

## Podiatric Medicine Description

A Doctor of Podiatric Medicine is the health professional who deals with the examination, diagnosis, treatment and prevention of diseases and disorders affecting the foot and lower leg. DPMs share with other physicians the legal authority to make independent professional judgments and to administer medical and surgical treatment. (Click [here](#) to view a few examples of Clark alumni podiatrists.)

### [Admission Information](#)

[American Academy of Podiatric Practice Management \(AAPP\)](#)

[American Academy of Podiatric Sports Medicine \(AAPSM\)](#); [AAPSM Scholarship Opportunities](#)

[American Association for Women Podiatrists \(AAWP\)](#); [AAWP Scholarship](#)

[American Board of Foot and Ankle Surgery \(ABFAS\)](#)

[American Board of Multiple Specialties in Podiatry \(ABMSP\)](#)

[American Board of Podiatric Medicine \(ABPM\)](#)

[American College of Foot and Ankle Orthopedics and Medicine \(ACFAOM\)](#)

[American College of Foot and Ankle Pediatrics \(ACFAP\)](#)

[American Podiatric Medical Association \(APMA\)](#); [Student Resources](#)

[American Podiatric Medical Students' Association \(APMSA\)](#); [APMSA Scholarships and Grants](#); [Resource Links](#)

[American Society of Foot and Ankle Surgeons \(ACFAS\)](#)

[American Society of Podiatric Surgeons \(ASPS\)](#)

[Applicant GPA Averages By Year](#); [Matriculant GPA Averages By Year](#)

[Applicant MCAT Averages By Year](#); [Matriculant MCAT Averages By Year](#)

[Applicant Statistics](#)

[Become a Podiatrist](#)

[Becoming a Podiatric Physician](#)

[Becoming a Podiatrist](#)

[California School of Podiatric Medicine at Samuel Merritt University](#)

[CSPM Podiatry Experience Summer Immersion Program](#)

[Council on Podiatric Medical Education](#)

[Des Moines University College of Podiatric Medicine and Surgery](#)

[Podiatry Preview Program](#)

[Des Moines University Health Professions Advanced Summer Scholars Program \(HealthPASS\)](#)

[Discover Podiatric Medicine Brochure](#)

[Federation of Podiatric Medical Boards](#)

[Financial Aid Advice](#)

[Future of Podiatric Medicine FAQ](#)

[Internship Programs](#)

[Kent State University College of Podiatric Medicine Pre-Professional Internship Program](#)  
[Mentors Network](#)  
[New York College of Podiatric Medicine Pre-Health Student Internship Program](#)  
[Podiatric Medical College Information Book](#)  
[Podiatric Medicine: A Career That Fits Your Future](#)  
[Podiatric Medicine as a Career](#)  
[Podiatric Medicine Interview](#)  
[Podiatric Medicine Overview](#)  
[Podiatric Physician Salary Range](#)  
[Podiatrist Career Guide](#)  
[Podiatrist Occupational Outlook](#)  
[Podiatrist Overview](#)  
[Podiatrist Salary Information](#)  
[Podiatry - Another Option in Healthcare](#)  
[Podiatry Book List at ePodiatry.com](#)  
[Podiatry Career](#)  
[Podiatry Forums on The Student Doctor Network](#)  
[Podiatry Information and Treatment Videos](#)  
[Podiatry Information on The Student Doctor Network](#)  
[Podiatry Student Profiles](#)  
[Temple University School of Podiatric Medicine Internship Programs](#)  
[Today's Podiatrist](#)

(Additional podiatry links are located on the "[Resources](#)" page. Scroll down to "Explore Even More," click on "Health Professions Links" and select "Podiatry.")

Degree	D.P.M.
Program Length	4-6 years
Professional Schools' Organization	<a href="#">AACPM</a> (American Association of Colleges of Podiatric Medicine) <a href="#">Accredited U.S. Podiatric Medical Schools</a> <a href="#">Podiatric Medical Colleges</a> <a href="#">Podiatry Schools</a>
Application Service	<a href="#">AACPMAS</a> (American Association of Colleges of Podiatric Medicine Application Service) <a href="#">AACPMAS Applicant Help Center</a> <a href="#">AACPMAS Traffic Rules</a>
Academic Admission Requirements	One year each: Biology, General Chemistry, Organic Chemistry, Math (through calculus), Physics, English.

[Prerequisites Table](#) (See PDF page 22 of [Podiatric Medical College Information Book](#), which is listed as page 32 of the book.)

Links to prerequisites for each U.S. podiatry school are found at the bottom of the [Choosing Your Courses](#) page (select "[Course Requirements of the U.S. Podiatry Schools](#)").

Admission Exam

[MCAT](#) (Medical College Admission Test)

Personal Attributes  
& Experiences

Similar to medicine. Knowledge and commitment to podiatric medicine gained through experience or shadowing a practicing podiatrist.

Recommendation  
Letters

[Health Professions Committee letter](#) and a letter of recommendation from a practicing podiatrist.