WHAT DEGREES AND PROGRAMS DO WE OFFER?

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. The Medical College Admissions Test is required of all applicants. 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.

Common majors for students pursuing the Pre-Podiatric Advising track are Biomedical Science, however, students may choose any major as long as all required pre-requisites are incorporated into the course work.

NATURE OF THE PROFESSION

A Doctor of Podiatric Medicine (DPM) provides preventive, diagnostic, medical, and surgical care for diseases and disorders affecting the human foot.

PLACES OF EMPLOYMENT

Nearly all podiatrists work in private offices or clinics. Because they, like other health practitioners, generally are self-employed, their hours are usually established by the other practitioners in their area. While many persons in the profession may average 40 hours per week, it could vary from 30 to 50 hours per week with some time involving evenings and Saturday.

EMPLOYMENT POTENTIAL

Currently, there are about 10,000 practicing podiatrists in the United States. The demand for podiatrists is expected to grow at the average rate for all occupations. The medium income for podiatrists is $124,840 in 2016.

COURSE RECOMMENDATIONS

| Biology:   | BIOL 105, 106 |
| Chemistry: | CHEM 201, 202, 322, 324, 360 |
| Communications: | ENG 101, 271W |
| Mathematics: | MATH 112 and 113 or 115 |
| Physics:   | PHYS 211, 212 |
| Psychology: | PSYC 101 |
| Sociology: | SOC 101 |
GO PRO LEARNING COMMUNITY

If you are entering college planning to continue advanced education by attending medical school, veterinary school, physical therapy school, or other professional programs, your path could be complex and challenging. The Pre-Professional Sciences learning community is here to help! The learning community will offer you support in your course work by having group study sessions throughout the week with others in your classes. You will also have the opportunity to have your questions answered through your interaction with faculty from these departments. The learning community is here to help guide you in the process of pursuing these demanding programs.

WHAT YOU’LL TAKE:

As a part of the learning community, you’ll be enrolled in the following courses:

Fall Semester
- SOC 101: Introduction to Sociology (3 credits)
- FYEX 100: First Year Seminar (1 credit)
- BIOL 105: General Biology I (4 credits)

Spring Semester
- PSYC 101: Introduction to Psychological Science (4 credits)
- CMST 102: Public Speaking (3 credits)
- BIOL 106: General Biology II (4 credits)

By enrolling in 15 credits or more per semester, you are more likely to complete your Bachelor’s degree in 4 years.

WHERE YOU’LL LIVE:

Students will be assigned to renovated double rooms (Crawford A, B, D, McElroy E, F, H or Preska I). Renovated rooms have in-room air-conditioning and share a community bathroom with the floor. Learning Community students are housed with other students in the same learning community.

For additional information about course requirements, please visit http://www.mnsu.edu/supersite/academics/bulletins/