

Application Timeline

When do I apply?

AACPMAS begins processing applications for Fall admission the following year the first Wednesday in August. The application and more information can be found on the AACPMAS website:

<http://www.aacpm.org/apply/apply.asp>

Deadline Dates: For priority consideration, the deadline is April 1st of each year for the upcoming cycle. The final AACPMAS deadline date is June 30th of each year for Fall admission of the same year.

How many years of residency will I need?

After graduating with four years of podiatric medical training, a residency training in an approved healthcare institution and passing parts one and two of the National Podiatric Board of Medicine Examination is required in nearly all states. At least three years of residency training are required for board certification. A residency can help students gain interdisciplinary experience with rotations such as anesthesiology, internal medicine, infectious disease, surgery, ER and pediatrics, as well as medical and surgical experiences depending on the specialty you are pursuing.

A Few Podiatry Schools...

Western University of Health Sciences	http://www.westernu.edu/podiatry/
Temple University	http://podiatry.temple.edu/
Barry University	https://www.barry.edu/podiatry/podiatry-medicine-school/admissions/
Kent State University College of Podiatric Medicine	https://www.kent.edu/cpm/academic-requirements-0
California School of Podiatric Medicine (Samuel Merritt University)	http://www.samuelmerritt.edu/admission/dpm/prereq

Intent to Apply

The HPAO at CSUF offers this service to all Podiatry applicants each cycle. This service helps the student obtain a Chair/Committee letter from the Health Professions Committee on campus and proof reads all letters of recommendation before writers upload to professional Podiatry schools. The HPAO will also assist you in filling out your application. The Intent to Apply cycle open November prior to your intended application cycle. The HPAO and the Career Center can also help with a practice mock interview. Please contact the HPAO for more information.

Resources:

On Campus: SHPA

CSUF Career Center- <http://www.fullerton.edu/career/>

Off Campus: American Podiatric Medical Association (APMA)- <https://www.apma.org/>

Today's Podiatrist- <http://www.apma.org/Learn/TodaysPodiatrist.cfm>

American Association of Colleges of Podiatric Medicine (AACPMAS)-

<http://www.aacpm.org/apply/apply.asp>

Podiatric Medical Colleges- <http://www.cpme.org/colleges/content.cfm?ItemNumber=2425>

Medical College Admissions Test (MCAT)- <https://students-residents.aamc.org/applying-medical-school/taking-mcat-exam/>

Shadowing Program at Western University: <http://jprod.westernu.edu/cpmshadowing>



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Podiatry

Advising Sheet

Podiatric medicine involves the study of human movement and focuses on the medical care of the foot and ankle. A doctor of podiatric medicine specializes in the prevention, diagnosis, and treatment of foot disorders, diseases, and injuries. Podiatric doctors can often identify more serious health problems by examining the lower extremities, and therefore are often very important in preventative care and early detection of more serious health issues. Podiatrists can work in general or group practices, and may also specialize in pediatrics, geriatrics, sports medicine, or other care. Four years of study are required in order to obtain a degree in podiatric medicine, with two years dedicated to the sciences, and the other two to clinical work and patient care. After graduating, students enter a residency for two to three years. A minimum of one year of postgraduate residency training in an approved healthcare institution is required, and two are needed for a board certification. Podiatric students in residency may choose specific rotations to go into, and may also become certified in a specialty.

Common Pre-Podiatry Prerequisite Courses

Course Topic	CSUF Course	Notes
Biology	BIOL 151^ & BIOL 152^	^Both courses meet GE biological sciences requirements
Chemistry	CHEM 120 A** & CHEM 120B	* Must take CHEM 115 or pass Chem placements exam ^ Meets GE physical science requirements
Organic Chemistry	CHEM 301A + 306A^ (lab), 301B	^CHEM 301A and 306A must be taken together
Physics	PHYS 211* + 211L^, 212 + 212L^	*MATH 115/125 and 130 prerequisites for PHYS 211 ^Physics labs must be taken with respective lecture
Mathematics	Calculus: MATH 130 OR 150A Statistics*: MATH 120 OR 338	Most major specific statistics courses will meet this requirement (ie. PUBH 349, KNES 349, SOCI 303, etc.)
Biochemistry	CHEM 421 OR 423A	Labs are not typically required. If required CHEM 422 meets lab requirements
English	ENGL 101 AND 301	One year required. Included in GE and graduation requirements
Humanities/Social Sciences	PSYC 101 AND SOCI 101	Meets social science GE units

Suggested Courses

Molecular Biology Genetics Physiology Anatomy Microbiology	BIOL 309 BIOL 251 BIOL 362 or 191A & 191B BIOL 361 or 191A & 191B BIOL 302 AND 302L	Advanced level sciences courses are desirable. Performing well in upper division sciences further demonstrates your ability to handle the rigorous science based curriculum found in medical school. Prerequisites vary. Discuss with your advisor to determine the best path for you.
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