



# PRE-PODIATRY PREPARATION

DEPARTMENT OF BIOLOGICAL SCIENCES  
AT EASTERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY

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CATALOG	
AS/AA/ASA DEGREE	
TRANSFER HOURS	

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Podiatrists: the medical experts for your complete foot care/surgical needs. To be a candidate for a podiatry program a student must complete at least 90 hours of education at the undergraduate level. The student then applies to a Doctor of Podiatric Medicine (DPM) degree at a professional college of podiatry. Admission is very competitive and each podiatry program has slightly different criteria. **It is important to review the pre-requisites for each school and identify which program you wish to apply and plan accordingly.** On average students should maintain a grade point average near 3.40/4.00 or higher, demonstrate leadership skills, expose yourself to the world of podiatry, and perform well on the Medical Admission Test (MCAT).

## GENERAL REQUIREMENTS:

### LANGUAGE\*: 6 HRS

Course	Hours	Grade	Semester
ENG 1001G Composition & Language	3		
ENG 1002G Composition & Literature	3		

### BIOLOGY\*: 12-20 HRS

Course	Hours	Grade	Semester
BIO 1500 General Biology I	4		
BIO 3120 Molecular & Cellular Biology	4		
BIO 3300 Microbiology	4		
<i>Highly Recommended Courses</i>			
BIO 2210 Anatomy & Physiology I	4		
BIO 2220 Anatomy & Physiology II	4		

### SOCIAL/BEHAVIORAL SCIENCE\*: 6 HRS

Course	Hours	Grade	Semester
PSY 1879G Intro to Psychology	3		
SOC 1838G Intro to Sociology	3		

### CHEMISTRY\*: 18 HRS

Course	Hours	Grade	Semester
CHM 1310G General Chemistry I	3		
CHM 1315G General Chemistry I Lab	1		
CHM 1410G General Chemistry II	3		
CHM 1415G General Chemistry II Lab	1		
CHM 2440 Organic Chemistry I	3		
CHM 2445 Organic Chemistry I Lab	1		
CHM 2840 Organic Chemistry II	3		
CHM 3450 Biochemistry	3		

### PHYSICS\*: 8 HRS

Course	Hours	Grade	Semester
PHY 1151G Physics I	3		
PHY 1152G Physics I Lab	1		
PHY 1161G Physics II	3		
PHY 1162G Physics II Lab	1		

\* Many courses have math prerequisites. Additional prerequisite classes may be required. See Undergraduate Catalog.

## SAMPLE COURSE SEQUENCE:

The suggested sequence assumes that the foreign language requirement has been completed.

FRESHMAN	
FALL	SPRING
ENG 1001G BIO 1500 CHM 1310G/1315G	ENG 1002G BIO 3300 CHM 1410G/1415G
SOPHOMORE	
FALL	SPRING
BIO 3120 CHM 2440/2445	CHM 2840/2845
JUNIOR	
FALL	SPRING
PHY 1151G/1152G CHM 3450	PHY 1161/1162 MCAT Exam

## WHAT MAKES YOU UNIQUE FROM OTHER APPLICANTS?

### Podiatric Experience

- Volunteer or work experience with a specialist is beneficial.
- Diversification of practice is advantageous, if possible: private practice, hospital, surgeon, etc.

### Leadership Experience

Podiatrists are leaders in their communities and demonstrated leadership skills are a must. Campus, church and community organizations provide excellent leadership opportunities.

## RESOURCES:

Council on Podiatric Medical Education [www.cpme.org](http://www.cpme.org)

Dr. William M Scholl College of Podiatric Medicine at Rosalind Franklin University of Medicine [www.rosalindfranklin.edu](http://www.rosalindfranklin.edu)

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