Podiatric Clinical Education (PCED)

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PCED P337. Third-year Elective Podiatric Clerkship. 4.5 Credit Hours.
The third-year elective podiatric clerkship is an off-campus podiatric clinical experience designed to supplement the podiatric training of students for whom this is more desirable than similar training in a primary medical discipline. Students in P337 will be assigned to rotate with faculty at approved residency and clerkship sites in a mixture of office and hospital settings.

Repeatability: This course may be repeated for additional credit.

PCED P381. Intro Clerkship Clinical Pod I. 13.5 Credit Hours.
Students function as primary podiatric care providers under the supervision of the attending podiatric physician. The patients seen in PM typically present with a variety of chronic conditions for which they have been treated previously (such as mechanically induced keratoses of the feet as well as various nail pathologies such as onychomycosis and nail dystrophy); thus, the emphasis of this rotation is not on the initial patient evaluation. However, patients presenting for care of an established problem do develop new concerns from time to time and the student should be prepared to elicit a pertinent history and perform a focused examination appropriate to their evaluation. Furthermore, since many of the patients seen in PM have systemic disorders such as diabetes mellitus, students are expected to evaluate them for pedal manifestations which may indicate worsening of the systemic disorder and refer patients to the appropriate physician for more extensive work-up and intervention. Students should also routinely survey patients for changes in pedal risk factors such as the appearance of neuropathy and the development of pre-ulcerative lesions. Students will gain extensive experience in the recognition and management of a variety of hyperkeratotic and nail pathologies and are expected to appreciate the contributions of biomechanical factors and underlying systemic conditions to these.

Repeatability: This course may be repeated for additional credit.

PCED P384. Clerkship Clinical Podiatry I. 4.5 Credit Hours.
Clerkship in Clinical Podiatry (Surgery).

Class Restrictions: Must be enrolled in one of the following Classes: Third Year Podiatry.

Repeatability: This course may be repeated for additional credit.

PCED P385. Clerkship Clinical Podiatry II. 4.5 Credit Hours.
Clinical Clerkship in Podiatry (Medicine).

Repeatability: This course may be repeated for additional credit.

PCED P386. Clerkship Clinical Podiatry III. 4.5 Credit Hours.
Clerkship in Clinical Podiatry (Orthopedics).

Repeatability: This course may be repeated for additional credit.

PCED P387. Medical Elective. 4.5 Credit Hours.
Spring Clerkships for 3rd year Podiatry Students.

Repeatability: This course may be repeated for additional credit.

PCED P390. Clinical Correlations for Pediatric Medicine. 4.5 Credit Hours.
This course will combine instruction in the psychomotor skills of physical examination with high-yield focused clinical instruction using case studies, clinical vignettes, peer practice, patient simulations, and standardized patient contacts as appropriate for individual modules to develop skills in patient assessment and awareness of key issues in management of common systemic conditions and less common ones of critical importance in podiatric practice. Prerequisites: Successful completion (grade of 70 or better, or S or P as applicable) in all TUSPM didactic coursework.

College Restrictions: Must be enrolled in one of the following Colleges: Podiatric Medicine.

Repeatability: This course may not be repeated for additional credits.

PCED P410. Clerkship in General Orthopedics. 4.5 Credit Hours.
Podiatric medical students are responsible to the rotation intern, orthopedic resident(s) and the clinical orthopedic faculty for that particular orthopedic service. Podiatric medical students will be paired with a medical student for the duration of the rotation. This program is designed to have podiatric medical students become familiar with and experience orthopedic pathology to include diseases, fractures, soft tissue injuries, tumors, infections, neurological conditions, sports medicine injuries, etc.

Repeatability: This course may be repeated for additional credit.
PCED P420. Clerkship in Internal Medicine. 4.5 Credit Hours.
Students are assigned to an inpatient general medicine service where they function as part of the treatment team. Wherever possible, TUSPM students are paired with third or fourth year medical students. In any event, an intern or resident closely supervises the clinical activities of the students. Students are exposed to the usual routine of hospital based patient care and the record keeping which is required. Students are also preceptored in the work-up of patients. Attendance at all case conferences, team rounds, grand rounds, and didactic-activities are mandatory.

Repeatability: This course may be repeated for additional credit.

PCED P430. Summer Clinic. 5 Credit Hours.
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PCED P431. Clerkship Clinical Podiatry IV. 4.5 Credit Hours.
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PCED P432. Clerkship Clinical Podiatry V. 4.5 Credit Hours.
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Repeatability: This course may be repeated for additional credit.

PCED P433. Clerkship Clinical Podiatry VI. 4.5 Credit Hours.
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Repeatability: This course may be repeated for additional credit.
PCED P434. Clerkship Clinical Podiatry VII. 4.5 Credit Hours.
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Repeatability: This course may be repeated for additional credit.

PCED P440. Community Clerkship. 4.5 Credit Hours.
Students function as primary podiatric care providers under the supervision of the attending podiatric physician. This rotation will mimic a private practice setting.

Repeatability: This course may be repeated for additional credit.

PCED P441. External Podiatric Clerkship I. 4.5 Credit Hours.
Students function as primary podiatric care providers under the supervision of the attending podiatric physician. This rotation will mimic a private practice setting.

Repeatability: This course may be repeated for additional credit.

PCED P442. External Podiatric Clerkship II. 4.5 Credit Hours.
Students function as primary podiatric care providers under the supervision of the attending podiatric physician. This rotation will mimic a private practice setting.

Repeatability: This course may be repeated for additional credit.

PCED P443. External Podiatric Clerkship III. 4.5 Credit Hours.
Students function as primary podiatric care providers under the supervision of the attending podiatric physician. This rotation will mimic a private practice setting.

Repeatability: This course may be repeated for additional credit.

PCED P444. External Podiatric Clerkship IV. 4.5 Credit Hours.
Students function as primary podiatric care providers under the supervision of the attending podiatric physician. This rotation will mimic a private practice setting.

Repeatability: This course may be repeated for additional credit.

PCED P446. External Podiatric Clerkship V. 4.5 Credit Hours.
Students function as primary podiatric care providers under the supervision of the attending podiatric physician. This rotation will mimic a private practice setting.

Repeatability: This course may not be repeated for additional credits.

PCED P447. External Podiatric Clerkship VI. 4.5 Credit Hours.
Clerkship training is an integral and, therefore, required part of the curriculum of the fourth year student. The primary objective of the clerkship is to immerse the student in the highest quality educational experience possible. The following objectives are delineated for clerkship programs: 1. Provide comprehensive clinical exposure to the common problems of medicine and surgery. 2. Provide an environment in which the students can develop their clinical skills and diagnostic abilities. 3. Provide students, under attending supervision and as appropriate, an opportunity to increase their independence in treating patients. 4. Orient students to hospital-based acute care management. 5. Familiarize students with hospital operations and the role of podiatric medicine within this environment.

Repeatability: This course may not be repeated for additional credits.

Pre-requisites: Minimum grade of P in PCED P441, PCED P442, PCED P443, PCED P444, and PCED P446.
PCED P448. External Podiatric Clerkship VII. 4.5 Credit Hours.
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Repeatability: This course may not be repeated for additional credits.

Pre-requisites: Minimum grade of P in PCED P441, PCED P442, PCED P443, PCED P444, PCED P446, and PCED P447.

PCED P449. External Podiatric Clerkship VIII. 4.5 Credit Hours.
Clerkship training is an integral and, therefore, required part of the curriculum of the fourth year student. The primary objective of the clerkship is to immerse the student in the highest quality educational experience possible. The following objectives are delineated for clerkship programs: 1. Provide comprehensive clinical exposure to the common problems of medicine and surgery. 2. Provide an environment in which the students can develop their clinical skills and diagnostic abilities. 3. Provide students, under attending supervision and as appropriate, an opportunity to increase their independence in treating patients. 4. Orient students to hospital-based acute care management. 5. Familiarize students with hospital operations and the role of podiatric medicine within this environment.

Repeatability: This course may not be repeated for additional credits.

Pre-requisites: Minimum grade of P in PCED P441, PCED P442, PCED P443, PCED P444, PCED P446, and PCED P447.

PCED P495. Clinical Independent Study. 0 to 5 Credit Hours.
Repeatability: This course may be repeated for additional credit.