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BEING A SCIENCE MAJOR IN COLLEGE PREPARED ME WELL FOR PODIATRIC MEDICAL SCHOOL BECAUSE I HAVE BEEN EXPOSED TO MANY OF THE COURSES LIKE BIOCHEMISTRY, GENETICS, MICROBIOLOGY AND PHYSIOLOGY.

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The best feeling is when your patient walks in with pain, and you can provide a simple procedure that allows them to walk out with immediate relief.
WELCOME LETTER FROM THE AACPM'S EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Dear Colleague,

It is my privilege to provide to you the Podiatric Medical College Information Book for Fall 2019 and Fall 2020 Entering Classes. The newest edition is filled with contemporary career information and complemented with the stories of current students and doctors of podiatric medicine who will inspire you to confidently raise awareness of the career.

The colleges of podiatric medicine and the AACPM are fortunate to have you as a partner in this endeavor – and we thank you for taking the time to motivate your students. Seeking to inspire a student to research a career in podiatric medicine takes ample resources; we aspire to make this conversation easier by providing you with the information you need.

Whether a new advisor or a seasoned veteran, I encourage you to contact a school or college of podiatric medicine or the Association for additional information should you need it. Our Tips for Applying is collaborative advice from the member schools’ top admissions professionals; while the answers to our FAQs are designed to provide you with a more technical expertise to help students navigate the application.

The AACPM is proud to be the nationally recognized educational organization that represents the nine U.S. colleges of podiatric medicine as well as over 200 hospitals and organizations that conduct graduate training in podiatric medicine. The Mission of AACPM is to serve as the leader in facilitating and promoting excellence in podiatric medical education leading to the delivery of the highest quality lower extremity healthcare to the public.

Moraith G. North
Executive Director
American Association of Colleges of Podiatric Medicine

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American Association of Colleges of Podiatric Medicine’s vision is to ensure, through collaboration and other appropriate means, that academic podiatric medicine is a vibrant community of schools and residency programs and other entities staffed with administrators, teachers and researchers capable of educating and training a podiatric workforce relevant to the needs of the public, generating new biomedical knowledge and providing academically based health services.
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PODIATRIC PHYSICIANS rank #7 IN THE US NEWS AND WORLD REPORTS 25 BEST JOBS that pay $100K

ON AVERAGE DPMS EARN $144,000 per year AND WORK ON AVERAGE 40 HOURS per week

THE 4 YEAR PODIATRIC MEDICAL CURRICULUM IS ROBUST & RIGOROUS OFFERING MANY CHALLENGES & MUCH SATISFACTION

AFTER COMPLETING 4 YEARS OF PODIATRIC MEDICAL STUDIES PODIATRIC PHYSICIANS APPLY FOR A COMPREHENSIVE 3 YEAR PODIATRIC MEDICINE & SURGERY RESIDENCY (PMSR)

PODIATRIC PHYSICIANS

400K $144,000 per year
**INTRODUCTION**

Introducing a student to a career in podiatric medicine may be one of the most rewarding conversations you will have as an advisor of the health professions. Being well informed of the practice of podiatric medicine will help facilitate the conversation as you seek to inspire your students to learn more about the profession. The 2019-2020 American Association of Colleges of Podiatric Medicine’s College Information Book (AACPM CIB) aims to guide you through this conversation, arming you with the information you’ll want to present to students.

While investigating careers in medicine, pre-health students are surprised to learn that specialists of the lower extremity follow a distinctive education path, not the traditional medicine path with which they are most familiar. Once students compare the doctor of podiatric medicine (DPM) to other health care practitioners, the choice of podiatric medicine is obvious.

As an advisor, being fluent in the career options podiatric medicine offers can often pique a student’s interest to learn more. Being well versed in the potential income benefits, appealing work-life balance and how to locate a DPM for shadowing opportunities will allow you to confidently suggest podiatric medicine as a career choice. The 2019-2020 AACPM CIB gives you all of these resources, and more.
PART 1

BECOMING A PODIATRIC PHYSICIAN
A podiatrist is a doctor of podiatric medicine (DPM), known also as a podiatric physician or surgeon, qualified by their education and training to diagnose and treat conditions affecting the foot, ankle and related structures of the leg. When treating patients, this system is also known as the lower extremity. Podiatric physicians are uniquely qualified among medical professionals to treat the lower extremity based on their education, training and expertise. Podiatrists are defined as physicians by the federal government.

A DPM is a specialist in the prevention, diagnosis, and treatment of lower extremity disorders, diseases and injuries. A podiatric physician works independently, utilizes x-rays and laboratory tests for diagnostic purposes, prescribes medications, orders physical therapy, sets fractures, and performs surgery. As part of a healthcare team, the DPM works closely with other health professionals to treat and control disease.

A healthy lower extremity is essential to a patient’s overall well-being; it can also be a key indicator of serious health problems. Arthritis, diabetes, nerve and circulatory disorders can be routinely detected in the lower extremity by a DPM. Recent studies have shown that, compared to other healthcare professionals, podiatric physicians are the most proficient at treating diabetic complications in the lower extremity, preventing amputations, reducing hospital stays, and decreasing the economic burden to our health-care delivery systems (Carls, et al., 2011).

Good candidates with which to discuss podiatry careers are students who have medical career interests in sports medicine, surgery, dermatology, pediatrics, radiology, and infectious diseases. They may also express a desire to work one-on-one with patients. Additionally, students with strong business, social, community service and leadership backgrounds will be able to match these interests to a career in podiatric medicine. Students with strong research preparation are able to pursue physician-scientist options within podiatric medicine.

Shadowing a DPM has been proven to be one of the best ways for a student to learn about the countless, positive aspects of a career in podiatric medicine. Students who shadow a DPM are often allowed to watch actual patient procedures, discuss potential diagnoses with the physician or permitted to review diagnostic images with the DPM. The AACPM is proud to host the DPM Mentors Network - a tool for students to locate local DPMs from which to explore careers in podiatric medicine. There are several avenues to assist you in making a referral to a DPM near your campus who is trained in mentoring undergraduate, pre-health students.

To locate a DPM Mentor or Speaker, visit: www.DPMNetwork.org

1 Unpublished data collected annually by the AACPM
Podiatric physicians are highly trained doctors and surgeons who treat one of the most fundamental parts of the body. Feet are complex anatomical structures, all-in-one stabilizers, shock absorbers, and propulsion engines that are instrumental to overall health and well-being. The human foot is a complex structure containing 26 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 interrelationship 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 healthcare team.

Within the profession, podiatric physicians can specialize in a variety of areas such as 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. Podiatric physicians are the only doctors to receive specialized medical and surgical training, and board certification in the care of the lower extremity.

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There are two major certifying boards for podiatric physicians. The American Board of Podiatric Medicine (ABPM) is the certifying board for the specialty areas of podiatric orthopedics and primary podiatric medicine. The American Board of Foot and Ankle Surgery (ABFAS) is the certifying board for the specialty area of foot and ankle surgery. Most podiatric physicians are board certified. Certification is considered to be an earned credential for those podiatric physicians who have achieved higher levels of skill and ability based upon completion of specific advanced training, clinical experiences and examination.

You can help your students understand podiatric medicine by describing to them the different types of patients a DPM sees and treatments a DPM might use.

In a typical practice, a DPM will see a range of patients who present with lower extremity or foot ailments such as trauma, tumors, ulcers, fractures, skin and nail diseases or congenital deformities. DPMs may use high-tech imaging such as MRIs, CTs, X-rays, motion capture software or Doppler sensors to help with their diagnostic processes.

Podiatric physicians treat the full spectrum of patients in their offices, clinics, and surgical centers. Elderly patients enjoy freedom from pain at the hands of a DPM when treated for conditions such as corns, calluses, bunions, heel spurs, arch problems, shortened tendons, cysts, bone disorders, and abscesses. Podiatric patients can be seen for treatment of ingrown toe nails, flat feet or improper foot alignment.

A professional athlete may seek out a DPM who designs mechanical devices to correct running patterns to increase his or her overall ability to move more efficiently; other healthy adults are seen for corrective insert fittings for everyday activities. These devices are called custom orthotics. Some deformities may require podiatric physicians to design custom braces, splints or shoes to correct foot or ankle deformities.

When patients present with trauma related injuries in the Emergency Room, the on-call DPM may cast the patient to stabilize and immobilize the injuries of foot and ankle. These injuries may range from simple conditions, such as sprains, to more serious conditions, such as fractures. When necessary, some patients will be candidates for more invasive, surgical treatments to correct these traumatic injuries.

Podiatric physicians and diabetic patients are a tremendous team when it comes to diagnosing preventable diabetic foot problems. Podiatric physicians are experts in lower extremity amputation prevention. After completing a comprehensive foot examination, a DPM will be able to detect abnormalities or symptoms of neuropathy or vasculopathy that lead to diseases like Charcot in patients with diabetes. According to the National Institutes of Health, diabetes is the seventh leading cause of death in the United States; the Center for Disease Control estimates that 29 million people are living with diabetes in the U.S. currently. Diabetes is also the leading cause of non-traumatic lower-limb amputation. A study by Thomson Reuters Healthcare found that care by a podiatrist can reduce hospitalization for diabetics and save millions in health care costs (Carls et al., 2011).
All patients can expect to be provided individual consultations concerning the continued treatment of their disorders or injuries. A DPM also provides healthy patients with preventive foot care information. A podiatric physician prescribes suitable medication to his or her patients to help alleviate pain, discomfort, or infection. The DPM is a partner in the overall healthcare team, working with other physicians when symptoms observed in the feet indicate disorders, such as diabetes, arthritis, heart disease, or kidney disease.

Most podiatric physicians work in hospitals and clinics. Some DPMs work in private practices and employ support staff and other health professionals. However, not all career paths lead towards patient care solely—some DPMs engage in clinical research trials while others are adept legislators or policymakers. Podiatric physicians serve in the Armed Forces, domestically and abroad. The U.S. Public Health Service, Department of Veterans Affairs, and municipal health departments employ DPMs, both clinically and as public health advocates. Colleges, universities, and major health professional schools provide podiatric physicians opportunities to teach. DPMs are also deans and chairs of academic departments within institutions of higher education.
FROM OFFICE VISITS TO THE OPERATING ROOM, PODIATRY HAD ALL ASPECTS OF MEDICINE THAT I WAS LOOKING FOR.
Kittra Owens, DPM, graduated from Tuskegee University with a Bachelor of Science and Masters of Science Degree in Biology. Her postgraduate education continued at Temple University School of Podiatric Medicine where she earned her Doctor of Podiatric Medicine degree in 2005. Immediately after residency, Dr. Owens was commissioned as an officer in the United States Navy and assigned to Naval Hospital Camp Lejeune (Jacksonville, North Carolina). There she served as Assistant Department Head of Orthopaedics and Orthopaedic consultant for foot and ankle injuries.

Owens deployed to Afghanistan on a Medical Embedded Training Team in support of Operation Enduring Freedom. As the Orthopaedic Trauma Surgeon Mentor to the Afghan National Army, she trained Afghan Orthopaedic Surgeons to manage complex foot and ankle trauma. Dr. Owens is also the podiatric surgeon mentor for the Tour for Diversity in Medicine. The Tour for Diversity in Medicine is a grassroots effort to educate, inspire, and cultivate future minority physicians and dentists.

Currently, Dr. Owens is a podiatric physician with Southern Nevada Veterans Healthcare Administration. She is an Associate with the American College of Foot and Ankle Surgeons and serves as a member of several committees within the American Podiatric Medical Association. Her role as Graduate Medical Education Coordinator for Podiatric Medicine and Surgery at the Southern Nevada VA allows continued involvement in training of Internal Medicine and Podiatric Surgery residents. Owens has devoted herself to improving healthcare through education, clinical care, leadership, and service.

Lowell Weil, Jr., DPM, MBA, FACFAS

Podiatry is an incredibly rewarding branch of medicine for Lowell Weil, Jr., DPM, MBA, FACFAS, who finds deep satisfaction in the fast treatment response among his diverse patient population.

"Unlike some specialties, podiatry can make an immediate, meaningful impact in people’s lives," said Dr. Weil, a graduate of Dr. William M. Scholl College of Podiatric Medicine. "Our patients can walk in today with pain and walk out today with less or no pain."

CEO of the Weil Foot and Ankle Institute, which operates practices in Illinois, Wisconsin and Indiana, Dr. Weil is also a thought-leader, mentor and expert in surgical procedures of foot and ankle problems as well as practice management. He points to the strong link between the rise of the podiatric physician and improved treatment of the foot and ankle.

"Nobody in the world provides better comprehensive foot and ankle care than American podiatry," he said. "The best podiatrists in the U.S. do extremely high-level work, surgical or non-surgical, without a doubt."

Dr. Weil’s areas of special interest include foot and ankle surgery, tendon and ligament reconstruction, chronic heel pain, extracorporeal shock wave therapy, sports medicine and regenerative treatments. He has been instrumental in the diagnosis and innovative surgical management of bunions and plantar plate problems.

"Podiatrists tend to be a very interesting, thoughtful and diverse group of people — incredibly bright people who could be successful no matter what specialty they practice. “But they chose podiatry, a profession that really offers lots of diversity of opportunity,” he said. “We can treat children, geriatric patients, athletes, people with chronic illness and incredibly healthy people. We can do surgery or medicine or both. "Podiatry offers a huge array of ways to impact the world.”
Now is one of the most exciting times for new podiatric physicians entering study and practice. With robust practice options available to graduates, young professionals can expect to change the lives of the patients they treat.

One of the opportunities for future practitioners is the vast number of current DPMs desiring to retire in the next decade. The American Podiatric Medical Association (APMA) reports its average member is 53 years of age and seeks to retire between the ages of 61 and 70. A 2007 study conducted by the Center for Health Workforce Studies at the School of Public Health, University at Albany concluded in order to serve the growing population of patients, the colleges of podiatric medicine will have to increase their production of graduates just to meet the demand (Wing, Forte, Dionne, & Christina, 2008).

Currently, there are approximately 15,000 practicing podiatrists in the United States. After the current U.S. census, that means there are over 20,000 potential patients per practicing podiatrist! According to the Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS), podiatric physicians held over 11,000 full time jobs in 2016. Despite these statistics, employment of podiatrists is projected to grow 10 percent from 2016 to 2026, faster than the average for all occupations, according to the BLS. Additional patients will seek the services of a DPM for lower extremity care due to the rising number of injuries in an active population, the growing rates of obesity and diabetes, and the increasingly older population. Without major advancements to promote podiatric medicine as a career choice now, many patients will go underserved in the near future.

In 2015, APMA members reported earning, on average, $181,120 in the previous year. Twelve percent of respondents earned $250,000 or more in the previous year, while 16.4% of practicing podiatric physicians reported earning less than $100,000.

The largest employers of podiatrists were as follows:

- Group practices with other physicians or specialists 64%
- Practices with only physicians 10%
- Federal government 8%
- Self-employed physicians 7%
- Hospitals; state, local, and private 6%

In May 2017, the median annual wages for podiatrists in the top industries in which they worked were as follows:

- Offices of physicians $175,510
- Offices of other health practitioners $123,160
- Federal government $125,400
- Hospitals; state, local, and private $106,240

In 2018, the median annual wages for podiatrists in the top metropolitan areas were as follows:

- URBAN, MONGOLULU, HI $283,760
- SILVER SPRING-FREDERICK-ROCKVILLE, MD $253,110
- SAN ANTONIO-NEW BRAUNFELS, TX $231,140
- GARY, IN $225,380
- MINNEAPOLIS-ST. PAUL-BLOOMINGTON, MN-WI $219,500
- CHICAGO-NAPERVILLE-ARLINGTON HEIGHTS, IL $208,100
- ALLENTOWN-BETHLEHEM- EASTON, PA-NJ $196,450
- CAPE CORAL-FORT MYERS, FL $196,060
- ST. LOUIS, MO-IL $192,570
- PITTSBURGH, PA $186,780

Podiatric physicians are licensed in all 50 states, the District of Columbia, and Puerto Rico.

ETHNIC IDENTITIES OF PRACTICING PODIATRISTS IN 2018

- White: 61%
- Spanish/Hispanic/Latino/Latina: 2%
- Asian: 5.2%
- Black or African American: 2.4%
- American Indian or Alaska Native: 0.2%
- Did not report: 29.3%

Source: DPMs: Ethnic Identification on Membership Records of APMA, March 2018
Most pediatric physicians choose pediatric medicine for its direct patient experience, work-life balance in a surgical specialty and the income potential in a healthcare occupation. In a recent practice survey, most podiatrists stated they enjoy a 30 to 60 hour work week, with the average DPM working just over 40 hours per week. This is well below the average work week for the most sought after MD and DO specialties (e.g., dermatology [45.5 hours/week] or ophthalmology [47 hours/week] (Dorsey, Jarjoura, & Rutecki, 2003)). There are many additional benefits, however.

Most pediatric physicians enjoy the satisfaction of working one-on-one with their patients. In a 2014 practice survey conducted by the APMA, podiatric physicians reported treating approximately 100 patients per week. This manageable patient load allows for a DPM to provide in-office treatments and focus on patient wellness.

Podiatric physicians are rigorous scholars, curious researchers, and public health advocates with deep commitments to community service and volunteering.

\textbf{WHY CONSIDER A CAREER IN PODIATRIC MEDICINE?}

Some podiatrists will be able to set their own hours but often work evenings and weekends to accommodate their patients. Podiatrists who are affiliated with hospitals or clinics may also have an on-call schedule, where they respond to all lower extremity related emergencies during weekends or evenings. However, most lower-extremity treatments are elective and may be scheduled during normal office hours.

The individual who is called to become a Doctor of Podiatric Medicine joins a community of deeply committed physicians who provide care to vulnerable populations in the U.S. - those who are seeking healthcare for themselves, or seeking healthcare for a loved-one. Podiatric physicians are rigorous scholars, curious researchers, and public health advocates with deep commitments to community service and volunteering. Doctors of Podiatric Medicine perform acts of humanitarianism and outreach, globally, to pursue their passion: excellence in foot and ankle medical care and surgery.

Rewarding patient experiences, fulfilling lifestyle and high income are all unmistakable reasons to explore podiatric medicine as a first-choice medical specialty. It is often said, podiatric medicine is the best kept secret in medicine…

\textbf{WHY PODIATRY?}

\textbf{JACQUELINE BRILL, DPM}

It’s not easy returning from a medical mission, but stepping back into her life in Miami, Florida was particularly difficult for Jacqueline Brill, DPM, after she spent nearly a week in Haiti in 2011. “You feel so much guilt and sadness when you get back home. You want to stay there and keep helping as many people as possible,” Dr. Brill said, her voice cracking.

Brill and a number of other podiatric physicians from the Barry University School of Podiatric Medicine spent time in Haiti as part of the University of Miami’s Project Medishare in a tent hospital outside of the Port-au-Prince airport. Dr. Brill and the medical team saw up to 70 patients per day while working 12-hour shifts. She dealt mainly with post-operative complications from surgeries and amputations, performed in the chaotic days immediately following the earthquake. Dr. Brill also treated acute injuries from car accidents, a gunshot wound on a police officer, and severe fractures from children falling off piles of rubble.

Jackie Brill was destined to find podiatric medicine. She was tracking for allopathic medical school when she happened to visit a podiatrist in her area to receive treatment for a congenital foot deformity. After that consult, she decided to research the career more carefully. All her research into careers in podiatric medicine led Brill to apply to Barry and to find her passion in podiatric surgery. After residency, Dr. Brill was working part-time in private practice and part time at Barry. She was virtually thrust into teaching by a fellow colleague and residency director. “I never thought I’d like it,” she laughed. “I had complete stage fright at first, but then it grew on me.” She now teaches surgery and trauma both in the classroom and the clinic and finds that the best part of each day is imparting knowledge to students. “It’s great to see students absorb the information you are teaching. That’s the part of my job that is so rewarding.”

\textbf{AMOL SAXENA, DPM, FAAPSM, FACFAS}

Two-time Olympic medalist and US Record-holder Galen Rupp from the Nike Oregon Project might be Dr. Amol Saxena’s most famous current patient. And when he partially tore his Achilles tendon in 2016, he turned to his long-time podiatric physician Amol Saxena, DPM for reconstructive surgery. Of Rupp, Dr. Saxena was quoted in Portland’s The Oregonian, “He’s pretty amazing. I’ve treated almost 100 Olympians. He definitely has the highest pain threshold of anybody I’ve treated…It’s one of those things where it’s better to do it (the surgery) when you can plan it. Sometimes (the Achilles) just tears, and you can’t plan for that. The recovery is a lot longer when you completely rupture it. Hopefully it will be better than new.”

Dr. Saxena has been the Nike Oregon Project’s consulting podiatrist since 2006, the same year he began an ESWT clinical trial and developing protocols for the anti-gravity treadmill. Saxena’s most famous current patient. And when he partially tore his Achilles tendon in 2016, he turned to his long-time podiatric physician Amol Saxena, DPM for reconstructive surgery. Of Rupp, Dr. Saxena was quoted in Portland’s The Oregonian, “He’s pretty amazing. I’ve treated almost 100 Olympians. He definitely has the highest pain threshold of anybody I’ve treated…It’s one of those things where it’s better to do it (the surgery) when you can plan it. Sometimes (the Achilles) just tears, and you can’t plan for that. The recovery is a lot longer when you completely rupture it. Hopefully it will be better than new.”

Dr. Saxena discovered podiatric medicine while still enrolled as an undergraduate at Washington University in St. Louis, MO. A collegiate distance runner himself, an injury while in college caused him to seek out treatment from a local DPM. From there, there was no turning back for Saxena. He built a practice in his hometown of Palo Alto, CA, treating patients with sports injuries and who needed foot and ankle surgeries. Saxena is quick to point out, “It does not do all aspects of podiatric medicine and surgery such as, diabetic foot amputations, skin biopsies nor pediatric clubfoot surgery. I think doctors are better when they specialize in the things they have passion for. Mine is getting individuals back to their desired activities. Podiatry has many aspects; you get to help a lot of people achieve their goals, treating all ages, families & activities. It can be a unique combination of surgery, vascular, dermatology, physical therapy, endocrinology, rheumatology.”
Podiatric physicians receive medical education and training comparable to other medical doctors, including four years of undergraduate education, four years of graduate education at a college of podiatric medicine and three years of hospital-based residency training. What a great time to pursue a career in podiatric medicine!

Schools and colleges which offer the doctor of podiatric medicine degree are accredited by the Council on Podiatric Medical Education (CPME). The CPME is designated by the APMA to serve as the accrediting agency for podiatric medical education. The CPME is recognized by the Council on Higher Education Accreditation (CHEA) and by the U. S. Department of Education. Currently, the CPME accredits nine colleges. Some colleges also have the distinction of being Regionally Accredited. For additional information, please refer to:

http://cpme.org

New schools hold a provisional accreditation status during the first years of enrollment. A college granted a provisional accreditation status may admit students and offer podiatric medical instruction. Prior to the graduation of its inaugural class, a provisionally accredited college will show evidence of meeting the standards and requirements of the CPME that will allow it to attain full accreditation.

The four-year podiatric medical curriculum is robust and rigorous, offering students many challenges and much satisfaction.
# Applying to Podiatric Medical School

This table shows a general four-year curriculum; all of the podiatric colleges vary in the course names, durations and in what year the courses are offered. Also, some colleges offer subject-based courses, others offer organ systems-based courses, and others are mixed. Refer to the curriculum pages of college websites for each college’s specific curriculum. Colleges also vary as to when students begin clinical exposure and how often students are in the clinic; there are also differences in when external rotations, known as clerkships, begin and how many rotations are available.

For a more complete look at the podiatric medical curriculum, please refer to:
- [www.aacpm.org](http://www.aacpm.org)
- [www.discoverpodiatricmedicine.org](http://www.discoverpodiatricmedicine.org)

### Year 1

- Anatomy
- Lower Extremity Anatomy
- Biochemistry
- Neurosciences
- Physical Diagnosis
- Physiology
- Introduction to Podiatric Medicine
- Microbiology
- Immunology
- Genetics
- Biomechanics
- Research

### Year 2

- Pathology
- Pharmacology
- Physical Diagnosis
- Microbiology
- Immunology
- Genetics
- Biomechanics
- Research
- Medicine
- Orthopedics
- Podiatric Surgery
- Radiology

### Year 3

- Immunology
- Genetics
- Biomechanics
- Research
- Medicine
- Orthopedics
- Podiatric Surgery
- Radiology

### Year 4

- All colleges offer clinical rotations in emergency medicine, internal medicine, general surgery, & radiology.
- Clerkships

### Other/Electives

- Pediatrics
- Public Health
- Practice Management
- Sports Medicine

Other courses that are unique to a particular school or college

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*Note: Some colleges offer a separate course in a subject (such as embryology), whereas others offer it as part of another course.

**Courses that may be offered in year 1 or year 2

***Dedicated courses that may be offered in year 2 or year 3

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American Podiatric Medical Licensing Examinations (APMLE) 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.

**Part II (CSPE)**

The Clinical Skills Patient Encounter (Part II CSPE) assesses proficiency in podiatric clinical tasks needed to enter residency and is generally taken in the summer prior to the start of the fourth year.

Satisfactory completion of Parts I and II of the APMLE is one of the requirements to start residency training.

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- [www.aacpm.org](http://www.aacpm.org)
- [www.discoverpodiatricmedicine.org](http://www.discoverpodiatricmedicine.org)
In addition, most of the colleges of podiatric medicine offer problem-based learning, computer assisted instruction, or computer simulated patient encounters that complement traditional pedagogical methods.

Many of the colleges of podiatric medicine also offer dual degree opportunities which allow students to tailor their clinical educational needs to a complementary curriculum. Dual degree options range from business management (MBA) to public health (MPH) to doctoral-level research (PhD). Refer to each college description for additional information and admissions information to dual or combined degree programs.
A podiatric residency is postgraduate training and a requirement for all podiatric medical students that have completed four years of professional graduate education and have passed the required national boards, the American Podiatric Medical Licensing Examinations (APMLE) Part I and II. Post graduate training provides podiatric medical graduates with structured learning and exposure to the profession as they transition from student doctors to competent, independent physicians.

The governing body that approves Podiatric Residencies is the Council on Podiatric Medical Education (CPME). Their primary purpose is to promote and assure that podiatric residency programs are meeting high standards and educational quality established by the profession.

Our research has found that applying to surgical residencies remains a highly competitive experience in medical education particularly in MD & DO graduate programs. The AAMC reports that in 2017, 37.8% of the residency applicants applied to general surgery. For foreign medical graduates, the data report shows 36.6% (AAMC, 2017). In contrast, the CPME reports 61% approved residency positions for podiatric medicine and surgery. In 2017, 95% of those that applied for residency were placed. Our medical graduates also have the option of choosing a residency with a credentialing in reconstructive rearfoot/ankle surgery (PMSR/RRA).

The accrediting body for the profession requires all podiatric residency programs encompass both podiatric medicine and surgery. The programs are resource-based, competency-driven, assessment-validated and consist of 3 YEARS of postgraduate training in inpatient and outpatient medical and surgical management of the lower extremity.

Most states will also require a written and/or oral examination prior to licensure. The scope of practice varies from state to state. State licensing requirements generally include graduation from one of the nine accredited colleges of podiatric medicine, passage of the APMLE exams and postgraduate training as well as written and oral examinations.

Additional information regarding board certification can be found by contacting:

AMERICAN BOARD OF PODIATRIC MEDICINE
3812 Sepulveda Boulevard, Suite 530
Torrance, California 90505
310-375-0700
ADMIN@ABPMED.ORG
WWW.ABPM.ORG

AMERICAN BOARD OF FOOT AND ANKLE SURGERY
445 Fillmore Street
San Francisco, CA 94117-3404
415-553-7800
INFO@ABFAS.ORG
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**What makes Podiatric Residency Programs Unique?**

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Additionally, three years of residency training are required for board certification. 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.

All eligible 4th year students participate in a national, centralized application and matching service called the Central 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. All residency programs require that students have successfully completed Part I and Part II of the American Podiatric Medical Licensing (APMLE) Examination to be eligible for a residency.

**Qualifications for Podiatric Medical School**

Successful candidates who apply for entry into one of the nine US colleges of podiatric medicine display positive characteristics of mature adults. Evidence of preparation for a career in medicine, and specifically a career in podiatric medicine, should also be present in each application. Candidates with strong science preparation are preferred.

Attributes of successful candidates also include a strong sense of inter- and intrapersonal communication skills, problem solving proficiency and good time management. Successful candidates also have a demonstrable record of community service or good works, a strong academic record in the sciences, and are well-rounded individuals.

In 2017-2018, 883 individuals applied to at least one of the nine colleges of podiatric medicine. A total of 633 first year students entered into study in the fall of 2018. Women made up 376 (43%) of the applicants and 211 (40%) of matriculating students in 2018.

Underrepresented minority student populations are expected to increase well into the future.
The specific criteria to enter a college of podiatric medicine includes first completing at least three years (90 semester hours or the equivalent) of college credit at an accredited institution. About 98% of the students who enter a college of podiatric medicine have a bachelor’s degree. Of those having earned a degree, most will have studied a life or natural science; however, non-science majors are very successful podiatric medical students. A growing number of candidates have also completed graduate study.

**General Admissions Requirements**

The schools and colleges of podiatric medicine look at many factors when deciding which applicants to accept into their programs. Initially, admissions committees evaluate the applicant’s results from the Medical College Admission Test (MCAT), grade point average (GPA), letters of recommendation, and personal interview. Additional information provided in the application, including leadership, volunteerism, work experience, and demonstrable knowledge of the practice of podiatric medicine, all play a role in the final acceptance decision.

### Top 10 Undergraduate Majors in 2018

- **Biology**: 41%
- **Psychology**: 7%
- **Biochemistry**: 6%
- **Other Science**: 17%
- **Kinesiology**: 9%
- **Business**: 3%
- **Chemistry**: 3%
- **Neuroscience**: 4%

### Summary of Course Prerequisites for Admission to Podiatric Medical School

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### Undergraduate Timeline for Applying to Podiatric Medical Colleges

It’s never too early to start thinking about a career in podiatric medicine. Both advisers and students can use this guide as a general outline of how to prepare to apply to the colleges of podiatric medicine. Please know that applicants can be successful even if they arrive at the decision to apply to podiatry later in their academic career or if they are not “science-majors.” Preparing for a career in podiatry looks a lot like preparing for a career in most medical fields.

**Please refer to the table on pages 35-37.**
I CAN BUILD MY CAREER AROUND MY LIFE, & NOT HAVE TO BUILD MY LIFE AROUND MY CAREER.

I WAS DRAWN TOWARD THE MEDICAL FIELD AT A YOUNG AGE BECAUSE OF MY INTEREST IN SCIENCE AND DESIRE TO HELP OTHERS.

I CHOSE PODIATRY BECAUSE IT WOULD PROVIDE THE OPPORTUNITY TO INCREASE AWARENESS AMONG PATIENTS ABOUT THE IMPORTANCE OF LOWERextremity health.

BE PREPARED TO WORK HARD AND EARN YOUR PLACE AS A PHYSICIAN.
### FRESHMAN
- **Visit [www.discoverpodiatricmedicine.org](http://www.discoverpodiatricmedicine.org) to learn more about careers in podiatric medicine.**
  - Speak with your pre-health advisor to plan coursework for pre-podiatric/pre-medical track.
- **Review the AACPM College Information Book (CIB) online by adding [www.aacpm.org](http://www.aacpm.org) to your favorites.**
  - The CIB includes information for all of the nine US colleges of podiatric medicine, admissions criteria, minimum entrance requirements, and more. While most schools require a minimum of one year of biology, general (inorganic) chemistry, organic chemistry, physics and English, specific requirements vary from school to school.
- **Complete required coursework.**
- **Think about which major and/or minors you may wish to pursue.**
- **Develop good study skills by forming study groups or attending study-skills programs.**
- **Maintain a competitive GPA.**
- **Identify extracurricular activities you enjoy or provide you with an outlet to relieve stress.**
  - Make time to participate.
- **Apply to volunteer or work in a medical setting (i.e., clinic, ER, hospital) during breaks or summer months.**
- **Read articles, research and current interests to learn about podiatric medicine and healthcare in America.**
- **Talk to upper-class, pre-podiatry students.**
- **Shadowing a DPM is excellent exposure to careers in podiatric medicine. Visit our DPM Network to locate a DPM near you: [www.dpmnetwork.org](http://www.dpmnetwork.org)**

### SOPHOMORE
- **Visit [www.discoverpodiatricmedicine.org](http://www.discoverpodiatricmedicine.org) to learn more about careers in podiatric medicine.**
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- **Complete required coursework to keep you on track.**
- **Select major and minor courses of study. Work out any schedule conflicts with graduation requirements and application requirements. Plan for summer school attendance if necessary.**
- **Maintain competitive GPA.**
- **Continue shadowing a variety of DPMs. Visit: [www.dpmnetwork.org](http://www.dpmnetwork.org)**
- **Research podiatric medical school entrance requirements. Review the AACPM’s CIB, which includes descriptions of all of the podiatric medical colleges, admissions criteria, minimum entrance requirements, and more.**
- **Look for and apply to participate in a research study which complements career objectives (with a faculty member or outside campus).**
- **Learn more about podiatric medicine (i.e., shadowing, classmates, advisor, or college websites).**
- **Join your school’s pre-podiatry society if one is available. Or, join your school’s pre-health society to learn more about careers in medicine.**
- **Attend pre-health activities, service opportunities, or meetings.**
- **Explore non-health related community service opportunities through your school or other not-for-profit agency. If possible, continue a few select activities throughout undergraduate career.**
- **Look into paid or volunteer research opportunities during the summer month.**

### JUNIOR
- **Visit [www.discoverpodiatricmedicine.org](http://www.discoverpodiatricmedicine.org) to learn more about careers in podiatric medicine.**
  - Speak with your pre-health advisor to plan coursework for pre-podiatric/pre-medical track.
- **Sign up for committee process (committee letter of recommendation) or letter of recommendation service with advisor, faculty or career services at your school.**
- **Maintain competitive GPA.**
- **Continue to work or volunteer in a medical setting. Obtain letters of recommendation to document the number of hours you have acquired.**
- **Continue shadowing a DPM on a regular basis. Ask for a letter of recommendation to be sent to the schools you have chosen to apply to in August.**
- **Study and register for MCAT.**
- **Take the MCAT.**
- **Visit colleges of podiatric medicine to which you are interested and apply. Attend open houses, or other on-campus events. Most colleges of podiatric medicine offer one-on-one admissions counseling to help answer questions you might have about applying.**
- **Review AACPM’S College Information Book by visiting [www.aacpm.org](http://www.aacpm.org), which includes descriptions of all of the podiatric medical colleges, admissions criteria, minimum entrance requirements, and more.**
- **Look for leadership opportunities on and off campus.**
- **Discuss podiatric medical schools with others: advisors, parents, upper-class students, current podiatry students and DPMs.**
- **Visit AACPM’s website at [www.aacpm.org](http://www.aacpm.org) to learn about applying to the colleges of podiatric medicine; review FAQs and tips for applying.**
- **Research schools and review each school’s required documents early in the spring semester.**
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UNDERGRADUATE TIMELINE FOR APPLYING TO PODIATRIC MEDICAL COLLEGES

SUMMER BEFORE SENIOR YEAR

☐ APPLY — APPLICATIONS OPEN THE FIRST WEDNESDAY IN AUGUST EACH YEAR TO NEW APPLICANTS. APPLICATIONS AND INSTRUCTIONS FOR APPLYING CAN BE FOUND BY VISITING: HTTP://PORTAL.AACPMAS.ORG/

☐ REQUEST OFFICIAL TRANSCRIPTS OF ALL COLLEGE WORK ATTEMPTED.

☐ REQUEST LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION TO BE SENT TO THE COLLEGES YOU PLAN TO APPLY TO IN AUGUST.

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☐ PREPARE FOR SCHOOL INTERVIEWS IN THE FALL.

☐ BUDGET TIME AND FINANCES APPROPRIATELY TO ATTEND INTERVIEWS. INTERVIEWS ARE NOT AN ACCEPTABLE REASON TO MISS LECTURES OR LABS. PLAN ACCORDINGLY.

☐ PARTICIPATE IN A VOLUNTEER OR PAID RESEARCH OPPORTUNITY.

SENIOR

☐ TAKE THE MCAT IF YOU HAVE NOT DONE SO ALREADY.

☐ MEET WITH A PRE-HEALTH ADVISOR TO REVIEW COMPLETED COURSEWORK AND PRE-REQUISITES WHICH ARE IN-PROGRESS (IP) OR PLANNED (PL).

☐ ATTEND INTERVIEWS WITH SCHOOLS.

☐ VOLUNTEER OR WORK IN A MEDICAL SETTING (I.E., CLINIC, ER, HOSPITAL).

☐ CONTINUE EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES AND LEADERSHIP ROLES ON AND OFF CAMPUS.

☐ ACCEPT AN OFFER AND NOTIFY OTHER SCHOOLS OF YOUR FINAL DECISION IN A TIMELY MANNER.

☐ WRITE THANK-YOU NOTES TO REFERENCES AND ADMISSION OFFICERS.

☐ THANK YOUR PRE-MED ADVISOR FOR HIS OR HER ASSISTANCE; APPRIZE THEM OF YOUR FINAL DECISION.

☐ APPLY FOR FEDERAL FINANCIAL AID AND SCHOLARSHIPS FOR WHICH YOU MAY BE ELIGIBLE.

The American Association of Colleges of Podiatric Medicine Application Service (AACPMAS) allows students to apply to all nine of the colleges of podiatric medicine with one online application.

AACPMAS provides a simplified process of applying to the colleges of podiatric medicine. Applicants complete one application and submit it with all official transcripts to the centralized service. AACPMAS verifies the application components for accuracy, calculates the applicant’s grade point averages (GPA), and delivers the materials to the podiatric schools and colleges that the applicant designates. AACPMAS may take up to 5 weeks to process applications once materials have been received.

Official transcripts from each college attended must be sent directly to:

AACPMAS APPLICATION SERVICE
P.O. BOX 9200
WATERTOWN, MA 02471

The fee for using AACPMAS is based on a graduated scale that varies according to the number of colleges an individual designates when submitting an application. Applicants may request that AACPMAS send a completed application to more schools for an additional fee. Applicants can pay the application fee with a credit card once they have e-submitted a completed application.

AACPMAS only accepts MasterCard and Visa.

AACPMAS begins accepting new applications for admission the first Wednesday in August each year for fall admission the following year. Complete and verified applications will be delivered to the designated schools and colleges of podiatric medicine on a daily basis thereafter until the cycle closes.

Application Deadline:
The final application deadline date is June 30th of each year for fall admission of the same year.

Applicants should check with each school or college of podiatric medicine for additional information about final deadlines for submitting materials.
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Letters of recommendation or evaluation will be accepted through AACPMAS via the Letters by Liaison letter service. Some colleges of podiatric medicine will accept letters via outside, confidential letter transmission services (e.g., Interfolio or VirtualEval). Additionally, extraneous materials, (e.g., past achievements, research performed, resumes, diplomas or certificates) can be sent directly to the college(s) designated in the application or brought to the student’s interview.

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Students should make note of their AAMC ID number. This information is transmitted to the AACPMAS during the application process.

To apply now, students should visit: http://portal.aacpmas.org

To have official MCAT scores sent to AACPMAS visit: https://services.aamc.org/mcat/thx/

For additional instructions.

APPlicants 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.

AACPM does not sell or otherwise release addresses, emails, phone numbers or other contact information about applicants to commercial vendors or researchers who are outside AACPM or our member institutions.

AACPM is responsible for providing fair and equitable treatment throughout the application process. Please refer to the aacpm.org web site for a printable copy of the AACPMAS Traffic Rules.

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Applicants are expected to become familiar with admissions requirements, follow application procedures, meet all deadlines at each institution to which they apply and conduct themselves in a professional manner. Additionally, applicants are responsible for the collection and timely submission of letters of evaluation, transcripts, standardized exam scores and applicable fees. Applicants are also responsible for reporting and updating any changes in the initially submitted application (e.g., address, email, academic status and state of residence). Applicants are responsible for responding promptly to all interview invitations and offers of admissions (either to accept or decline). Further, applicants who have made a final decision regarding the podiatric medical school or college they plan to attend have an obligation to promptly withdraw their applications from all other schools. After March 1st, AACPM will promptly begin notifying the podiatric medical schools and colleges the names of candidates who continue to hold one or more deposits at other schools or programs.

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 schools and colleges of podiatric medicine.

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The AACP M encourages each of its member schools and colleges to conduct an application process that is inclusive and professional. The purpose of these traffic rules is to allow prospective students to explore their options within the podiatric medical community, and to give the schools and colleges of podiatric medicine the ability to process, select and matriculate applicants in a fair and timely manner.

Each school or college of podiatric medicine shall publish annually, amend publicly, and adhere to its application, acceptance and admission procedures. Schools or colleges of podiatric medicine may begin extending offers of admission to acceptable candidates any time after the interview. Each school or college’s acceptance deposit shall not exceed $1000. If the applicant enrolls at the college, the school or college is encouraged to credit the deposit toward tuition. Applicants will be requested to submit any necessary documents, including a deposit, according to the following schedule:

- Through February 28, allow 30 days for candidates to respond to offers of admission to have official MCAT scores sent to AACPMAS visit: https://services.aamc.org/mcat/thx/
- Between March 1 and May 31, allow 14 days for candidates to respond to offers of admission.
- After June 1, candidates may be asked for an immediate deposit.

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GET ORGANIZED

- COUNSEL STUDENTS TO GATHER ALL WORK, VOLUNTEER, AND HEALTH CARE EXPERIENCE INTO A DESCRIPTIVE TIMELINE. ENCOURAGE STUDENTS TO KEEP RECORDS OF CONTACT INFORMATION OF THOSE SPECIFIC EXPERIENCES AS WELL.
- ADVISE STUDENTS TO KEEP MERCIFUL RECORDS OF EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES, SCHOLASTIC AWARDS, SCHOLARSHIPS.
- ENCOURAGE STUDENTS TO MAINTAIN A DETAILED RECORD OF THEIR COMMUNICATION WITH EACH DESIGNATED COLLEGE; THIS IS SO THEY CAN KEEP TRACK OF DATES, SUBMITTED INFORMATION AND CONTACTS AT EACH COLLEGE OF PODIATRIC MEDICINE.

WHEN APPLYING

- STUDENTS SHOULD MAKE NOTE OF THEIR AMCC ID NUMBER WHEN REGISTERING FOR THE MATC. THIS INFORMATION IS TRANSMITTED TO THE AACPMAS DURING THE APPLICATION PROCESS.
- ADDITIONAL AND MORE TECHNICAL APPLICATION SUBMISSION FAQS CAN BE FOUND BY VISITING HTTPS://PORTAL.AACPMAS.ORG.

UNDERSTANDING THE PREREQUISITES

- THE PREREQUISITE COURSES LISTED IN THIS GUIDE AND ON THE INDIVIDUAL COLLEGES OF PODIATRIC MEDICINE WEBSITES ARE MEANT TO BE A GUIDELINE FOR THE MINIMUM NUMBER OF COURSES STUDENTS SHOULD COMPLETE IN EACH SUBJECT AREA – IT IS BENEFICIAL TO COMPLETE MORE THAN THE MINIMUM REQUIRED HOURS.
- BEFORE TAKING ANY PREREQUISITE COURSEWORK ONLINE, STUDENTS SHOULD CONTACT THE SCHOOL OR COLLEGE OF PODIATRIC MEDICINE DIRECTLY TO DETERMINE WHAT WILL SATISFY THE PREREQUISITE.
- PREREQUISITE COURSES TAKEN AT AN ACCREDITED JUNIOR OR COMMUNITY COLLEGE MAY NOT SUBTRACT FROM THE MINIMUM REQUIRED HOURS.
- WHEN COMPLETING THE AACPMAS COURSEWORK SECTION, IMPROPERLY LABELED COURSES COULD SIGNIFICANTLY AFFECT A STUDENT’S GPA.

WRITING A PERSONAL STATEMENT

- PERSONAL STATEMENTS SHOULD BE A GENERAL STATEMENT INDICATING THE STUDENT’S DEVELOPMENT FOR A CAREER IN THE PODIATRIC MEDICAL PROFESSION, NOT DIRECTED AT A SPECIFIC SCHOOL.
- PERSONAL STATEMENTS SHOULD BE CHECKED FOR SPELLING AND GRAMMAR PRIOR TO SUBMITTING. CHANGES FOR CONTENT REVISIONS OR TYPOGRAPHICAL ERRORS ARE NOT ALLOWED AFTER THE APPLICATION IS SUBMITTED.
- ENCOURAGE STUDENTS TO HAVE AT LEAST ONE OTHER PERSON READ THE PERSONAL STATEMENT, SEEK HELP FROM THE COLLEGE’S WRITING CENTER, OR ATTEND A WORKSHOP ON WRITING A PERSONAL STATEMENT.
- USUALLY, IT IS ACCEPTABLE TO WRITE ABOUT AN INTERNSHIP EXPERIENCE AT ONE OF THE COLLEGES OF PODIATRIC MEDICINE IN THE PERSONAL STATEMENT. THE ADMISSIONS COMMITTEE IS MAINLY INTERESTED IN HOW YOU OBTAINED KNOWLEDGE OF THE PROFICIENCY AND YOUR INSIGHT FROM THE EXPERIENCE.

BACCALAUREATE DEGREES

- GENERALLY SPEAKING, A BACCALAUREATE DEGREE IS NOT A PRE-REQUISITE FOR ACCEPTANCE INTO A COLLEGE OF PODIATRIC MEDICINE.
- IF A STUDENT IS PLANNING TO MATRICULATE INTO A DPM PROGRAM AFTER COMPLETION OF ONLY 90 SEMESTER HOURS OF UNDERGRADUATE COURSEWORK, IT IS IMPORTANT TO DETERMINE - IN ADVANCE - IF THEY WILL BE ELIGIBLE FOR A BACHELOR’S DEGREE AT THE COLLEGE OF PODIATRIC MEDICINE. MOST SCHOOLS AND COLLEGES OF PODIATRIC MEDICINE ARE NOT UNDERGRADUATE DEGREE GRANTING INSTITUTIONS; THEREFORE THEY ARE UNABLE TO AWARD A BACCALAUREATE DEGREE UPON COMPLETION OF THE FIRST YEAR OF DPM COURSEWORK IN THEIR PROGRAM.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Q: A STUDENT APPLIED LAST YEAR AND IS NOW REAPPLYING. CAN APPLICATIONS FROM LAST YEAR BE RE-SUBMITTED?
A: IF YOU APPLIED TO AACPMAS IN THE PREVIOUS CYCLE, YOU CAN COPY DATA FROM YOUR PREVIOUS APPLICATION. JUST LOG IN TO AACPMAS WITH THE SAME USERNAME AND PASSWORD FROM THAT CYCLE AND YOU WILL BE WALKED THROUGH THE RE-APPLICANT PROCESS. IF YOU CREATE A NEW ACCOUNT USING A NEW EMAIL ADDRESS, YOU WILL NOT BE PROMPTED TO COPY DATA FROM THE PAST APPLICATION.

Q: IS SHADOWING A DPM REQUIRED TO APPLY?
A: IT IS COMMONLY ACCEPTED THAT STUDENTS SHOULD BE KNOWLEDGEABLE ABOUT THE PODIATRIC MEDICAL PROFESSION PRIOR TO APPLYING; MOST STUDENTS WILL GAIN KNOWLEDGE OF THE PRACTICE OF PODIATRIC MEDICINE THROUGH THE ACT OF SHADOWING. IN MANY CASES, STUDENTS WILL BE ASKED TO SUBMIT A LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION FROM A PRACTICING DPM PRIOR TO MATRICULATING. STUDENTS WILL WANT TO CHECK THE INDIVIDUAL SCHOOLS AND COLLEGES FOR SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS AND MINIMUM ACCEPTABLE HOURS.

Q: CAN STUDENTS APPLY TO OTHER HEALTH DISCIPLINES SCHOOLS WHILE APPLYING TO THE COLLEGES OF PODIATRIC MEDICINE?
A: YES, STUDENTS MAY HAVE APPLICATIONS TO MULTIPLE HEALTH DISCIPLINES SCHOOLS SUBMITTED AT THE SAME TIME. THE APPLICATION PROCESSES ARE SIMILAR, IN SOME CASES, BUT INDEPENDENT OF EACH OTHER. PLEASE REVIEW THE AACPMAS INSTRUCTIONS BEGINNING ON PAGE 35 CAREFULLY AND MAKE SURE THAT YOU HAVE COMPLETED EACH STEP. DON’T FORGET TO INCLUDE THE REASONS THAT YOU WANT TO STUDY PODIATRIC MEDICINE IN YOUR PERSONAL STATEMENT, AND DURING YOUR INTERVIEW.

Q: WHEN ADVISING STUDENTS INTO POST-BACCALAUREATE PROGRAMS VERSUS GRADUATE SCIENCE STUDY, DO THE COLLEGES OF PODIATRIC MEDICINE PREFER ONE FORM OF PREPARATION OVER THE OTHER?
A: IN MOST INSTANCES, IT WILL DEPEND ON THE SITUATION. STUDENTS WHO ARE IN NEED OF ACADEMIC PREPARATION MAY BENEFIT FROM POST-BACCALAUREATE STUDY; STUDENTS IN NEED OF ACADEMIC REMEDIATION MAY HAVE MORE OPPORTUNITY TO DEMONSTRATE ACTUAL ABILITY THROUGH GRADUATE SCIENCE PROGRAMS DESIGNED TO ENHANCE THE ACADEMIC RECORD.

Q: WHERE SHOULD TRANSCRIPTS BE SENT, AND ARE THERE FORMS THAT MUST ACCOMPANY THE TRANSCRIPTS?
A: THE INSTITUTIONS ATTENDED SECTION OF THE AACPMAS APPLICATION ALLOWS STUDENTS TO PRINT TRANSCRIPT REQUEST FORMS. AACPMAS STRONGLY RECOMMENDS THAT STUDENTS PRINT AND ADVISE THEIR REGISTRAR’S OFFICE TO ATTACH A TRANSCRIPT REQUEST FORM TO THE OFFICIAL TRANSCRIPT. THIS FORM HELPS AACPMAS PROPERLY MATCH THE OFFICIAL TRANSCRIPTS TO THE AACPMAS APPLICATION. IF THE STUDENT’S CURRENT NAME IS DIFFERENT FROM THE NAME LISTED ON THE TRANSCRIPT, THEY MUST INCLUDE BOTH THE CURRENT AND FORMER NAME ON THE TRANSCRIPT REQUEST FORM. TRANSCRIPTS MUS NOT SENT DIRECTLY FROM THE REGISTRAR’S OFFICE. PLEASE DIRECT THE OFFICE OF REGISTRARS TO SEND OFFICIAL TRANSCRIPTS TO THE FOLLOWING ADDRESS:
AACPMAS TRANSCRIPT PROCESSING CENTER
P.O. BOX 9200
WATERTOWN, MA 02471

AACPMAS NOW ACCEPTS TRANSCRIPTS SENT ELECTRONICALLY FROM CREDENTIALS SOLUTIONS. PLEASE REFER TO PAGE 35 FOR ONLINE INFORMATION.

Q: CAN I WRITE A LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION FOR A STUDENT, AND WILL THIS BE SUBMITTED FOR A FACULTY LETTER?
A: IN MOST CASES, WHEN A COMMITTEE LETTER IS NOT AVAILABLE, A LETTER FROM THE STUDENT’S PRE-HEALTH ADVISOR IS ACCEPTABLE SUBSTITUTE FOR ONE NON-SCIENCE, FACULTY LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION.

Q: A STUDENT PREVIOUSLY APPLIED TO MD AND/OR DO PROGRAMS. CAN LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION OR A COMMITTEE EVALUATION BE RE-USED FOR THE DPM APPLICATION?
A: STUDENTS PURSUING ENTRY INTO ONE OF THE NINE COLLEGES OF PODIATRIC MEDICINE ARE CONSIDERED TO BE “PRE-MEDICAL” STUDENTS; ACCEPTABLE LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION OFTEN ADDRESS STUDENTS’ PREPAREDNESS FOR A CAREER IN MEDICINE. STUDENTS SHOULD BE ENCOURAGED TO SUBMIT ADDITIONAL LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION THAT ADDRESS THEIR RECENT PREPARATION FOR A CAREER IN PODIATRIC MEDICINE.

Q: ARE AP CREDITS ACCEPTED FOR PRE-REQUISITE COURSES AT THE COLLEGES OF PODIATRIC MEDICINE?
A: IN MOST CASES, YES. STUDENTS SHOULD CHECK WITH EACH SCHOOL OR COLLEGE TO SEE WHICH AP CREDITS ARE ACCEPTED.
Many private scholarships have a financial need requirement; in most instances, students will need to file a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) with the government so that their need can be determined.

Organizations such as the American Podiatric Medical Association (APMA), the American Association of Women Podiatrists (AAWP), and the Podiatry Insurance Company of America (PICA) are just a few examples of agencies providing scholarships to students.

INDIAN HEALTH SERVICE SCHOLARSHIPS

Native Americans and Alaskan Natives are eligible to apply for an Indian Health Service Scholarship. The purpose of the IHSS is to provide an incentive for Native people to seek education in the health fields, and ensure that Native people will ultimately serve their tribal communities, whether on reservations or in urban Indian health clinics. A service commitment is required for scholarship participation.

For more information and to obtain an application, contact:

INDIAN HEALTH SERVICE SCHOLARSHIP
TWINBROOK METRO PLAZA - GRANT MANAGEMENT BRANCH
12300 TWINBROOK PARKWAY SUITE 100
ROCKVILLE, MD 20852
301-443-6197

SCHOLARSHIPS FOR DISADVANTAGED STUDENTS:
The Scholarships for Disadvantaged Students program provides grant assistance to needy students who are determined to be educationally or economically disadvantaged. Students must supply complete parental financial data on their Free Application for Federal Student Aid to be considered.

Funding is dependent on federal appropriations, and the amount available at each college varies per year. The Financial Aid Office at the institution they plan to attend for more information.

ARMED FORCES HEALTH PROFESSIONS SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM (HSPS) AND HEALTH SERVICES COLLEGE PROGRAM (HSCP)
The Department of Defense offers funding for a wide range of podiatric medical educational expenses in exchange for an active duty military service commitment. Applications are handled by local area military recruiters. Prospective applicants should meet with a Navy recruiter for more information. They may also want to speak with current Navy podiatric physicians who can provide a fuller perspective on the practice of military medicine.

NAVY HSPS AND HSCP:
WWW.NORTHNAVY.COM/NAVY/JOBS/CAREERS/HEALTHCARE/
CLINICAL-CARE/PODOLOGY
NAVY RECRUITING COMMAND
5722 INTEGRITY DR., BLDG. 784
MILLINGTON, TN 38054-5057
800-USA-Navy

INTERNATIONAL APPLICANTS

An international student is a native of a foreign country and plans to study in the U.S. on a student visa. International applicants are eligible for admission to select U.S. colleges of podiatric medicine, if they meet the minimum admission standards. For restrictions and requirements, please see the individual college descriptions. Admission requirements for international students will be posted by each college of podiatric medicine. However, most schools and colleges of podiatric medicine require international students to complete all the application materials mandated for U.S. citizens and permanent residents.

In addition, international students may be asked to take the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) or demonstrate English language proficiency. International students should expect to finance the entire cost of their podiatric medical education; they should also be prepared to show evidence of funding prior to being issued the appropriate travel documents.

Applicants who have completed coursework outside the U.S. (except through study abroad) should supply their official foreign transcripts to an approved foreign transcript evaluation service for a course-by-course U.S. equivalency report. They must arrange for the foreign transcript reports to be sent directly to AACPMAS from the foreign transcript evaluation agency. Contact the foreign transcript evaluation service as early as possible. The services may take several weeks to process a foreign transcript, once it is received.

Official copies of foreign transcripts should not be sent to AACPMAS. AACPMAS only accepts the official foreign credential evaluation. Applicants should check with each designated program for further instruction for submitting documentation of foreign coursework.

International students should be mindful that obtaining a residency program in the U.S. is challenging for some graduates. Many hospitals do not wish to accept the legal responsibility of sponsoring podiatric physicians for their graduate medical education (residency) programs. Each school or college of podiatric medicine accepting international students provides them with adequate graduate placement counseling; however, the student still bears the responsibility to procure a U.S. residency. Additional resources and information can be found by visiting www.AACPM.org/residencies.

It is strongly recommended that international students begin researching graduate medical education programs as early as possible to determine which residency programs of interest will sponsor them. International students should begin the process as early as the first year of study.

Please note, students who have permanent residency status in the U.S. are not considered international students; they have the same rights, responsibilities, and options as U.S. citizens applying for admission to college of podiatric medical and residency.

Below is a list of suggested services for the translation and review of foreign transcripts; however, check with your designated programs for final approval.

WORLD EDUCATION SERVICES
BOWLING GREEN STATION
P.O. BOX 5087
NEW YORK, NY 10274-5087
212-966-6311
WWW.WES.ORG

JOSEPH SILNY & ASSOCIATES, INC.
7301 SW 302 AVE.
MIAMI, FL 33173
305-273-1626
WWW.JSILNY.COM

EDUCATION CREDENTIAL EVALUATORS
PO BOX 514070
MILWAUKEE, WI 53209-3470
414-289-3400
WWW.WCE.ORG
ADVANCED STANDING APPLICATIONS OR TRANSFER APPLICATIONS
Advanced standing is a designation reserved for a candidate who is exempted from certain first-year, basic science courses or is accepted as a second- or third-year student. Advanced standing is offered at the time of admission to candidates who have mastered some aspect of the podiatric medical school curriculum due to prior training.

Some colleges of podiatric medicine may also offer advanced standing to students who have been granted transfer admission from another U.S. podiatry school. In these cases, applicants may be allowed to enter as first- or second-year students with a modified schedule.

Each college of podiatric medicine has its own policy on advanced standing and transferring students. Individuals inquiring about a special admission should contact the college’s office of admission for specific details. It is significant to know that most students do not obtain advanced standing and that very few students transfer from one school to another.

COMBINED AND DUAL DEGREE PROGRAMS
Individuals enrolling in a school or college of podiatric medicine may be eligible to enroll in a combined or dual degree program leading to a professional credential in business, health administration, public health, or health education. Some colleges offer graduate, science education designed to help students enhance their careers in podiatric medicine—options range from scientific research to academic medicine. These options allow students to combine their clinical skills and abilities with knowledge gained in graduate, professional programs.

For a complete description of dual degree and combined degree study, please see the individual college descriptions. For admissions information into one of these programs, consult the appropriate office of admission.

CRIMINAL BACKGROUND CHECK AND FINGERPRINTING
In recent years, many state legislatures have passed bills obligating institutions to conduct criminal background checks for matriculating medical students, inclusive of podiatric medical students. Additionally, affiliated hospitals and clinical training locations have enacted policies requiring criminal background checks for medical students, including podiatric medical students, completing clinical rotations at their facilities. Currently, the Department of Veterans Affairs mandates that all medical students, including podiatric medical students, involved in patient care at its hospitals be subject to criminal background checks.

While a criminal background check is not part of the AACPMAS application for the 2019 cycle, all podiatric medical schools require criminal background checks of all matriculating students and again prior to the start of clinical rotations.

It is the student’s responsibility to become knowledgeable about what will be required of him or her during the application process.

When an individual completes the AACPMAS application process, the applicant will be asked to disclose information regarding prior criminal offenses. Failure to truthfully disclose such offenses on the AACPMAS application may result in an offer of admission being rescinded; if the omission is discovered after enrollment in podiatric medical school, the student may be subjected to disciplinary actions, up to and including dismissal.

DIVERSITY
Podiatric medicine embraces a multitude of diverse students and practicing podiatric physicians. Nearly 33% of students currently enrolled in a college of podiatric medicine self-report identifying as a student of color, while nearly 10% of practicing, podiatric physicians are under-represented minorities. The colleges of podiatric medicine actively recruit students from all ethnic backgrounds, races and genders. AACPMAS, its parent organization, AACPM, and the colleges adhere to all legal requirements, including the Americans with Disabilities Act.

NON-TRADITIONAL STUDENTS
The podiatric medical profession has a venerable tradition of assisting mature and second-career students into study and practice. The podiatric medical colleges and AACPM welcome admission inquiries from individuals trained in other health professions. In most cases, these individuals must complete the entire curriculum at an accredited podiatric medical school and they must complete a residency. It is up to the individual school or college to determine if credit for prior course work will be awarded. Contact the admissions department at a college for specific information.

1 UNPUBLISHED APMA DATA FROM 2010.
The Midwestern University (MWU) Arizona School of Podiatric Medicine (AZPOD) is a 4-year program whose core curriculum is similar to that of allopathic and osteopathic medical schools. Courses in the clinical sciences are integrated with basic science courses during the first two years of the curriculum. Clinical courses continue through the summer and part of the fall quarter of the third year. All basic science courses and some clinical courses are shared with osteopathic medical students. Students begin part-time clinical rotations in the second year. Full-time clinical training occupies eight months of the third year and all of the fourth year. The overall goal of the School is to prepare the finest possible podiatric physicians for entry into residency training. Third and fourth year students complete clinical rotations in private practices, hospitals, and clinics. During these rotations, they learn how to take general and podiatric histories, perform routine physical examinations, interpret tests and imaging, make diagnoses, and perform therapeutic procedures. AZPOD offers innovative instructional and learning techniques and 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 elective rotations are available to podiatric medical students attending Midwestern University.

The integration of podiatry with the other health sciences disciplines at Midwestern University more fully prepares graduates to function effectively in the increasingly multidisciplinary care patterns of the future. Through the rigorous curriculum at Midwestern University, podiatry students gain the requisite medical knowledge and practical skills necessary to excel on board exams and in residency and practice. Through an extensive program of community service, AZPOD students develop an appreciation for the importance of ethics and professionalism in combination with compassion and cultural sensitivity.

MISSION STATEMENT:
The mission of the Midwestern University Arizona School of Podiatric Medicine is to prepare quality students to enter residency through rigorous education and training, and to exceed professional standards.

The vision of the Arizona School of Podiatric Medicine is to demonstrate excellence in podiatric medical education. The school strives to cultivate diversity and promote professionalism in an interdisciplinary environment through exemplary:

- Curriculum
- Service to community
- Scholarly activity
- Patient care
- Post doctoral education
Baccalaureate degree preferred: Yes
Acceptable minimum number of semester hours: 90
Quarter unit hours: 135
Accepts advanced placement (AP) credits: Yes
Academic preparedness of 2018 entering class:
Baccalaureate: 38
Masters: 3
Ph.D. or other doctorate: 0

Prospective students may prepare themselves for the medical school curriculum by enrolling in undergraduate courses in subjects that will be encountered at the pre-doctoral level such as anatomy, physiology, or biochemistry. Students would also benefit from completing a medical terminology course or self-study workbook. Prospective students should have a minimum of 12 hours of shadowing a DPM.

**MCAT**
Mandatory on-campus interview: Yes

**APPLICATION PROCESS**

**APPLICATION SERVICE:** AACPMAS

**Earliest filing date:** Opening date of AACPMAS

**Latest filing date:** The final application deadline date is June 1st of each year for fall admission of the same year.

**Supplemental application required:** No

**Recommendation letters:** No

Send letters of recommendation by:
Letters by liaison: Yes
Paper: Yes
Interfolio: Yes
Virtual Eval: Yes

**Mandatory on-campus interview:** Yes

**ENTERING CLASS DEMOGRAPHICS**

- **Male:** 72%
- **Female:** 28%
- **Age:** Range: 21 - 38
  Average: 25

**WHITE:** 80%
**SPANISH/HISPANIC/LATINO/LATINA:** 10%
**ASIAN:** 10%
INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

An international applicant must complete a minimum of 30 semester hours of coursework from a regionally accredited college or university in the United States, or from a recognized post-secondary Canadian institution that uses English as its primary language of instruction and documentation. Of the 30 semester hours, 15 hours must be in the sciences, six hours in non-remedial English composition, and three hours in speech/public speaking.

Applicants who wish to receive transfer credit for prerequisite coursework completed outside the US or at a Canadian institution that does not use English as its primary language of instruction and documentation must submit an official, detailed, course-by-course evaluation obtained from one of the following evaluation services:

- Evaluation Services, Inc.: 248-256-9555, www.sifasi.com
- World Education Services: 212-923-7300, www.wes.org

All accepted International matriculants who are requesting an F-1 student visa or who are not U.S. citizens/permanent residents/eligible non-citizens must prepay tuition, and in some cases other mandatory program fees for the first year of their educational program 45 days prior to the first day of the first quarter of each academic year. Furthermore, the student must prepay tuition and in some cases other mandatory program fees for each successive year at the start of each academic year on the University’s stated due date.

FINANCIAL AID AND SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION

Scholarships for Podiatric Medicine Students:

- American Association of Women Podiatrists Founders Scholarship
- American College of Foot and Ankle Surgeon’s Division IV Student Travel Scholarship
- American College of Foot and Ankle Surgeon’s Division VIII New England States Scholarship
- APMA Educational Foundation
- Basil M. Tucker Scholarship
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- Indian Health Service Health Professions Scholarship
- Podiatry Foundation of Pittsburgh Scholarship
- Podiatry Insurance Company of America (PICC)
- Vichy Memorial Scholarship (ASPMAT)
- Western Interstate Commission for Higher Education (WICHE)

Additional information about financial aid can be found at: [http://www.midwestern.edu/programs-and-admission/financial-aid/scholarships.html](http://www.midwestern.edu/programs-and-admission/financial-aid/scholarships.html)

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EXTRAS

For the most up to date information, please visit the college’s website:

facebook.com/pt/pages/arizona-school-of-podiatric-medicine/197864262634327

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GENERAL INFORMATION

The California School of Podiatric Medicine (CSPM) was founded in 1914 and is known for its hands-on, early approach to clinical education. Clinical rotations begin at the start of the second academic year in late May to early June.

During the summer months, second year students begin to participate in clinical rotations, which cover mechanical orthopedics, radiology, general and primary podiatric medicine. The majority of the third year and the entire fourth year are devoted to clinical rotations at inpatient and outpatient facilities, community practice clerkships, and outside clerkships at affiliated Bay Area medical centers and throughout the United States. The educational program leading to the Doctor of Podiatric Medicine degree consists of a comprehensive curriculum in the basic medical and clinical sciences. The didactic course work is completed during the first three years of the program. Demonstrating academic excellence in podiatric medical education for over a century, CSPM offers a number of advantages to students.

MISSION STATEMENT:
The California School of Podiatric Medicine is committed to provide excellent podiatric medical education across the spectrum of healthcare delivery, meaningful community service, and innovative research.

VISION STATEMENT:
To achieve this mission we will treat everyone with compassion and respect, work cooperatively and inter-professionally, hold ourselves to the highest levels of ethical conduct, continuously strive to improve our performance, and manage our resources prudently.

VALUES STATEMENT:
We are committed to:

- Advocate and maintain a culture of dignity, compassion and respect.
- Promote diversity in scholarship, service and research.
- Utilize a multi-disciplinary approach to education, research and healthcare delivery.
- Provide podiatric care and treatment to the underserved.
- Encourage and support scholarly activity and research.
- Foster the principles of lifelong, self-directed learning.

TYPE OF INSTITUTION: PRIVATE
DATE FOUNDED: 1914
TERM TYPE: SEMESTER
CAMPUS SETTING: URBAN
CAMPUS HOUSING: NO
ENTERING CLASS SIZE: 48
Baccalaureate degree preferred: Yes

Acceptable minimum number of semester hours: 90
Quarter unit hours: 135

Accepts advanced placement (AP) credits: Yes

Academic preparedness of 2018 entering class:
Baccalaureate: 38  # of students applied: 370
Masters: 7     # of students MATRICULATED: 45
Ph.D. or other doctorate: 0

Preparation extras:
The California School of Podiatric Medicine accepts a maximum of 60 community college credits.

Advanced placement credits are accepted for prerequisite coursework; however, the student must prove they can be successful in upper division science courses.

In regards to letters of recommendation from a practicing podiatric physician, there is no maximum or minimum number of shadowing hours.

Advanced standing/transfer policy: Eligible students will not be considered beyond the first semester of year two. Must have a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.00, cannot have received any failing grades or be in jeopardy of receiving failing grades at the prior podiatric medicine or other medical school, or have a record of disciplinary proceedings. The student’s first year curriculum must parallel CSPM’s first year curriculum to be considered for advanced standing beyond the first year.

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APPLICATION PROCESS

Application Service: AACPMAS

Earliest filing date: Opening date of AACPMAS

Supplemental application required: No

Recommendation Letters: Yes

1. One letter of recommendation from a practicing podiatric physician.
2. Two letters of recommendation from college faculty or a letter of recommendation from a pre-professional advisory board.

Send Letters of Recommendation by:

Letters by liaison: Yes
Interfolio: Yes
Virtual Evals: No

Send paper letters to:
California School of Podiatric Medicine
Office of Admission
3100 Telegraph Avenue, Suite 1000
Oakland, CA 94609

Mandatory on-campus interview: Yes

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Age:

Range: 23 - 43
Average: 27
All international applicants (including Canadian citizens) have special requirements. Please contact the Office of Admission for details (admission@samuelmerritt.edu). International applicants are strongly encouraged to observe the priority deadline of April 1; obtaining a student visa can take up to three months. All foreign academic transcripts must be evaluated by a U.S. evaluation service that is a member of the National Association of Credential Evaluations Services (NACES) for degree, course content, semester unit equivalencies, and science and cumulative GPAs prior to the application deadline. Information on NACES may be found at www.naces.org.

International students whose primary language is not English must submit scores from the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL). If the TOEFL is required, a minimum internet based test (iBT) score of 100 must be achieved and official scores must be provided. In addition, applicants must take the Test of Spoken English (TSE).

For admission to the CSPM, applicants are required to have earned a minimum of 90% of the last five graduating classes found in their clinical competencies. Of the past five graduating classes surveyed, the Graduating students most often cite the overall education received, as well as the faculty, as top reasons for recommending CSPM to others.

Here are some particular strengths you can expect from your CSPM investment and education:

- 91% of the last five graduating classes found employment in their field within 6 months after completion of their residency.
- Graduating students most often cite the overall education received, as well as the faculty, as top reasons for recommending CSPM to others.
- Of the past five graduating classes surveyed, the students rated themselves as being “well prepared” in their clinical competencies.

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Each podiatric medical college makes every effort to provide accurate, current information. Tuition and fees are subject to change without notice. For the most up-to-date information, please visit the college’s financial aid website.

Samuel Merritt University is a proud participant in the Yellow Ribbon Program established by the Post-9/11 Veterans Educational Assistance Act of 2008.

For eligibility information regarding the Yellow Ribbon Program, please visit: www.gibill.va.gov.
WesternU’s College of Podiatric Medicine, founded in 2007, is different. The ground-breaking curriculum uses a new approach to podiatric medicine based on real world case studies, non-textbook critical thinking, problem solving, and skill building in an interactive team approach. Our four-year program allows you to learn with an integrated team of health professionals in a part of the country with a wealth of clinical opportunities.

In keeping with APMA’s “Vision 21st Century Path to Parity” between allopathic, osteopathic and podiatric medicine, the first two years of the curriculum at WesternU’s College of Podiatric Medicine is the same as our College of Osteopathic Medicine of the Pacific. WesternU’s focus on an interprofessional curriculum provides a forum to collaborate and learn with students in other health-care programs. The curriculum will deliver an opportunity for early networking with other health professionals and ultimately prepare you to better serve your patients.

The podiatric medicine program is housed in our new $100 million building, outfitted with the newest and latest educational technology, in sunny Southern California. This curriculum was developed by an internationally renowned team with over 85 years of podiatric medical experience: Drs. Lawrence Harkless, Lester Jones, and Robert Christman are recognized for their leadership in the diabetic foot, biomechanics and radiology fields.

**Mission Statement:**
The mission of Western University of Health Sciences College of Podiatric Medicine is to mentor and educate students by providing innovative educational experiences, including interprofessional patient care, and producing in them a passion to improve the lives of others.

**Preparation (Continued)**

### Prerequisite

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**Preparation Extras:**

We recommend shadowing a podiatric physician prior to application. If you need assistance locating a DPM in your area, please contact us for a referral. WesternU’s College of Podiatric Medicine requires a DPM letter of recommendation prior to matriculation.

**MCAT:**

- **Mandatory**
- MCAT exams taken more than three (3) years prior to the start of the application are not acceptable.

**Latest MCAT Test Administration Acceptable for Application Cycle:** June (But earlier test date highly recommended)

**2018 MCAT Results**

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**Application Process**

**Earliest Filing Date:** Opening date of AACPMAS

**Latest Filing Date:** The final application deadline date is June 30th of each year for fall admission of the same year

**Supplemental Application Required:** No
**APPLICATION PROCESS (CONTINUED)**

**RECOMMENDATION LETTERS**: YES

WUCPM requires one letter of recommendation from a practicing podiatric physician.

**SPECIAL PROGRAMS AND SERVICES**

- **PRE-UNIVERSITY**: NOT REPORTED

**CURRENT STUDENT SERVICES**

- Academic Counseling and Tutoring
- Internships, Externships, or Extramural Programs
- Community Service Opportunities
- Personal Counseling
- Professional and Career Development Programming
- Mentoring
- Training for Those Interested in Academic Careers

**ACTIVE STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS**

- 130+ Diverse Clubs and Interest Groups

**Mandatory on-campus interview**:

Western University of Health Sciences, College of Podiatric Medicine

360 East Second Street

Pomona, CA 91766

**Send paper letters to**: Western University of Health Sciences, College of Podiatric Medicine Attn: DPN Admissions 360 East Second Street Pomona, CA 91766

**Send paper letters to (continued)**:

- Paper: Yes
- Virtual Evals: Yes
- Letters by Liaison: Yes
- Interfolio: Yes

**Send Letters of Recommendation by**:

- Practicing podiatric physician.

**Recommendation Letters**:

- California

**Enter Letters of Recommendation by**:

- Practicing podiatric physician.

**International Students**

All coursework taken from non-US institutions, including Canada, must be submitted to an approved service for evaluation.

- World Education Services
  - Bowling Green Station
  - P.O. Box 5087
  - New York, NY 10274-5087
  - 212-966-6311
  - www.wes.org
- Josef Silny & Associates (JSA)
  - 7101 SW 102 Avenue
  - Miami, FL 33173
  - (305) 273-1616

**Entering Class Demographics (continued)**

**Age**: Range: 21 - 44

Average: 26

- **Male**: 58%
- **Female**: 42%

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**Combined Degrees Offered**

- M.B.A.
- M.P.H.
- M.S.
- Ph.D.
- Other

**Entering Class Demographics**

- California

**Entering Class Demographics (continued)**

- **White**: 32%
- **Spanish/Hispanic/Latino/Latina**: 13%
- **Asian**: 52%
- **Unknown**: 1%

**Estimated Living Expenses**

- **Includes Room & Board, Transportation, Personal**

**Estimated Tuition**

**First Year**

- **Tuition**: $28,660
- **Fees**: $1,184
- **Books, Supplies & Instruments**: $2,379

**Financial Aid and Scholarship Information**

Students can expect the same treatment from WesternU that a patient should expect from an able health professional. This is especially true at the Financial Aid Office, where students can depend on friendly professionals who can answer questions, assist with paperwork and help identify possible funding resources. Financial aid counselors are available to meet one-on-one. They will take the time to examine each individual financial situation, and help to generate ideas for the best funding solution for students and their families.

Students should investigate the various federal, state, and other public and commercial funding sources available to help pay for their education. Additionally, there is another major sector that provides crucial support to WesternU students. It is the world of private philanthropy: those individuals, corporations, and foundations who willingly accept the responsibility of serving as good citizens of the larger society. These benefactors contribute to assisting students in achieving their educational goals and ultimately to the quality of health-care delivered to the public.

More information on financial aid and scholarship opportunities can be found at:

**HTTP://WWW.WESTERNU.EDU/FINANCIAL-ABOUT**
BARRY UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF PODIATRIC MEDICINE
Dean: Albert Armstrong Jr., DPM, MS, BSRT

GENERAL INFORMATION

Barry University’s School of Podiatric Medicine was founded in 1985 in Miami, Florida. As expressed in the mission statement, BUSPM has the purpose of graduating the most competent podiatric physicians qualified to enter post-graduate training. This is accomplished by excellence in podiatric medical education, fostering lifelong learning, expressing a commitment to social justice by serving the local and global community through patient care, and encouraging research and innovation that promotes the common good.

Barry University was founded in 1940 by the Adrian Dominican Sisters. As a Catholic university, it has been shaped throughout the years by its core commitments of knowledge and truth, inclusive community, social justice, and collaborative service.

The School of Podiatric Medicine focuses exclusively on our podiatric medical students. The small class environment and professors’ open door policy contribute to a first-class education that supports your success. As part of a comprehensive university, you have access to all the resources and facilities of a traditional university. For example, you have the option to pursue the only DPM/MBA dual degree program in podiatric medicine. There are multiple volunteer options available to you in the diverse South Florida community as well as many opportunities to engage in research with our world-renowned research faculty.

Barry University’s Foot and Ankle Institute has three hospital-based clinics in different socio-demographic areas, providing you significant exposure to the greatest number of patients and broadest possible range of pathologies during your clinical experience.

In addition to the Foot and Ankle Institute, you will rotate through eight different hospitals and clinics throughout the Miami area. The latest technological innovations permeate the curriculum from the classroom setting to state of the art technology in the clinics.

MISSION STATEMENT:

The mission of Barry University’s School of Podiatric Medicine is to graduate the most competent podiatric physicians qualified to enter post-graduate training. This is accomplished by excellence in podiatric medical education, fostering life-long learning, expressing a commitment to social justice by serving the local and global community through quality patient care, and encouraging research and medical innovation that promotes the common good.

TYPE OF INSTITUTION: PRIVATE
DATE FOUNDED: 1985
TERM TYPE: SEMESTER

Mailing Address:
Barry University
SCHOOL OF PODIATRIC MEDICINE
11300 NW 2ND AVENUE
MIAMI SHORES, FL 33161

PREPARATION

All students applying to Barry University School of Podiatric Medicine are required to complete at least 90 semester hours at a regionally accredited institution. All students are also required to take the MCAT.

BACCALAUREATE DEGREE PREFERRED: YES
ACCEPTABLE MINIMUM NUMBER OF SEMESTER HOURS: 90
ACCEPTS ADVANCED PLACEMENT (AP) CREDITS: YES
ACADEMIC PREPAREDNESS OF 2018 ENTERING CLASS:

| BACCALAUREATE: 59 | # OF STUDENTS APPLIED: 457 |
| MASTERS: 11 | # OF STUDENTS MATRICULATED: 59 |
| PH.D. OR OTHER DOCTORATE: 0 |

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PREPARATION EXTRAS:

- BARRY UNIVERSITY ACCEPTS LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION FROM INTERFOLIO & VIRTUAL EVALS.
  - ONE (1) LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION FROM A DOCTOR OF PODIATRIC MEDICINE [REQUIRED].
  - TWO (2) LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION FROM ACADEMIC PROFESSORS OR ADVISORS [OPTIONAL]. MAY BE SUBMITTED WITH A HEALTH PROFESSIONAL ADVISORY REPORT.
  - CURRENT OFFICIAL SCORES FROM THE MEDICAL COLLEGE ADMISSION TEST.
  - PRIOR TO THE INTERVIEW, APPLICANT SHOULD HAVE SUBSTANTIAL SHADOWING HOURS WITH AT LEAST ONE DOCTOR OF PODIATRIC MEDICINE TO OBSERVE AND DISCUSS THE PRACTICE OF PODIATRIC MEDICINE.
  - YOU MUST SUBMIT A TOEFL/IELTS SCORE IF THE PRIMARY LANGUAGE OF INSTRUCTION OF THE INSTITUTION WHERE YOU RECEIVED YOUR UNIVERSITY/COLLEGE DEGREE IS NOT ENGLISH.
  - RECOMMENDED COURSES ARE IN CELL AND MOLECULAR BIOLOGY, GENETICS, ANATOMY, PHYSIOLOGY, AND BIOCHEMISTRY TO STRENGTHEN PREMEDICAL BACKGROUND KNOWLEDGE.

MAILING ADDRESS:
Barry University
SCHOOL OF PODIATRIC MEDICINE
11300 NE 2ND AVENUE
MIAMI SHORES, FL 33161
Mandatory on-campus interview:
Miami Shores, FL 33161
11300 NE 2nd Avenue
Barry University
Send paper letters to:
Paper: Yes     Virtual Evals: YES
LETTERS BY LIAISON: YES   Interfolio: Yes
Send Letters of recommendation by:
applicant’s DISCRETION.
2. Additional references or evaluations may be forwarded at the
applicants discretion.
1. a letter from a DPM verifying that the applicant has SHADOWED

Recommendation Letters:

Supplemental application required:
The final application deadline date
Early Filing Date of AACPMAS

EARLIEST FILING DATE: OPENING DATE OF AACPMAS
LATEST FILING DATE: THE FINAL APPLICATION DEADLINE DATE
IS JUNE 30TH OF EACH YEAR FOR FALL ADMISSION OF THE SAME YEAR

SUPPLEMENTAL APPLICATION REQUIRED: NO

RECOMMENDATION LETTERS: YES
1. A LETTER FROM A DPM VERIFYING THAT THE APPLICANT HAS SHADOWED A PODIATRIST.
2. ADDITIONAL REFERENCES OR EVALUATIONS MAY BE FORWARDED AT THE APPLICANT’S DISCRETION.

SEND LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION BY:
LETTERS BY LIAISON: YES    INTERFOLIO: YES    VIRTUAL EVALS: YES

SEND PAPER LETTERS TO:
BARRY UNIVERSITY
11300 NE 2ND AVENUE
MIAMI SHORES, FL 33161
ATTN: SCHOOL OF PODIATRIC MEDICINE

Mandatory on-campus interview: YES

Florida

Florida Podiatric Medical Student Association (FPMSA)

PRE-PODIATRY:
http://www.barry.edu/preprofessional/

CURRENT STUDENT SERVICES:
CAMPUS MINISTRY
CAMPUS RECREATION AND WELLNESS
CAREER DEVELOPMENT CENTER
CENTER FOR STUDENT INVESTIGATION
COUNSELING AND PSYCHOLOGICAL SERVICES
DISABILITY SERVICES
HEALTH SERVICES
HOUSING AND RESIDENCE LIFE
INTERNATIONAL AND MULTICULTURAL PROGRAMS

ACTIVE STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS:
OVER 13 CLUBS AND ORGANIZATIONS INCLUDING:
Florida Podiatric Medical Student Association (FPMSA)
American College of Foot and Ankle Surgeons (ACFAS)
American Academy of Podiatric Practice Management (AAPPM)
American Association of Women Podiatrists (AAWP)
American Society of Podiatric Dermatology (ASPD)
Biomechanics Society
Diabetes Podiatric Medical Student Association (DPMSA)
Forensic Podiatry

INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS
Applicants who do not give evidence of being native English speakers, including those applying for transfer from U.S. institutions, or who have not graduated from an institution where English is the primary language of instruction must submit a qualifying IELTS or TOEFL score.

International credentials from an educational system other than the United States must be evaluated by a foreign credential evaluator who is a member of the National Association of Credential Evaluation Services. The evaluation must be “course-by-course with GPA,” and sent directly from the evaluating agency to Barry University.

For a list of NACES members, please visit:
www.naces.org/members.htm

FINANCIAL AID AND SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION
A college education is one of life’s biggest investments. Financial aid funding is available to help students pay their education-related expenses. Financial aid programs have enabled thousands of students to achieve their educational goals.

Barry University encourages students to use their own resources first to finance their education. When personal resources of the student are insufficient to meet the total cost of education, the Financial Aid Office makes every effort to supplement the student’s resources with available financial aid.

Barry University participates in many of the federal and state financial aid programs available to graduate students. In addition to government-funded programs, there is also program-specific assistance, such as scholarships and assistantships. More than 95% of our podiatric medical students receive some form of financial aid. At Barry, we are committed to doing all we can to help you finance your education.

Tuition

FIRST - FOURTH YEAR

TUITION (RESIDENT & NON-RESIDENT) $39,280
BOOKS & SUPPLIES

FIRST YEAR $1,405
SECOND YEAR $4,230
THIRD YEAR $3,950
FOURTH YEAR $600
ESTIMATED LIVING EXPENSES

FIRST YEAR $15,435
SECOND YEAR $20,080
THIRD YEAR $28,000
FOURTH YEAR $20,080

The cost of living in Miami could vary. The estimates are
averages for students in shared housing.

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Extras

Facebook: facebook.com/BARRYUNIVERSITYschooLofPodiatricMedicine
Instagram: @barryupod

Dr. William M. Scholl College of Podiatric Medicine at Rosalind Franklin University

Dean: Nancy Parsley, DPM, MHPE

We educate future podiatric physicians in an interprofessional environment, emphasizing academic excellence, patient care and research. Scholl College has a great reputation, thanks to a well-rounded medical curriculum, a passion for interprofessional medical care and an enthusiasm for applying new technologies. Approximately one-third of all practicing podiatric physicians in the United States are alumni of Scholl College, where our students learn alongside students from other programs. Our interprofessional focus encourages team-based learning.

Our students begin making a difference in the lives of patients long before they graduate, through rotations at world-class hospitals and clinics in the areas of ER, infectious disease, internal medicine and surgery.

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We enroll students whose applications show they are prepared to study podiatric medicine. Our students have achieved academic success and demonstrate personal growth and professional motivation.

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Mission Statement:
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Preparation Extras:
Scholl College accepts community college coursework however; competitive applicants will have built upon that coursework by taking additional courses at the university level.

Scholl College suggests a minimum of 20 shadowing hours with a DPM. Additionally, shadowing at a variety of different podiatric settings is highly suggested.

Preparation

Preparation Information

Type of Institution: Private
Date Founded: 1912
Term Type: Quarter
Annual Class Size: 98

Preparation

Baccalaureate Degree Preferred: Yes
Acceptable Minimum Number of Semester Hours: 90
Quarter Unit Hours: 135
Accepts Advanced Placement (AP) Credits: Yes

Academic Preparation of 2016 Entering Class:
Baccalaureate: 89
Masters: 10
Ph.D. or other Doctorate: 0

English

MCAT

MCAT: MANDATORY
MCAT Exams Taken More Than Three (3) Years Prior to Application are not acceptable.

Latest MCAT Test Administration Acceptable for Application Cycle: May

2018 MCAT Results

Enrollee Scores

MCAT Total
485 - 506
495

2018 GPA Results

Enrollee GPA
Science GPA
2.43 - 3.94
3.16
Overall GPA
2.49 - 3.89
3.32

Application Process

Application Service: AACPMAS
Earliest Filing Date: Opening Date of AACPMAS
Latest Filing Date: June 30th of each year for fall admission of the same year
Supplemental Application Required: No
Recommendation Letters: Yes
One Individual Letter of Recommendation OR One Committee Letter and One Additional Letter of Recommendation from a DPM confirming a shadowing experience is required.
We prefer letters from science faculty members who have taught you in a class.

Send Letters of Recommendation By:
Letters By Liaison: Yes
Interfolio: Yes
Paper: Yes
Virtual Evals: Yes
We prefer to receive letters of recommendation via Interfolio or virtual evals.

Send Paper Letters To:
Rosalind Franklin University
SCPM Admissions
3333 Green Bay Road
North Chicago, IL 60064-3095

Illinois

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Preparation

Preparation Information

Type of Institution: Private
Date Founded: 1912
Term Type: Quarter
Campus Setting: Suburban
Campus Housing: Yes
Annual Class Size: 98

Preparation

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Illinois
**Pre-Podiatric: The Dr. William M. Scholl College of Podiatric Medicine has intercollegiate programs with Carroll University (Wisconsin), Carthage College (Wisconsin), University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee and Wisconsin Lutheran, Lewis University (Illinois), and North Central College (Illinois). These intercollegiate programs seek to identify prospective students with an interest in the doctor of podiatric medicine (DPM) degree. Under this agreement student will have the opportunity to participate in an accelerated 3+4 program.**

DePaul University and Rosalind Franklin University of Medicine and Science have established The Alliance for Pre-Podiatry. This program is designed to help students develop the skills necessary to become productive and caring members of our global society. Our services include fostering their professional, mental, physical, and social development and by enhancing the quality of campus life. We provide programs and services to augment students’ ability to learn and develop life skills necessary to become productive and caring members of our global society. Our services include but are not limited to:

- Academic Support
- Student Counseling Services
- Student Health Services
- Student Life
- Fitness and Recreation
- Over 100 Student Organizations with over 1000 annual events
- Multicultural Student Services

**Active Student Organizations: The Office of Student Life seeks to raise cultural awareness, sharpen leadership skills, grow interprofessionalism, and promote wellness within the University community. Listed below you will find a small sampling of the over 100 student organizations on our campus.**

- American College of Foot and Ankle Orthopedics and Medicine (ACFAOM)
- American Association of Women Podiatrists (AAWP)
- American Academy of Podiatric Practice Management (AAPPM)
- American Academy of Podiatric Sports Medicine (AAPSM)
- American Society of Podiatric Surgeons (ASPS)
- Spectrum (LGBTQ+ Student Organization)
- Student National Podiatric Medical Association (SNPMA)
- Student National Podiatric Medical Association (SNPMA)
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- Student National Podiatric Medical Association (SNPMA)

**International Students**

All international transcripts must be evaluated by either World Education Services (www.wes.org) or Education Credential Evaluators (www.ece.org). Applicants must request a course-by-course evaluation with determination of a letter grade.

For applicants that come from a non-English speaking country, or those that have not received any degrees from an English speaking country, we require a completed Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) exam.
Recognizing the needs of a global community, students attending the Des Moines University College of Podiatric Medicine & Surgery (CPMS) are trained as physicians first and specialists second. This approach creates the greatest opportunity for collaboration with other healthcare providers to offer the highest quality care to patients.

Taught and mentored by expert faculty, CPMS students benefit from a curriculum that integrates the basic sciences (taken with our osteopathic colleagues), medical clinical system courses, podiatric specific courses, case-based and evidence-based teaching methodologies, and a diverse array of clinical experiences. We believe in enhancing student learning through technology. This educational philosophy has resulted in strong program outcomes including exceptional national board exam passage and residency placement rates.

CPMS students seize opportunities to expand their knowledge and skills through research, diversity training, campus organizations, co-curricular service activities, global health service trips and so much more. In the process, our students grow and develop as individuals and as future podiatric physicians.

The College was the first podiatric medical school to be affiliated with an academic health science center, an alliance that offers many educational, interprofessional and resource advantages. Our graduates hold leadership positions across the profession and in the medical community.

Exceptional students, outstanding education, remarkable careers.
IOWA

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ENTERING CLASS DEMOGRAPHICS

- WHITE: 79%
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- BLACK OR AFRICAN AMERICAN: 2%
- UNKNOWN: 2%

- MALE: 55%
- FEMALE: 45%

AGE:
- RANGE: 20 - 34
- AVERAGE: 23

A CAREER IN PODIATRIC MEDICINE PROGRAM:
https://www.dmu.edu/admission/events/dmu-preview

AT A GLANCE:
www.dmu.edu/admission/events/dmu-at-a-glance

CURRENT STUDENT SERVICES:
- EDUCATIONAL SUPPORT SERVICES – COUNSELING, TUTORING
- GLOBAL HEALTH – MEDICAL MISSIONS, SERVICE TRIPS, INTERNATIONAL ROTATIONS
- STUDENT HEALTH – ON-SITE CLINIC
- RESEARCH PROGRAMS – SUMMER AND ASSISTANTSHIPS
- ANNUAL FOOT AND ANKLE SURGERY SYMPOSIUM
- PEER TUTORING
- TEACHING ASSISTANTSHIPS

ACTIVE STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS:
- OVER 40 ACTIVE STUDENT CLUBS, ORGANIZATIONS, SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS INCLUDING:
  - AMERICAN ACADEMY OF PODIATRIC SPORTS MEDICINE CLUB (AAPSM)
  - AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF WOMEN PODIATRISTS AND FRIENDS (AAWP & FRIENDS)
  - AMERICAN COLLEGE OF FOOT & ANKLE ORTHOPEDICS AND MEDICINE (ACFAOM)
  - IOWA PODIATRIC MEDICAL STUDENTS ASSOCIATION (IPMSA)
  - PODIATRIC PRACTICE MANAGEMENT & JOURNAL CLUB (PPMJC)
  - SPORTS MEDICINE CLUB
  - STUDENT NATIONAL PODIATRIC MEDICAL ASSOCIATION (SNPMA)

INTERNSHIPS
- TO BE ELIGIBLE FOR INTERNSHIPS, ALL STUDENTS MUST COMPLETE A MINIMUM OF 800 CLINICAL HOURS
- A MINIMUM OF 100 CLINICAL HOURS MUST BE COMPLETED AT A NURSING HOME OR LONG-TERM CARE FACILITY
- AN ASSOCIATE DEGREE IN NURSING IS RECOMMENDED

INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS
To be eligible for admission to the College of Podiatric Medicine and Surgery at Des Moines University, students must be a U.S. Citizen or legal permanent resident of the U.S. Permanent residents are required to submit an official, notarized copy of their Green Card prior to matriculation.
NEW YORK COLLEGE OF PODIATRIC MEDICINE
Dean: Michael Trepal, DPM

GENERAL INFORMATION

The New York College of Podiatric Medicine, the first college of podiatric medicine, has a proven track-record of over one hundred years of quality training resulting in the graduation of 2% of all active podiatric physicians. Continuously excellent board passage rates and residency placement at some of the top programs nationwide has earned recognition for both our institution and graduates.

NYCPM students have access to thousands of patients during their third year clinical rotations at neighboring affiliated hospitals including, but not limited to: Lincoln Medical and Mental Health Center, Metropolitan Hospital Center, Harlem Hospital Center, St. Luke's Hospital, and a vascular rotation at Mount Sinai Hospital. Our students also benefit clinically from the added asset of our on-site teaching clinic, the Foot Center of New York (FCNY). NYCPM has established over 200 hospital affiliates nationally for 4th-year month-long externships. Students interested in externships abroad can participate with our international partners in Israel, India, Poland, Spain, Ireland, and Australia.

Our campus provides versatile learning with active clubs and organizations dedicated to community service and practical application of medical knowledge in real-world environments. Our students foster their curiosity through research offered to them via our diverse clinic patient population and by collaborations with neighboring medical schools and hospitals in New York City. NYCPM was the first college to establish a student run scholarly publication of research papers called the Podiatric Medical Review.

NYCPM students have the option of pursuing a DPM/MPH Dual-Degree in conjunction with the Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai. There are multiple tracks a dual degree candidate can pursue in Public Health including Health Promotion & Disease Prevention, Occupational & Environmental Medicine, Global Health Outcomes Research, Biostatistics, Epidemiology, and Health Care Management.

Students not only gain an intellectual and academic advantage at NYCPM, but an unparalleled range of cultural experiences by leveraging the New York City landscape. The size of the school and the supportive faculty provide for an intimate, close-knit community. Students live and work in a vibrant scientific and cultural community, offered by the City’s human and intellectual diversity. This is what shapes our culturally-competent practitioners. Tomorrow’s leaders in podiatric medicine are enculturated through a wealth of formative academic, clinical, social, and cultural experiences that only NYCPM can provide.

MISSION STATEMENT:

It is the College’s mission to provide, to students seeking careers as doctors of podiatric medicine, a comprehensive medical educational program specializing in the medical and surgical management of the lower extremity, with the ability to diagnose systemic diseases and their lower extremity manifestations. The College will prepare students for graduate medical education, licensure and practice. Furthermore, it is the College’s mission to promote state-of-the-art patient care in affiliated facilities, and to pursue research to continuously advance the art and science of podiatric medicine.

PREPARATION

BACCALAUREATE DEGREE PREFERRED: YES
ACCEPTABLE MINIMUM NUMBER OF SEMESTER HOURS: 90
QUARTER UNIT HOURS: 135
ACCEPTS ADVANCED PLACEMENT (AP) CREDITS: YES

ACADEMIC PREPAREDNESS OF 2018 ENTERING CLASS:

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PREPARATION EXTRAS:

IT IS STRONGLY RECOMMENDED THAT CANDIDATES FOR ADMISSION COMPLETE THEIR BACCALAUREATE DEGREE FROM AN ACCREDITED COLLEGE. THE COLLEGE SEeks TO ADMIT STUDENTS WHO ARE QUALIFIED TO ENTER INTO THE STUDY OF PODIATRIC MEDICINE by virtue of academic achievement and evidence of aptitude to pursue a medical profession. Strong consideration is given to prior academic performance, test scores, letters of recommendation, motivation for the podiatric profession, community and leadership activities and personal characteristics. INTERVIEWS ARE REQUIRED AND CONDUCTED BY INVITATION ONLY. RECOMMENDED COURSES IN ADDITION TO THE PRE-REQUISITES INCLUDE ANATOMY, BIOCHEMISTRY, HISTOLOGY, MICROBIOLOGY AND PHYSIOLOGY.

MCAT:

MCAT: MANDATORY
MCAT EXAMS TAKEN MORE THAN THREE (3) YEARS PRIOR TO APPLICATION ARE NOT ACCEPTABLE.

LATEST MCAT TEST ADMINISTRATION ACCEPTABLE FOR APPLICATION CYCLE: JUNE

2018 GPA RESULTS

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APPLICATION PROCESS

APPLICATION SERVICE: AACPMA
EARLIEST FILING DATE: OPENING DATE OF AACPMAS
LATEST FILING DATE: THE FINAL APPLICATION DEADLINE DATE IS JUNE 30TH OF EACH YEAR FOR FALL ADMISSION OF THE SAME YEAR
SUPPLEMENTAL APPLICATION REQUIRED: NO
Mandatory on-campus interview:
New York, NY 10035
53 E 124th Street
OFFICE OF ENROLLMENT MANAGEMENT

Send paper letters to:
New York College of Podiatric Medicine
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New York, NY 10035

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OFFICE OF ENROLLMENT MANAGEMENT

Send Letters of Recommendation by:
A pre-health committee evaluation.

All candidates must submit three letters of recommendation or
Recommendation Letters:

APPLICATION PROCESS (CONTINUED)

RECOMMENDATION LETTERS: YES
All candidates must submit three letters of recommendation or
A pre-health committee evaluation.

SEND LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION BY:
Letters by liaison: YES
PAPER: YES
INTERFOLIO: YES
VIRTUAL Evals: YES

SEND PAPER LETTERS TO:
New York College of Podiatric Medicine
Office of Enrollment Management
53 E 124th Street
New York, NY 10035

Mandatory On-Campus Interview: YES

Deposit

Deposit

Required To Hold Place: YES

Deposit Amount: $1,000.00

Deposit Due: Timetable for Deposit indicated on acceptance
letter and college catalog.

Refundable: NO

Applied to Tuition: YES

ENTERING CLASS DEMOGRAPHICS

ENTERING CLASS DEMOGRAPHICS (CONTINUED)

Entering Class Demographics (Continued)

Male: 50%
Female: 44%

Age:
Range: 21 - 42
Average: 25

Combined Degrees Offered

Pre-Podiatric:
- Pre-Health Internship Program
- Open House (Bi-Monthly)
- Exploratory Visits
- NYCPM Student/Alumni Network

Current Student Services:
- IME - Interactive Medical Education
- Incoming Students Provided with iPads
- International Rotations, Medical Mission Trips, and Exchange Programs
- Video Capture System ([Digital Recordings of all
Lectures Available Online and Via Podcasts])
- Virtual Microscopy
- Computer-Based Testing
- Academic/Time Management Counseling
- Peer Tutoring
- Pre-Clinical/Pre-Clinical Research Opportunities

Active Student Organizations:
- NYCPM Student Association/Student Council
- American Podiatric Medical Student Association
- Student National Podiatric Medical Association
- American Association for Women in Podiatry

Special Programs and Services

Active Student Organizations:
- International Podiatry Club
- Podiatric Medical Review
- Student Literary and Arts Magazine
- ACPAS Surgery Club
- Sports Medicine Club
- ASPS Surgery Club
- Diabetes and Wound Care Club
- Orthopedics Club
- Pediatrics Club
- Radiology Club
- International Student Association
- Practice Management Club
- Forensic Podiatry Club
- Public Health Club
- Asian-American Podiatric Student Association
- Physicians for Human Rights
- Hispanic American Podiatric Student Association

International Students

Academic pre-professional requirements for international
students are equivalent to those American students.
Equivalency is determined via evaluation by World Education
Services or other acceptable agency, and certified translation of
credentials not originally in English.

All non-resident applicants must be eligible for F-1 visas or
provide proof of legal residency in the United States.

Financial Aid and Scholarship Information
The Office of Financial Aid is committed to helping students
finance their medical education by providing information and
counseling on loans, work-study, and scholarships. Over 90
percent of our students receive some type of financial
assistance. In addition, NYCPM awards over $750,000 in
scholarships to our students each year. For incoming students,
merit-based scholarships are awarded based on Science GPA,
Cumulative GPA, and MCAT scores. First year scholarships are
redeemable the following three years as long as the student
maintains a 3.4 GPA. Additional information is available on our
website and college catalog.

Interscholastic Sports

Basketball and Softball (Women)

Tuition

Tuition

First - Fourth Year
Tuition ( Resident & Non-Resident) $31,968
Fees $2,245
Books/Supplies/Instruments $1,000
Estimated Living Expenses $18,000

Complete financial aid information can be found on the
Office of Student Financial Services website.

For the most current information, please visit the College’s financial aid website.

Extras


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@NYCPMPodmed
Kent State University College of Podiatric Medicine

Dean: Allan Boike, DPM

**GENERAL INFORMATION**

Kent State University College of Podiatric Medicine (KSUCPM) has grown throughout the years to become one of the most highly reputable, internationally respected medical institutions in the world. From the college’s cutting-edge and advanced technologies, to innovative laboratories and classrooms, KSUCPM offers students a superior, modern, educational environment.

We are a close-knit, dedicated learning community with one goal: Everyone - administrators, faculty, staff and fellow students - is here to help our students succeed. Our college is working to be the leading edge of modern podiatric medicine - evolving the profession and promoting changes in perceptions, instruction and practice. From the college’s cutting-edge and advanced technology, to innovative laboratories and classrooms, the Kent State University College of Podiatric Medicine offers students a superior, modern, educational environment. Students who graduate from Kent State University College of Podiatric Medicine find themselves at the forefront of the podiatric medical profession.

KSUCPM operates the Cleveland Foot and Ankle Clinic, which serves as the teaching clinic for our students. The Cleveland Foot and Ankle Clinic has multiple locations throughout the Northeast Ohio Region. Students are able to see a variety of cases while treating a diverse patient population. In addition to the Cleveland Foot and Ankle Clinic, KSUCPM students may have the opportunity to rotate through various Cleveland-area hospitals, including the Cleveland Clinic, University Hospitals, Louis Stokes Cleveland VA Medical Center, Akron General and MetroHealth.

**Mission Statement:**
The mission of Kent State University College of Podiatric Medicine is to educate students to be highly competent doctors of podiatric medicine who will excel in residency training.

**Preparation**

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| Acceptable Minimum Number of Semester Hours | 90 |
| Accepts Advanced Placement (AP) Credits | Yes |
| Academic Preparedness of 2018 Entering Class: | |
| Baccalaureate | 113 |
| Masters | 19 |
| Ph.D. or Other Doctorate | 1 |

**Preparation (Continued)**

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**Recommended Requirements**:

| Medical Terminology | Yes |

**Preparation Extras:**

Students interested in applying to KSUCPM should possess critical thinking and problem solving skills from a comprehensive undergraduate or graduate experience.

In addition, we encourage applicants to shadow multiple podiatric physicians prior to applying to gain a more thorough insight into the podiatric medical profession.

KSUCPM also offers a Pre-Matriculation Program, which is an intense three-week course designed to provide incoming students an extensive orientation to the school and local area, and to the demands of the first year medical school curriculum.

**MCAT or DAT**

**MCAT: Mandatory**

MCAT exams taken more than three (3) years prior to application are not acceptable.

**Latest MCAT Test Administration Acceptable for Application Cycle:** May

**2018 GPA Results**

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**Application Process**

**Application Service:** AACPMAS

**Earliest Filing Date:** Opening date of AACPMAS

**Latest Filing Date:** The final application deadline date is June 30th of each year for fall admission of the same year

**Supplemental Application Required:** No
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Mandatory on-campus interview: Yes

APPLICATION PROCESS (CONTINUED)

RECOMMENDATION LETTERS: Yes

KSUCPM requires one letter of recommendation from a faculty member or advisor and one letter of recommendation from a podiatrist or other medical professional.

SEND LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION BY:

- Letters by liaison: Yes
- Interfolio: Yes
- Virtual Eval: Yes

SEND PAPER LETTERS TO:

Office of Enrollment Management & Student Affairs
KENT STATE UNIVERSITY College of Podiatric Medicine
600 Rockside Woods Boulevard North
Independence, OH 44131

FINANCIAL AID AND SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION

The Office of Financial Aid understands your concern in financing a podiatric medical education. Our financial aid staff work closely with prospective students to ensure eligibility for the back packaging of available funds, including scholarships, student loans and work study programs. KSUCPM will continue its support to the student population through $400,000 in internal institutional scholarship awards.

Our external resources will add $200,000 or more, culminating in awards of nearly one million dollars, which will be made available to our student population annually in recognition of exhibiting academic excellence.

INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

International students attending an institution outside the United States are required to have their academic transcripts submitted and evaluated through World Education Services to meet base requirements. KSUCPM also requires International students who have successfully completed an undergraduate degree program in an accredited US college or university may have the aforementioned requirements waived upon individual review by the Dean, Senior Associate Dean and Director of Enrollment Management.

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SPECIAL PROGRAMS AND SERVICES (CONTINUED)

- American Association of Women in Podiatry (AAPW)
- American College of Foot & Ankle Surgeons (ACFAS)
- Jewish Podiatric Medical Student Association (JPMSA)
- Podiatric Association for Diabetes (PAD)
- Student National Podiatric Medical Association (SNPMA)
- Students of Podiatry Avidly Rocking Cleveland’s Youth (SPARCY)
- American College of Foot and Ankle Orthopedics Medicine (ACFAOM)
- American Academy of Podiatric Practice Management (AAPPM)
- American Academy of Podiatric Dermatology (AAPD)
- American Society of Podiatric Surgeons (ASPS)

SPORTS CLUBS:

- Softball Club
- Soccer Club
- Men’s Basketball
- Women’s Basketball

FRACTIONS:

- Kappa Tau Epsilon (KTE) Fraternity

KENT STATE UNIVERSITY COLLEGE OF PODIATRIC MEDICINE

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PRE-PODIARY:

Kent State University College of Podiatric Medicine hosts a pre-professional internship program. This internship is designed to provide insight into the many facets of podiatric medicine and the education involved with obtaining the doctor of podiatric medicine degree.

CURRENT STUDENT SERVICES:

- Academic Counseling
- Mental Health Counseling
- Personal Counseling & Referrals
- Peer Tutoring & Study Aides
- Study Skills Tutorials
- Mentoring
- Learning Disability Support
- Health and Wellness Information
- Research Opportunities
- Clerkship and Residency Placement Support

ACTIVE STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS:

- Ohio Podiatric Medical Students Association (OPMSA)
- American Academy of Podiatric Sports Medicine (AAPSM)

SPECIAL PROGRAMS AND SERVICES

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FINANCIAL AID AND SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION

The Office of Financial Aid understands your concern in financing a podiatric medical education. Our financial aid staff work closely with prospective students to ensure eligibility for the back packaging of available funds, including scholarships, student loans and work study programs. KSUCPM will continue its support to the student population through $400,000 in internal institutional scholarship awards.

Our external resources will add $200,000 or more, culminating in awards of nearly one million dollars, which will be made available to our student population annually in recognition of exhibiting academic excellence.
TEMPLE UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF
PODIATRIC MEDICINE

Dean: John Mattiacci, DPM

GENERAL INFORMATION

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 public health. As a result of this alliance, the school of podiatric medicine is able to provide enhanced clinical, academic and research opportunities for its students.

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 (TU) 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 provides a unique opportunity to collaborate with Temple University’s Medical School, other TU professional schools, and health care professionals in the Temple University Health System. Through this collaboration, TUSPM students are able to provide services, develop and implement health education and health care programs, both nationally and in the Philadelphia region. Furthermore, TUSPM is affiliated with over 150 hospitals across the country where our students participate in clinical externships.

Our students gain invaluable clinical experiences as first year students participating in Standardized Patient evaluations.

The Foot and Ankle Institute (FAI) experiences, on average for the past 4 years, over 35,000 patient visits per year and has special areas for the care of pediatric, diabetic, vascular disease and sports medicine patients. The FAI clinical centers: Charcot Center, Limb Salvage Center, Lymphedema Clinic and our two Diabetic and Wound Healing Centers, allow for an interdisciplinary approach to patient centered care. Also within 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, teaching laboratories, two outpatient surgery suites, our two patient surgery suites, a clinical skills lab, the Bio-materials Research Laboratory and the Gait Study Center. The Krausz Library provides the most comprehensive information on podiatric medicine and surgery.

MISSION STATEMENT:
To educate highly qualified, ethical and professional podiatric medical students, who upon completion of the curriculum, are prepared for licensure and entry into post-graduate medical education; and to advance our profession through research, quality patient care and community service.

TYPE OF INSTITUTION: PUBLIC
DATE FOUNDED: 1914 (TEMPLE COLLEGE OF CHIROPRACT)
TERM TYPE: SEMESTER
CAMPUS SETTING: URBAN
CAMPUS HOUSING: YES
ANNUAL CLASS SIZE: 100

PREPARATION

BACCALAUREATE DEGREE PREFERRED: YES
ACCEPTABLE MINIMUM NUMBER OF SEMESTER HOURS: 90
QUARTER UNIT HOURS: 135
ACCEPTS ADVANCED PLACEMENT (AP) CREDITS: YES

ACADEMIC PREPAREDNESS OF 2018 ENTERING CLASS:
BACCALAUREATE: 90
MASTERS: 13
PH.D. OR OTHER DOCTORATE: 0

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PREPARATION EXTRAS: NOT REPORTED

MCAT

MCAT EXAMS TAKEN MORE THAN THREE (3) YEARS PRIOR TO APPLICATION CYCLE START DATE ARE NOT ACCEPTABLE.

LATEST MCAT TEST ADMINISTRATION ACCEPTABLE FOR APPLICATION CYCLE: JUNE

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ENTRANCE CLASS DEMOGRAPHICS (CONTINUED)

- **WHITE**: 46%
- **BLACK OR AFRICAN AMERICAN**: 9%
- **ASIAN**: 43%
- **SPANISH/Hispanic/Latino/Latina**: 4%
- **WHITE**: 46%

**SPECIAL PROGRAMS AND SERVICES**

**PRE-PODIARY:**
- Free Summer and Winter Internship Programs
- Fall and Spring Open Houses
- Individual Campus Visits

**CURRENT STUDENT SERVICES:**
- Summer Academic Reinforcement Program
- Student, Faculty and Alumni Mentoring
- Research Opportunities
- Graduate Housing and Fitness Center
- Peer Tutoring
- Electronic Access to Lectures
- All students receive an iPad upon entrance

**CURRENT STUDENT SERVICES:**
- Clerkship and Residency Placement Support
- Computer Based Testing
- Counselling Services

**ACTIVE STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS:**
- Phi Delta National Podiatric Honor Society
- Stirling Harford Dipreismo Honorary Anatomical Society
- Tuscm School Council
- American Association of Women Podiatrists (AAWP)
- American College of Foot & Ankle Orthopedics & Medicine (ACFOM)
- American College of Foot & Ankle & Surgeons (ACFAS)
- American Public Health Association (APHA)
- Biomechanics & Orthopedics Club (BMOC)
- Christian Podiatric Student Association (CPSA)
- Community Service
- Dermatology Club
- Forensics Club
- Jewish Podiatric Medicine Student Association (JPMSA)
- Pediatrics Club
- Practice Management Club (PMC)
- Radiology Club
- Running Club
- Save A Limb Save A Life Academy of Physicians in Wound Healing (SALSAL-APWH)
- Student or National Podiatric Medical Association (SNPMA)
- Students for Integrative Medicine (SIM)
- Sports Medicine Club
- Technology Club
- Spectrum
- Global Health Club

**INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS**

International students, who have attended a foreign university, including Canadian students, are required to have their academic transcripts evaluated by:

- **World Education Services**
  Bowling Green Station
  P.O. Box 5087
  New York, NY 10274-5087
  212-966-6311
  www.wes.org

- **Josef Silny & Associates, Inc.**
  7101 SW 102 Avenue
  Miami, FL 33173
  305-273-1616
  www.jsilny.com

**FINANCIAL AID AND SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION**

- 90% of TUSPM’s students receive financial aid
- Three basic types of financial aid:
  - Loans, such as federal direct student loans & direct graduate plus loans
  - Health professions student loans
  - Scholarships based on academic performance, financial need, and/or community service
- More than 60 scholarships available annually to current students, including merit scholarships & Direct Graduate Plus Loans
- Approximately $50,000,000 awarded in merit scholarship, with limited renewal, for incoming students based on undergraduate academic achievement
- Federal Work Study is part-time employment for students with financial need.

**FIRST - FOURTH YEAR COSTS**

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We anticipate a 2% tuition increase for the 2018-2019 academic year.

Each Podiatric Medical College makes every effort to provide accurate, current information. Tuition and fees are subject to change without notice. For the most up-to-date information, please visit the college’s financial aid website.
The AACPM wishes to thank the APMA for permission to reprint two outstanding demonstrations of the work done by DPMs in the Today’s Podiatrist Profiles.

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