY THE COLLEGE

At the time of application, please forward directly to the college:

- One letter of recommendation from a Pre-Health Professions Committee and one from a podiatric physician.
- If your school does not have a Pre-Health Professions Committee, you may submit two letters of recommendation from science professors along with one letter from a podiatric physician.

Send all correspondence and supplemental materials to:

Office of Admissions - CPM  
Western University of Health Sciences  
309 East Second Street  
Pomona, CA 91766



909-469-5335  
909-469-5570 (FAX)



[admissions@westernu.edu](mailto:admissions@westernu.edu)



<http://prospective.westernu.edu/podiatry/welcome>



### FLORIDA

Barry University's School of Podiatric Medicine is one of ten schools within the University. Founded in 1940, Barry is located on a 122-acre campus in the residential suburb of Miami Shores, Florida.

Known as a Catholic International Co-ed University, Barry has an enrollment of over 9,000 students from 78 countries, 49 states, and several U.S. territories. Students at Barry's School of Podiatric Medicine benefit from the advantages of a small and caring school setting within a larger and stimulating university environment offering extensive facilities, the latest in equipment and laboratories, and opportunities for superior performance. It is also located within one of the most vibrant metropolitan areas in the country --- the perfect place to study podiatric medicine and surgery.

Barry University is fully accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools, and the Council on Podiatric Medical Education accredits the Podiatric Medicine program.

The coursework leading to the degree of Doctor of Podiatric Medicine consists of four years of study. First year students take courses in the basic sciences as well as an introductory course in podiatric medicine. The second year curriculum includes courses in the basic sciences, podiatric medicine, and clinical sciences. In the third and fourth years Barry's emphasis is on a blend of clinical experiences, advanced seminars, and elective courses. In the third year, students are exposed to the clinical experience with instruction, while fourth year students focus on clinical practice and selective coursework.

**DEGREE OPTIONS**

Barry University School of Podiatric Medicine offers two (2) unique joint medical degrees. The DPM/Masters in Business Administration (MBA) and the DPM/Masters in Public Health (MPH). Both of these programs are designed for students who have the academic ability to carry the additional coursework. It allows students to complete both degrees in four years.

Barry maintains clinical affiliations with several South Florida hospitals and agencies in support of its various academic programs. Clinical rotations include: Mercy Hospital, Jackson Memorial Hospital, Hialeah Hospital, Miami Heart Institute, Mt. Sinai Medical Center, Miami Veterans' Administration Hospital, Larkin Hospital, and Westchester Hospital. This, coupled with the diverse South Florida population, will ensure a wide variety of clinical settings and clinical experiences for students.

- Places available in the Fall entering class: 67

**ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS**

Applicants are required to take the MCAT. MCAT Scores must be sent to AACPMAS. Qualifying applicants will be invited for a personal interview conducted by the Academic Admissions Committee. Barry University considers this visit very important and meaningful for the applicant and faculty. Applicants must have completed a minimum of three years of undergraduate study (90 semester hours) at a regionally accredited institution, which include the following minimum credit hours:

COURSE	SEMESTER HOURS
<b>GENERAL BIOLOGY</b>	<b>8</b>
<b>CHEMISTRY</b> (GENERAL/INORGANIC)	<b>8</b>
<b>ORGANIC CHEMISTRY</b>	<b>8</b>
<b>PHYSICS</b>	<b>8</b>
<b>ENGLISH/COMPOSITION</b>	<b>6</b>

\* INCLUDING LABORATORY

PLEASE NOTE:

Survey science courses are not considered acceptable as fulfilling the science requirements.

Academic merit scholarships are available.

**SUPPLEMENTAL MATERIAL REQUIRED BY THE COLLEGE**

At the time of application, please forward directly to the college:

- A composite evaluation from the Pre-Professional Advisory Committee of your undergraduate institution and a letter from a D.P.M. verifying that the applicant has visited a podiatrist.
- If there is no committee, three letters of evaluation are required: one each from a health profession advisor, a science faculty member and a D.P.M. (to verify that the applicant has visited a podiatrist).
- Additional references or evaluations may be forwarded at the applicant's option.

Send all correspondence and supplemental materials to:

Barry University  
 Division of Enrollment Services  
 School of Podiatric Medicine - Admissions  
 11300 NE East Second Avenue  
 Miami Shores, FL 33161



305-899-3130  
 800-695-2279 (TOLL FREE)



[www.barry.edu/podiatry](http://www.barry.edu/podiatry)

**ILLINOIS**

Located in the spacious Health Sciences Building on the North Chicago campus of Rosalind Franklin University of Medicine and Science, Scholl College maintains a tradition of leadership by virtue of its rich heritage, medical school curriculum model, clinical outreach, residency commitment and its high academic standards.

World-renowned foot care entrepreneur Dr. William M. Scholl founded the College in 1912. Fully one third of practicing podiatric physicians in the U.S. today are alumni of our prestigious program. The State of Illinois boasts 80% of its podiatrists are Scholl College alumni.

Scholl College was the first college of podiatric medicine to enter a comprehensive joint venture with a major teaching hospital. Today, Scholl students are able to experience hospital rotations, in-patient surgery, and emergency medicine – the full complement of treatment for foot conditions and injuries. They do this at the prestigious Stroger Hospital of Cook County, formerly known as Cook County Hospital, as part of the college's teaching affiliation with the Cook County Bureau of Health Services, and at other affiliated teaching hospitals in the Chicago area.

The College is nationally recognized for the breadth and inventiveness of its clinical experiences. Scholl students begin their clinical training earlier than students do at other colleges of podiatric medicine. The Scholl Foot and Ankle Center, a full-service foot clinic located in the newly remodeled Clinics at Rosalind Franklin University, provides outstanding clinical training opportunities for students. The Scholl Foot and Ankle Center is part of the Rosalind Franklin University Health System.

The College is nationally admired for the creation of the country's first Footcare for the Homeless Program. An inspiration of a Scholl student, the program today provides treatment to several thousand homeless men, women and children.

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Scholl College has the oldest, most extensive scholarship program in podiatric medical education, with more than \$600,000 available to new and current students, including one full-tuition and up to 25 half-tuition scholarships. The college's leadership in financial commitment to residency genesis helped create residency positions throughout the nation for Scholl grads. All eligible members of the Class of 2010 will go on to residency training, with over 90% entering three-year programs.

The Center for Lower Extremity Ambulatory Research (CLEAR) is located at the Dr. William M. Scholl College of Podiatric Medicine at Rosalind Franklin University of Medicine and Science. With over 200 peer reviewed publications and 30 funded research projects, CLEAR is amongst the most active groups of its kind in the world. First year students are eligible to participate in research fellowships; students who demonstrate academic excellence and research background are encouraged to apply for the DPM/PhD dual degree track.

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## **ADMISSIONS**

The Department of Admissions and Recruitment at the Dr. William M. Scholl College of Podiatric Medicine works with prospective students through the admissions process. The office seeks to enroll students who have achieved academic success; have demonstrated personal growth and professional motivation; and present evidence of a strong preparation for the study of podiatric medicine. Candidates who meet the College's standards should make significant contributions to the academic, clinical, and student programs of the College.

The Admissions Committee evaluates all candidates on the basis of their individual accomplishments. Consideration is given to the candidate's academic performance, test scores, faculty evaluations, professional motivation, participation in extracurricular activities and personal characteristics. A personal interview is required of all candidates. Interviews are conducted by invitation of the Admissions Committee.

The Scholl College welcomes you to inquire about its programs and to discuss your application. Please call us or visit our website.

- Places available in the Fall entering class: 100

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### ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

Candidates for admission should present evidence of strong preparation for professional study. The minimum requirements for admission include completion of at least 90 semester hours of study at an accredited college or university. Undergraduate preparation must include:

COURSE	SEMESTER HOURS
<b>BIOLOGICAL SCIENCE</b>	<b>12*</b>
<b>CHEMISTRY</b> (GENERAL/INORGANIC)	<b>8</b>
<b>ORGANIC CHEMISTRY</b>	<b>8 **</b>
<b>PHYSICS</b>	<b>8</b>
<b>ENGLISH</b>	<b>6</b>

\* WE BELIEVE STUDENTS WOULD BENEFIT FROM AN ACADEMIC BACKGROUND IN BIOCHEMISTRY, MICROBIOLOGY OR OTHER ADVANCED TOPICS IN BIOLOGY.

\*\* BIOCHEMISTRY MAY BE SUBSTITUTED FOR HALF THIS REQUIREMENT.

Candidates are encouraged to apply early and take the MCAT in the summer before the year of admission. Scores will be accepted only from tests taken less than three years prior to the time of application.

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### SUPPLEMENTAL MATERIAL REQUIRED BY THE COLLEGE

At the time of application, please forward directly to the college:

- A composite evaluation from the Health Professions Advisory Committee or three individual letters of recommendation from members of college science faculty;
- Additional professional evaluations, such as a podiatrist or other medical staff, or personal references from other sources.

Send all correspondence and supplemental materials to:

Office of Admissions and Recruitment  
Dr. William M. Scholl College of Podiatric Medicine  
at Rosalind Franklin University of Medicine and Science  
3333 Green Bay Road  
North Chicago, IL 60064-3095



847-578-8400  
847-775-6523 (FAX)  
800-843-3059 (TOLL FREE)



[scholl.admission@rosalindfranklin.edu](mailto:scholl.admission@rosalindfranklin.edu)



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## IOWA

The Des Moines University College of Podiatric Medicine and Surgery is located in Des Moines, Iowa. Founded in 1898, Des Moines University offers health science graduate programs in its three colleges: the College of Osteopathic Medicine (COM), the College of Health Sciences (CHS) and the College of Podiatric Medicine and Surgery (CPMS). Total enrollment is 1,800 full and part-time students. As a private institution, DMU welcomes applicants from outside the state of Iowa as well as foreign countries.

The College provides a broad-based podiatric medical and surgical education designed to prepare students for post-doctoral residency programs. The College is accredited by the Council on Podiatric Medical Education and the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools.

## FOUR YEAR CURRICULUM

### Year 1

The core basic science curriculum for first year students includes integrated basic science courses with our osteopathic medical students. Podiatric medical students receive supplemental instruction on the functional anatomy of the lower extremity as well as pre-clinical podiatric medicine, biomechanics and foot and ankle surgery.

### Year 2

Second year integrates basic sciences and clinical medicine with an emphasis on the lower extremity. Students learn to identify the interrelationship and interdependence of body systems.

### Year 3

Third year involves small group evidence-based medicine and clinical rotations on campus and throughout Des Moines.

### Year 4

Fourth year students rotate through podiatric, medical and surgical rotations at hospitals and clinics nationwide. Much emphasis is given to prepare students for practice in multidisciplinary environments using hospitals and community-based clinics affiliated with the University.

## ON-SITE CLINIC

The Des Moines University Clinic is a multi-specialty medical clinic operated by the University. The Foot and Ankle Institute is the largest podiatric practice in Iowa, and provides the foundation for much of the clinical training for third year students.

## FACULTY

Full-time basic science and clinical science faculty is the core of the academic and clinical programs. Physicians from the clinical departments of the College of Osteopathic Medicine, College of Podiatric Medicine and Surgery, and community based medical specialists provide the relevant general medical and surgical components of the podiatric curriculum.

- Places available in the Fall entering class: 58

## ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

**BACHELORS DEGREE:** To be considered for admission, applicants should plan to complete a bachelor's degree (or at least 90 semester hours) at an accredited college or university. All majors are acceptable, though most of our applicants have declared a science major.

**PREREQUISITE COURSEWORK:** Applicants must complete 8 semester hours plus labs of the following: biology, general chemistry, organic chemistry and physics. Additionally, 6 semester hours of English credit is required. A minimum GPA of 2.50 is necessary to be considered for admission.

Additional recommended courses include: biochemistry, anatomy, physiology, genetics, medical terminology and psychology.

**ADMISSION EXAMS:** Applicants must plan to complete the Medical College Admission Test (MCAT). Results from DAT, GRE or other standardized exams will no longer be accepted for admission.

**APPLICATION TIMEFRAME:** Applications are available through the AACPMAS beginning in the fall of the year prior to the year you plan to matriculate. Deadlines are typically the summer prior to planned matriculation.

**INTERVIEW DAY:** On-campus interviews are held throughout the academic year for promising candidates. After receiving primary application data, Des Moines University will review and invite qualified students to interview. Admission decisions are generally made within one to two weeks of the Interview Day.

Qualified applicants representing all racial and ethnic groups as well as women are encouraged to apply. Personal interviews are required for applicants being strongly considered. University policy prohibits an application to more than one college of the University at any time.

## SUPPLEMENTAL MATERIAL REQUIRED BY THE COLLEGE

We require letters of recommendation that attest to your academic performance and prior exposure to podiatric medicine with a DPM. To provide this information, please arrange to have the following letters sent directly to Des Moines University:

- One letter from a science professor, academic advisor or preprofessional advisory committee;
- One letter from a doctor of podiatric medicine.

These should be written on letterhead and sent directly from the letter writers to:

DMU – CPMS Admission  
3200 Grand Avenue  
Des Moines, IA 50312

**SPECIAL FEATURES OF DES MOINES UNIVERSITY INCLUDE:**

- Masters Dual degree options in healthcare administration, public health, biomedical sciences and anatomy
- Simulated clinical experiences in our Human Simulation Lab
- International rotations through our Global Health Program to El Salvador, Mali, St. Lucia, South Africa and Uganda.
- Research opportunities throughout curriculum
- Laptops issued to all students – free wireless access on campus and throughout local neighborhood
- Des Moines, IA is an affordable city, centrally located in the midwest

**COLLEGE OF PODIATRIC MEDICINE AND SURGERY  
STRENGTHS INCLUDE:**

- Students consistently score above the national average on board exams
- Students recognized with national research awards
- Majority of students pursue three-year surgical residency following graduation
- Numerous merit-based scholarships available



515-271-7497



<http://www.dmu.edu/cpms/pm/>



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[www.facebook.com/desmoinesuniversity](http://www.facebook.com/desmoinesuniversity)



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## NEW YORK

Established in 1911, the New York College of Podiatric Medicine is the first and largest podiatric college, having graduated more than 25% of all active podiatrists in the nation. The school is located in New York City, where it has established affiliations with many prestigious health care institutions.

NYCPM provides a progressive and comprehensive program to students seeking careers as Doctors of Podiatric Medicine. A student to faculty ratio of 6:1 gives students the opportunity to receive personal attention. The courses are arranged beginning with fundamental concepts of structure and function in the human body, followed by pre-clinical and general clinical sciences in the second year, including pathologies and their clinical correlations, physical diagnosis and many clinical skills. Study in the third year combines didactic courses with clinical clerkships, and the fourth year emphasizes diagnostic skills through problem solving in clinical settings.

Consistent with our vision of meeting the health care challenges of the 21<sup>ST</sup> century, NYCPM has affiliated with over 180 hospitals throughout the United States. Among them are its teaching/clinical affiliate, Foot Clinics of New York (FCNY), as well as Columbia University College of Physicians and Surgeons, Harlem Hospital Center, Lincoln Medical and Mental Health Center, Metropolitan Hospital Center, Morris Heights Health Center and the New York-Presbyterian Healthcare System. These partnerships provide greater educational and clinical training opportunities for senior students in concert with allopathic medical students, expanded graduate medical education programs, participation in joint research projects and the establishment of departments of podiatric services at leading health care institutions.

The Foot Center of New York (FCNY), our primary service affiliate, provides over 2,000 hours of patient care exposure to 3<sup>RD</sup> and 4<sup>TH</sup> year students, and sees over 35,000 patient visits per year. It's Divisions of General Medical Services, Orthopedics, Pediatrics, Radiology, and Surgery provide comprehensive clinical education in podiatric medicine.

In addition to the September entering class, NYCPM offers an opportunity for students to enter in January. Those who do will enroll in a 4½-year decelerated program starting with 2½ years in pre-clinical sciences.

NYCPM also offers a dual degree program, DPM/MPH with Mount Sinai College of Medicine in which students may earn an additional MPH degree during their 4 to 4½-years at NYCPM. Students interested in this program must have a minimum 3.0 undergraduate GPA and competitive MCAT score as well as receive approval from the Associate Dean of Admissions. For more information, please contact our Office of Admissions.

For those students who are interested in early exposure or a jump start to podiatric medicine and its rigorous medical curriculum, NYCPM offers a 6-week pre-matriculation program. The program provides exposure to samples of NYCPM's pre-clinical courses as well as to concepts of podiatric medicine and patient care.

## GENERAL ADMISSION POLICIES

The New York College of Podiatric Medicine seeks to recruit and select highly motivated students who are qualified to enter into the study of podiatric medicine by virtue of prior academic achievement, and evidence of aptitude to pursue a health profession and more specifically of the desire to study podiatric medicine. Moreover, we seek students whose attitudes and motivation are consistent with dedication of one's life to the service of humanity.

- Places available in the Fall entering class: 109

**ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS**

All candidates for admission must have completed a minimum of 90 semester hours of undergraduate study, including the following prerequisite courses, with no grade lower than C-:

COURSE	HOURS
<b>BIOLOGY</b>	<b>1 ACADEMIC YEAR</b>
<b>CHEMISTRY</b>	<b>1 ACADEMIC YEAR</b>
<b>ORGANIC CHEMISTRY</b>	<b>1 ACADEMIC YEAR</b>
<b>PHYSICS</b>	<b>1 ACADEMIC YEAR</b>
<b>ENGLISH</b>	<b>1 ACADEMIC YEAR</b>

\* ALL OF THE ABOVE SCIENCE COURSES MUST INCLUDE A LAB.

- All candidates must have taken the Medical College Admission Test (MCAT). The Dental Admissions Test (DAT) may be accepted on a case by case basis. To see if you qualify, please contact the Office of Admissions. All standardized tests must be taken during the year that they are applying or within the prior three years, and have achieved competitive scores. For the calendar year 2011, candidates must take the MCAT no later than June 2011 in order to qualify for September 2011 admission. For January 2011 admission, candidates must take the MCAT no later than September 2010.
- All candidates must have obtained three letters of recommendation or pre-health committee evaluation.

- All candidates must be able to speak, write and read English. Those from non-English speaking countries must demonstrate these abilities via the TOEFL.
- All candidates must meet certain professional and technical standards, essential to successful completion of the course of study and to successful pursuit of the profession of podiatric medicine.

Applicants for the September and January class must make application via the AACPM online application at [www.e-aacpmas.org](http://www.e-aacpmas.org). They also need to make arrangements through AAMC/MCAT and ADA/DAT to have their test scores sent digitally to AACPMAS. Official transcripts of all postsecondary study must be forwarded to AACPMAS for verification and evaluation. All letters of recommendation must be sent directly to the college.

**SELECTION OF STUDENTS**

Admission is selective; interview is by invitation. The Admissions Committee selects candidates based on academic achievement, community and leadership activities, references and the personal interview.

All hard copy materials must be submitted to the following address:

New York College of Podiatric Medicine  
Office of Admissions  
53 E 124<sup>TH</sup> Street  
New York, NY 10035-1940



212-722-4918 (FAX)  
800-526-6966 (TOLL FREE)



[www.nycpm.edu](http://www.nycpm.edu)

**OHIO**

The Ohio College of Podiatric Medicine (OCPM), located in Independence, OH is an independent, private, non-profit institution dedicated to the sole pursuit of excellence in podiatric medical education, research, and community service. OCPM is accredited by the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools of the Commission on Accreditation and School Improvement (NCA-CASI), and the Council on Podiatric Medical Education (CPME).

The Ohio College of Podiatric Medicine is recognized as a proven leader of podiatric medical education. With a teaching faculty of national reputation for excellence, the educational program is structured to emphasize teaching, clinical and practical experience.

A newly implemented practice management course was created through a joint effort involving the AAPP and OCPM. This unique curriculum consists of lectures designed to introduce the students to the critical elements of self, patient, and practice management.

Founded in 1916, OCPM was previously located in the heart of University Circle in Cleveland, Ohio. University Circle is a community of medical, educational, and cultural institutions upon whose resources OCPM still draws to enrich the student's personal and professional life.

Our new campus is located on 27 acres just nine miles south of downtown Cleveland. The college's new buildings are infused with state-of-the art technology with expanded equipment to promote both individual and small group learning environments. The construction of two additions have provided additional housing for two new lecture halls, complementing the original Georgian building.

College officials are most pleased with the enhanced learning environment provided in anatomy, surgical skills, podiatric medical skills, histology and microbiology labs. Hi-tech extends in the campus-wide wireless Internet access, digitally recorded lectures, and through the simulated patients' center, allowing students the ability of direct learning. The expanded computer learning center and college library also serve to improve academic success.

Students are provided clinical experiences through extensive accessibility in our own Cleveland Foot and Ankle Institute, which has served the community for more than 70 years; the new facility is on the renewed Euclid Avenue corridor. The Cleveland Clinic Foundation also houses OCPM students and staff at the Lennon Diabetes Center of Huron Hospital. Both sites are located in mid-town Cleveland, and serve an urban population.

Rotations are also available through University Hospitals, Cleveland Veterans Medical Centers, and other area hospital systems: exposures serving to enrich and complement our student's clinical skills. The Office of Graduate Placement offers information and support on national post-graduate training opportunities.

Recognizing a student's non-academic needs are equally important, the facilities have a game room and fitness center on-site. The College also provides a full range of student programs through the Office of Student Affairs: housing, financial aid, student employment, spousal and familial support counseling, personal development, and health insurance. The professional staff of Student Affairs also provides support services to facilitate student government, campus organizations, Open House, orientation and graduation ceremonies.

OCPM offers a one week Pre-Professional Internship Program six times during the year. It is designed to provide insight into the many facets of podiatric medicine and the education involved with obtaining a DPM degree. It is an “observation-based” program where interns interact with podiatrists and current OCPM students in hospitals, private practice, classroom and outpatient clinical settings. To be eligible, prospective participants must have successfully completed the first year of their undergraduate education and be in good academic standing.

Applications may be downloaded online at:

[www.ocpm.edu/departments/student\\_affairs/admissions/internship.asp](http://www.ocpm.edu/departments/student_affairs/admissions/internship.asp).

Please telephone Toll-free 1-800-238-7903 for additional information.

- The size of the Fall entering class is an average of 90 students.

## ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

The OCPM student body is diverse and reflects an international representation. The college welcomes applicants from any discipline and encourages a well-rounded undergraduate experience. While admission is competitive and decisions are based primarily on academic performance, other factors such as a student’s character, personal strengths and motivation toward the podiatric medical profession are strongly considered. Contact with a Doctor of Podiatric Medicine for a professional shadowing experience prior to application is strongly recommended.

A minimum of 90 semester hours or 135 quarter hours of pre-professional coursework is required of all students. This includes the following specific course prerequisites:

COURSE	HOURS
<b>BIOLOGY</b>	<b>8 SEM OR 12 QTR</b>
<b>CHEMISTRY</b> (GENERAL/INORGANIC)	<b>8 SEM OR 12 QTR</b>
<b>ORGANIC CHEMISTRY</b>	<b>8 SEM OR 12 QTR</b>
<b>PHYSICS</b>	<b>8 SEM OR 12 QTR</b>
<b>ENGLISH</b>	<b>6 SEM OR 12 QTR</b>

\* ALL SCIENCE COURSEWORK MUST INCLUDE LABORATORY WORK WHERE APPLICABLE.

**ADMISSIONS TEST:** Acceptable test scores from the MCAT is required and preferred. The college may accept scores administered up to 3 years prior to the date of admission, dependent upon the academic strength of the candidate. Academic merit scholarships are available.

**SUPPLEMENTAL MATERIAL REQUIRED BY THE COLLEGE**

An academic letter of recommendation is required from an advisor or faculty member, or a composite letter from the student's premedical advisory committee. A letter from a Doctor of Podiatric Medicine or other health professional is also required. Letters of recommendation should be submitted directly to the college's admissions office.

Formal campus candidate visits are required and are offered at the discretion of the Office of Admission upon evaluation of the candidate's verified credentials. You will be offered a list of available dates to schedule an official campus visit once the office of admissions has contacted you by telephone or mail.

Address all correspondence to:

Office of Admissions and Recruitment  
Ohio College of Podiatric Medicine  
6000 Rockside Woods Boulevard  
Independence, OH 44131



216-916-7486  
800-238-7903 (TOLL FREE)



[www.ocpm.edu](http://www.ocpm.edu)

**PENNSYLVANIA**

TUSPM is an integral component of Temple University's internationally renowned comprehensive academic health sciences center, joining the schools of medicine, dentistry, pharmacy, and the college of health professions. As a result of this alliance, the school of podiatric medicine is able to provide enhanced clinical, educational and academic research opportunities for its students.

TUSPM offers a four-year professional program leading to the degree of Doctor of Podiatric Medicine (DPM). A joint DPM/PhD program in biomedical engineering is also offered. The combined DPM/MPH and DPM/MBA programs are offered with Temple School of Health Studies and Fox School of Business and Management respectively.

Located in the heart of Philadelphia's historic, cultural, and medical communities, the TUSPM campus is composed of the six-story Academic Building, the Foot and Ankle Institute and the seven-story student apartment complex. All Temple University facilities, services and activities are available to students, including numerous libraries, computer resource centers, and sports and cultural events.

TUSPM students participate in clinical rotations at Temple University Hospitals, which provide a unique opportunity to train with students from Temple's other professional schools, and other health care professionals in the Temple University Health System, including the University's Children's Medical Center.

Additionally, our students gain invaluable experiences as third year students participating in Standardize Patient evaluations as well as training in the TU Health Sciences Center Institute for Clinical Simulation and Patient Safety.

Furthermore, TUSPM is affiliated with over 150 hospitals across the country where our students participate in clinical externships.

The Foot and Ankle Institute experiences, on average for the past 4 years, over 50,000 patient visits per year and has special areas for the care of pediatric, diabetic, vascular disease and sports medicine patients. A new addition to the Institute is the 2,500 square foot full body Physical Therapy Center. The Academic Building provides modern classrooms with state of the art multimedia technology, and teaching laboratories, two outpatient surgery suites, a clinical skills lab, the Bio-materials Research Laboratory and the Gait Study Center, the only diagnostic and research laboratory of its kind at any school of podiatric medicine. The Krausz Library provides the most comprehensive information on podiatric medicine and surgery.

Students can electronically access materials contained within the University library system; additionally, information is available through the Avid database, M.D. Consult and electronic journals. Furthermore, the Student Resource Center, which houses the computer lab, provides access to electronic tutorials, simulated exams and course material. Moreover, each lecture hall is equipped with the “Apresso Technology System”. Via the Internet, our students can access the audio and visual of each class lecture for a period of two years. Princeton Review has ranked Temple University as the fourth most connected campus in the United States.

Support services include a pre-matriculation Summer Academic Reinforcement Program, minority mentoring program, tutoring and both academic & personal counseling.

TUSPM offers a free 3-day winter internship and a free one-week summer internship program (SIP) for students exploring health care career options. Students spend time shadowing podiatric physicians in hospitals, clinics and private practice settings. Additionally, students participate in courses and hands-on activities that are germane to podiatric medicine. The winter program typically takes place the first week in January and the summer program starts the first weekend in June.

TUSPM seeks to enroll students regardless of race, gender, sexual orientation, religion, age, and disability or ethnic origin. Forty-two (42) percent of the students are women and forty-five (45) percent identify themselves as members of minority groups.

- Places available in the Fall entering class: 103

## ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

The minimum requirements are 90 semester hours or equivalent of undergraduate education in an accredited college or university. College credits must include: 2 semesters (8 HRS) or 3 quarters (10-12 HRS). :

- General or Inorganic Chemistry
- Organic Chemistry  
AN ADDITIONAL BIOCHEMISTRY COURSE IS RECOMMENDED, BUT NOT REQUIRED.
- Biology or Zoology  
ADDITIONAL COURSES IN ANATOMY, EMBRYOLOGY, HISTOLOGY, GENETICS, PHYSIOLOGY, MICROBIOLOGY AND CELL BIOLOGY ARE RECOMMENDED.
- Physics
- English (2 semesters or 3 quarters)

\* ALL OF THE ABOVE SCIENCE COURSES MUST INCLUDE A LAB.

**ADMISSION TESTS:** Applicants are required to take the MCAT, DAT, or GRE as early as possible. Tests taken more than three years prior to the year of application are NOT acceptable.

**PERSONAL INTERVIEWS** are required of all applicants under consideration.

The TOEFL is required for students for whom English is not the first language and have not attended an English-speaking university.

## SUPPLEMENTAL MATERIAL REQUIRED BY THE COLLEGE

- One composite letter of recommendation from a pre-professional advisory committee or two letters from science faculty members;
- Two recommendations from health professionals, one of which must be a podiatrist (DPM).

To learn about TUSPM's two "Open Houses" and internship programs contact:

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