

Pre-Podiatry

Interested in becoming a podiatrist? Learn about the prerequisites for admissions to podiatry programs.

Podiatric Medical School programs require four years of schooling plus a residency.



Required Courses

1 year Biological Sciences	BIO 012/012L and BIO 013/013L
1 year Inorganic Chemistry	CHEM 001/003 and CHEM 002/004
1 year Organic Chemistry	CHEM 107/109 and CHEM 108/110
1 year Physics	PHY 011/011L and PHY 012/012L
1 semester Mathematics	MATH 050
1 year English	First Year Seminar and an English writing course

**Other classes often required: Biochemistry, Physiology, Microbiology, or Statistics

The 411 on Podiatry Programs

Podiatrists study human movement with a specific focus on care of the foot and ankle. Podiatric practitioners can be found in surgery, sports medicine, biomechanics, geriatrics, pediatrics, orthopedics, and primary care.

Following the completion of a Doctor of Podiatric Medicine (D.P.M.) from a podiatric medical program, students spend 24-36 months in a Podiatric Medicine or Surgery Residency.

Podiatric colleges have similar requirements to medical school. Students must also take the Medical College Admission Test (MCAT) to be considered for admissions. The admissions requirements for each podiatric program may differ; therefore it is important for students to research the specific requirements for their schools of interest.

Students interested in podiatric school should plan to complete the MCAT in the spring of their junior year or summer before senior year. All students should complete the American Association of Colleges of Podiatric Medicine's electronic Application Service (AACPMAS) in the summer/fall of their senior year.



For additional resources on podiatry programs visit:

American Podiatric Medicine Association – <http://www.APMA.org>
 AACPMAS – <http://www.e-aacpmas.org>
 American Association of Colleges of Podiatric Medicine – <http://www.aacpm.org>
 MCAT – <http://www.aamc.org/mcat>