



## PRE-PODIATRIC MEDICINE INFORMATION

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A Doctor of Podiatric Medicine (D.P.M.) specializes in the prevention, diagnosis, and treatment, through both medical and surgical means, of diseases and disorders affecting the human foot. A D.P.M. makes independent judgments, administers treatment, prescribes medications, and when necessary, performs surgery. There are no colleges of podiatric medicine in Texas.

To prepare for admission to a college of podiatric medicine a student must have at least three, but preferably four years of college. There are seven college of podiatric medicine in the United States. Five of these colleges are independent, nonprofit institutions. Two of the colleges, located in Des Moines, Iowa and Miami Shores, Florida are part of university health science centers.

All applicants are required to take the Medical College Admission Test (MCAT) as one of the requirements for admission. While it is suggested that students that take the MCAT in the calendar year prior to the year in which they wish to enter, most podiatric medical schools will accept the results of the spring test in the year that the student wishes to matriculate.

Individuals may apply to any or all of the colleges of podiatric medicine by submitting one application through the American Association of colleges of Podiatric Medicine Application Service (AACPMAS). AACPMAS collects and collates application data, computes grade point averages and forwards standardized applications to the colleges of podiatric medicine, all of which participate in AACPMAS. The deadline for applying to the colleges is August 1<sup>st</sup> of each year. You may obtain an application request card or an application from your health professions advisor.

American Association of Colleges of Podiatric Medicine (AACPM)  
15850 Crabbs Branch Way  
Rockville, MD 20850  
(800) 922-9266  
[www.aacpm.org](http://www.aacpm.org)

General Information regarding podiatric medicine: [www.aacpm.org](http://www.aacpm.org)

Web-based application: [www.e-aacpmas.org](http://www.e-aacpmas.org).

Contact a Podiatrist or current podiatric student: [www.aacpm.org/careercenter](http://www.aacpm.org/careercenter) .

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**P.O. Box 305189**  
**Denton, TX 76203**

Below is information from the AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF COLLEGES OF PODIATRIC MEDICINE: *Most Podiatric Medical Schools require the following courses. Some prerequisites may vary according to each college.*

**Biology: 8 semester hours**

BIOL 1710 Principals of Biology I (3 hours)      BIOL 1730 Principals of Biology Lab I (1 hour)  
BIOL 1720 Principals of Biology II (3 hours)      BIOL 1740 Principals of Biology Lab II (1 hour)  
*Dr. William Scholl College requires 12 hours of Biology*

**Chemistry: 16 semester hours**

CHEM 1410 General Chemistry I (3 hours)      CHEM 1430 Lab for General Chemistry I (1 hour)  
CHEM 1420 General Chemistry II (3 hours)      CHEM 1440 Lab for General Chemistry II (1 hour)  
CHEM 2370 Organic Chemistry I (3 hours)      CHEM 3210 Organic Chemistry Lab I (1 hour)  
CHEM 2380 Organic Chemistry II (3 hours)      CHEM 3220 Organic Chemistry Lab II (1 hour)

**Physics: 8 semester hours**

PHYS 1410 General Physics I (3 hours)      PHYS 1430 Lab for General Physics I (1 hour)  
PHYS 1420 General Physics II (3 hours)      PHYS 1440 Lab General Physics II (1 hour)

**English: 6 semester hours**

ENGL 1310 College Writing I (3 hours)      ENGL 1320 College Writing II (3 hours)  
*Dr. William Scholl College requires 8 hours of English/Communication studies*

**The MCAT is required** – no later than Spring of the year of admission. Some colleges accept the DAT or GRE in lieu of the MCAT – check individual schools.

**Accredited Colleges of Podiatric Medicine in the U.S.**

**Arizona Podiatric Medicine Program at Midwestern University**

website: [www.midwestern.edu/azpod](http://www.midwestern.edu/azpod) contact: [admissaz@midwestern.edu](mailto:admissaz@midwestern.edu)

**Barry University School of Podiatric Medicine**

website: [www.barry.edu/gms/podiatry](http://www.barry.edu/gms/podiatry) contact: [admissions@mail.barry.edu](mailto:admissions@mail.barry.edu)

**California School of Podiatric Medicine at Samuel Merritt College**

website: [www.samuelmerritt.edu](http://www.samuelmerritt.edu) contact: [admission@samuelmerritt.edu](mailto:admission@samuelmerritt.edu)

**College of Podiatric Medicine and Surgery at Des Moines University**

website: [www.dmu.edu/cpms](http://www.dmu.edu/cpms) contact: [cpmsadmit@dmu.edu](mailto:cpmsadmit@dmu.edu)

**New York College of Podiatric Medicine**

website: [www.nycpm.edu](http://www.nycpm.edu) contact: [admissions@nycpm.edu](mailto:admissions@nycpm.edu)

**Ohio College of Podiatric Medicine**

website: [www.ocpm.edu](http://www.ocpm.edu) contact: [admissions@ocpm.edu](mailto:admissions@ocpm.edu)

**Scholl College of Podiatric Medicine at Rosalind Franklin University of Medicine and Science**

website: [www.rosalindfranklin.edu](http://www.rosalindfranklin.edu) contact: [scholl.admission@rosalindfranklin.edu](mailto:scholl.admission@rosalindfranklin.edu)

**Temple University School of Podiatric Medicine**

website: <http://podiatry.temple.edu> contact: [admissions@tuspm.temple.edu](mailto:admissions@tuspm.temple.edu)

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