



Pre-Podiatry Advising Sheet

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. 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. Admissions prerequisites vary by institution. Some schools will not accept AP credit for prerequisites. Check requirements carefully.

Common Pre-Public Health Prerequisite Courses		
Biology	One year is required	BIO 1210/L, BIO 1220/L
General Chemistry	One year is required	CHM 1210/L, CHM 1220/L
Organic Chemistry	One year is required	CHM 3140/L, CHM 3150/L
Physics	One semester is required	PHY 1210/L, PHY 1220, OR PHY 1510, PHY 1520
English	One or two semesters are generally required	ENG 1103, ENG 2105

Resources

- American Podiatric Medical Association - <https://www.apma.org>
- The American Association of Colleges of Podiatric Medicine (AACPM) - <https://aacpm.org>
- The American Society of Podiatric Surgeons - <https://www.aspsmembers.org>
- Western University of Health Sciences: <https://www.westernu.edu/podiatricmedicine/>