

# Course Prerequisites for Podiatric Medicine

Due to variation in each school's curriculum, the following is merely a guideline of typical requirements. To determine the exact requirements for each program, the student should work with their academic advisor to review each school to which he/she is applying.

To enter a school or college of podiatric medicine, one must first complete a minimum of three years or 90 semester hours of college credit at an accredited institution. However, over 97% of the students who enter a college of podiatric medicine have a bachelor's degree.

SMSU Course Number	Pre-Requisite courses for Program	Semester Credit Hours
Biol 200 Biol 201	Introduction to cellular biology with lab Introduction to Biodiversity and Evolution with lab	4 4
Biol XXX	Additional Biology courses are highly recommended Anatomy and Physiology I and II, Microbiology, Genetics, and Biochemistry	variable
Chem 231/232 Chem 351/352	General Chemistry I and II with lab Organic Chemistry I and II with lab	10 10
Phys 141/142	College Physics I and II	8
Eng 151 Eng 251 Spch 110	Academic Writing Writing in the Professions Essentials of Speaking and Listening	4 3 3

All applicants are required to take the Medical College Admissions Test (MCAT) to assess the examinee's verbal reasoning, problem solving, critical thinking, and knowledge of both physical and biological sciences. Information regarding the MCAT may be found at

<https://www.aamc.org/students/applying/mcat/>