

A Shared Mission

Kent State University supports the mission of the Ohio College of Podiatric Medicine, which is to educate students to be highly competent doctors of podiatric medicine who excel in residency training. The goals of the college are to provide a high-quality, comprehensive educational program by which students will acquire the requisite knowledge, skills, judgment, leadership and ethical values necessary to deliver high-quality podiatric medical and surgical care to meet the health care needs of the public.



The Kent State Advantage

With a degree from Kent State University, OCPM students become part of a much larger group – the more than 200,000 professionals working in every corner of the world who are proud Kent State alumni.

Kent State University is the largest public university in Northeast Ohio and a recognized leader in the academic community. As part of the Kent State University system, OCPM students gain the advantage of an affiliation with an internationally renowned university along with access to faculty, resources, facilities and academic programs. OCPM students will have access to research opportunities through the 38 academic units across the nine colleges that offer 107 master's, six Educational Specialist and 48 doctoral degree programs.

Education And Technology

The curriculum at OCPM consists of two components: the basic sciences and the clinical sciences. The basic sciences make up the first two years of study at OCPM, where students develop a competence for understanding the entire body and its many functions. In the second through fourth years, students encounter the study of clinical sciences, which included formal course work and clinical rotations. The clinical curriculum at OCPM includes student rotations through general medicine, orthopedics, podiatric medicine and surgery.

OCPM is dedicated to having the highest level of technology available to its students. Our technology resources include a wireless internet campus, a student computer lab consisting of 30 computers, flat screen plasma TVs in all labs and group meeting rooms, 24-hour high-tech security system with 36 on-site cameras, motion sensed lighting throughout various parts of the campus and student and staff ID cards that grant access throughout the building and also serve as debit cards for purchases in the cafeteria, vending machines and library.



Affiliations

Our locations within the Cleveland medical community allows the college to foster several educational affiliations, thus expanding the resources available to our students. OCPM has regional and national affiliations with over 50 worldwide hospitals including the Cleveland Clinic and University Hospitals. In addition, more than 300 private practitioners nationwide provide clerkship training to OCPM students.

OCPM is accredited by the Council on Podiatric Medical Education as a sponsor of continuing education in podiatric medicine. From large, national continuing medical education conferences, to innovative, intimate conferences, OCPM provides a wealth of diverse programs for its alumni, students and the podiatric community.

Alumni

The mission of the OCPM Alumni Association is to support the needs of the alumni and assist in the college's development activities. The Alumni Association represents the entire OCPM alumni community. Through communications, events, reunions and other activities, the Alumni Association believes in bringing alumni together in forming a special bond within the OCPM community. OCPM's worldwide alumni are proud to represent one of the most prestigious and dignified medical colleges in the world. OCPM credentials truly make our alumni flourish as podiatrists.

Events

OCPM is dedicated to bringing together alumni, students, friends and the community in support of raising funds for its students. Events like the *Glass Slipper Fete* (a hall of fame induction gala), honor past alumni who have made major contributions to the field and study of podiatry. The OCPM *Clambake* is a day spent on campus with friends and alumni in an effort to support the college. These events raise significant funds that benefit the OCPM Scholarship Fund. In a typical year, OCPM awards more than \$500,000 of scholarships and financial assistance to its deserving students.

A Familiar Path, To A Bright Future

For more than 100 years, Kent State University has been an engine for economic, cultural and workforce development in Northeast Ohio and beyond as a premiere center of educational excellence. As one of the largest regional university systems in the country, Kent State has earned acclaim for applying new knowledge to address the needs of the communities it serves.

As the Ohio College of Podiatric Medicine nears its centennial anniversary, the organization continues its rich tradition of excellence, prestige and character in providing a specialized medical education program.

Originally founded as the Ohio College of Chiropody in Cleveland, Ohio, OCPM has grown to be one of the most highly reputable and internationally respected institutions in the world. Over the years, the College moved to larger buildings and increased its curricula from a three- to a four-year program. In 1974, the College officially changed its name to the Ohio College of Podiatric Medicine. To accommodate the demands of a growing student population and the need for expanded lab space and classrooms, OCPM moved in 2007, to its current home – a world-class, state-of-the-art podiatric medical institution in Independence, Ohio.

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Beginning summer of 2012, Kent State University and the Ohio College of Podiatric Medicine (OCPM) will officially merge into a single, academic entity: the Kent State University College of Podiatric Medicine (KSUCPM). The Ohio College of Podiatric Medicine, one of the largest and most respected podiatric medical education institutions in the country, will team up with Kent State University, Northeast Ohio's leading public research university. This partnership is designed for one purpose: to provide the best education and training for podiatric students.

The new KSUCPM will offer podiatric students the development of dual-degree programs, such as Master of Business Administration, Master of Public Health, and Ph.D. programs in various sciences. Students can take advantage of programs in the College of Education, Health and Human Services. Podiatric students will be able to work with all men's and women's sports teams that exist at Kent State, focusing on sports medicine that may lead to a new area of specialization in the Doctor of Podiatric Medicine program. In addition, students will have the opportunity to engage in research programs with public health, biomedical sciences and of course, sports medicine.

The curriculum for podiatric medicine will remain the same, yet with this partnership, it will offer more advantageous resources and opportunities for the podiatric medical student. From our high-tech anatomy and histology/microbiology labs to our on-site, clinical training facilities, our podiatric medical education will be among the nation's best, located right here at the KSUCPM Independence campus.

For more information about the Kent State University College of Podiatric Medicine, please contact us at 216.231.3300 or 800.238.7903. Visit us on-line at www.kent.edu/ocpm.



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