

PRE-PODIATRIC MEDICINE & SURGERY

Pre-Podiatric Medicine and Surgery is a pre-professional advising track. Pre-professional tracks provide students with the intellectual and academic backgrounds they will need before continuing their education in degrees not offered at Minnesota State Mankato. Acceptance to professional educational institutions is contingent upon academic performance, so students enrolling in pre-professional tracks should be highly motivated and realize they are expected to maintain standards of excellence.

PROGRAMS



DEGREES AND CERTIFICATES

Pre-Podiatric Medicine & Surgery is a pre-professional advising track, not a degree program. The general requirement for admission to a college of podiatric medicine is a bachelor's degree. A few exceptional students are admitted with three years of college. All applicants are required to take the Medical College Admissions Test. Students are encouraged to contact the podiatric college or university they plan to attend during their second year in college. A minimum of 90 semester hours are required for admission to the College of Podiatric Medicine and Surgery. However, most students admitted to one of these colleges have completed undergraduate degrees.

ABOUT THE PROGRAM

Podiatric medicine is a branch of medicine devoted to the foot, ankle, and lower extremities. A Doctor of Podiatric Medicine (DPM) is a medical professional who diagnoses and treats foot, ankle, and lower leg conditions. Doctors of podiatry may perform surgery, complete medical histories, perform physical examinations, prescribe medications, set broken bones, treat sports-related injuries, and prescribe orthotics.

Advisors play an important role in guiding the students enrolled in such a plan of study so students are urged to contact their advisors before enrolling.

REAL-WORLD CONNECTIONS



SKILLS AND TALENTS

- Foot care Techniques
- Providing Treatment
- Knowledge of Podiatry and Anatomy
- Reasoning Skills
- Communication Skills
- Problem-Solving

CAREERS

- Podiatrist

EMPLOYERS

- Physicians Offices
- Healthcare Practitioners
- Hospitals
- Private Practice
- Federal Government

INSPIRED ACTION



EMPLOYMENT RATE

95.8%
of program graduates begin their careers within one year of graduation.

link.mnsu.edu/graduate-follow-up

MEDIAN SALARY

\$141,650

The median annual wage for Podiatrists in May 2023.

Bureau of Labor Statistics, U.S. Department of Labor, Occupational Outlook Handbook, Podiatrists at link.mnsu.edu/podiatrists-salary

PROGRAM WEBSITE



link.mnsu.edu/prepodiatry



COURSES REQUIRED FOR THE PRE-PODIATRIC MEDICINE & SURGERY ADVISING TRACK

REQUIRED GENERAL EDUCATION

- ENG 101 Composition
- ENG 201W Intermediate Writing (4)
- PSYC 101 Introduction to Psychological Science (4)
- SOC 101 Introduction to Sociology (3)

REQUIRED SUPPORT COURSES

- MATH 112 College Algebra (4) **AND**
MATH 113 Trigonometry (3) **OR**
MATH 115 Precalculus Mathematics (4)

REQUIRED FOR MAJORS

- BIOL 105 General Biology I (4)
- BIOL 106 General Biology II (4)
- CHEM 201 General Chemistry I (5)
- CHEM 202 General Chemistry II (5)
- CHEM 322 Organic Chemistry I (4)
- CHEM 324 Organic Chemistry II (3)
- CHEM 325 Organic Chemistry II Lab (1)
- CHEM 360 Principles of Biochemistry (4) **OR**
CHEM 460 Biochemistry II (3)
- PHYS 211 Principles of Physics I (4)
- PHYS 212 Principles of Physics II (4)

REQUIRED ELECTIVES

- Electives to yield a total of 90 semester credits are required.

For more information about course requirements, visit:
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