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COVID-19 ALERT

We want to thank you for your patience during this challenging time with COVID-19. We hope you and your families are safe and well. TUSPM recognizes the extraordinary situation current and future students are experiencing during the this pandemic. We would like to reassure advisors, faculty, and staff that TUSPM will accept pre-requisite courses delivered in either on-line or distance learning formats completed between January 2020 through July 2020.

TUSPM has agreed to accept coursework graded as Pass/Fail or for Credit Courses taken between January 2020 through July 2020.

We want to reassure applicants that disruptions to their educational trajectory during this time will be recognized and honored as "special circumstances beyond your control." Further, TUSPM is suspending, in part, its current Traffic Rules to alleviate requirements for the following: in-person interviews (interviews may now be conducted via video-conference technology or other acceptable means). We have also waived the MCAT (on a case by case basis) for entrance with the Class of 2024. However, we reserve the right to ask for additional information.

Be well and stay safe.

We are available to answer questions or offer any assistance at tuspmadm@temple.edu.

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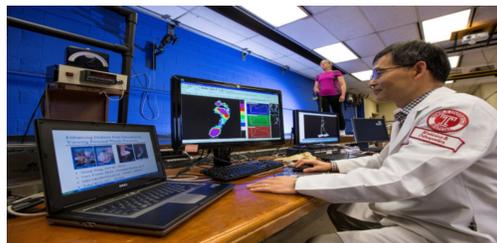
WHY CHOOSE PODIATRIC MEDICINE?



Did you know that Podiatric Physicians/Board Certified Foot & Ankle Surgeons are a part of the healthcare team?

A podiatrist is a Doctor of Podiatric Medicine (DPM), known also as a podiatric physician or surgeon. DPMs are specialists in the prevention, diagnosis, and treatment of lower extremity disorders, diseases and injuries. DPMs make independent judgments and performs or orders all necessary diagnostic tests.

At TUSPM, students in their 3rd year learn all about surgical procedures & surgical techniques! TUSPM even has two Surgical Suites directly on campus! Students are able to apply their knowledge and assist attending physicians with procedures directly on campus while still completing their didactic coursework. See what else TUSPM students are doing by following them on [Instagram @templepodiatry](https://www.instagram.com/templepodiatry)



SUMMER INTERNSHIP CANCELLED

Due to the ever changing circumstances surrounding COVID-19, TUSPM has decided to cancel the Summer Internship Program (SIP), scheduled for June 5-12, 2020. We encourage you to consider applying to our Winter Internship Program which will be held January 5-8, 2021.



One of the best things about Podiatric Medical School is being taught by physicians that are in the clinic and operating room daily. It's amazing to hear why every detail matters and that each case is unique.

- Attention to detail is everything! It's knowing all 122 ligaments, 26 bones, the joints and what makes each one unique.
- DPMs perform surgery, administer medications and prescribe physical therapy regimens.
- Podiatrists may practice a subspecialty such as sports medicine, orthopedics, pediatrics, dermatology, radiology, geriatrics, or diabetic foot care.

TUSPM TIDBITS

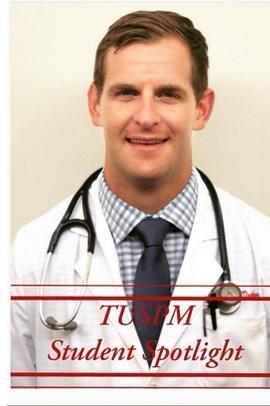


Tune in to TUSPM Alum, Dr. Bradley Schaeffer, Co-host of TLC, "My Feet Are Killing Me!"

It gives you a whole new view into Podiatric Medicine and shows many cases Podiatric Surgeon's encounter in their office and different types of corrective surgery performed along with its outcomes.

TUSPM STUDENT SPOTLIGHT

Christopher Dreikorn



Christopher is a fourth year student that chose to attend TUSPM because of the clinic experience which he feels is unmatched due to a large patient volume as well as the large variety of cases that he gets to diagnose and treat as a student doctor under the guidance of the clinicians.

When deciding on a career, Christopher was drawn to podiatry as it allowed him to focus on subjects he is passionate about such as lower extremity injuries as well as a desire to work with veterans.

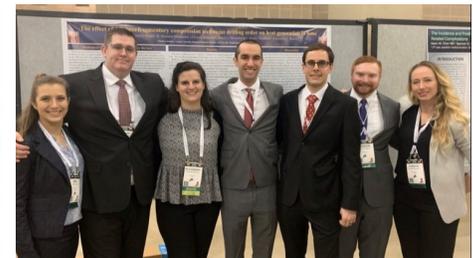
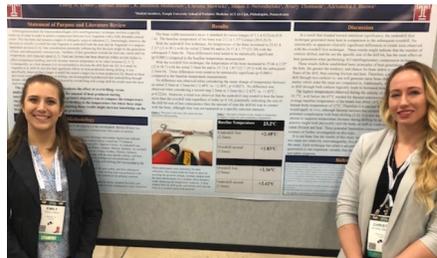


Fun Fact: When he is not in the clinic, you can catch Christopher building furniture or surfing a wave.

TUSPM Student Organizations

- American Association of Women Podiatrists
- ACFAOM-American College of Foot & Ankle Orthopedics & Medicine
- ACFAS-American College of Foot & Ankle & Surgeons
- APHA-American Public Health Association
- BMOB-Biomechanics & Orthopedics Club
- CPSA-Christian Podiatric Student Association
- Community Service
- Dermatology Club
- Ethics Club
- Forensics Club
- Global Health Club
- JPMSA- Jewish Podiatric Medicine Student Association
- TUSPMJS- TUSPM Journal Society
- MSC- Medical Spanish Club
- MSA-Muslim Student Association
- Pediatrics Club
- PMC- Practice Management Club
- Running Club
- SIM- Students for Integrative Medicine
- SNPMA- Student National Podiatric Medical Association
- Spectrum
- Sports Medicine Club
- Wound Care

TUSPM Students at ACFAS 2020



In February, several of our faculty and students traveled to San Antonio for the 2020 American College of Foot and Ankle Surgeons (ACFAS) Annual Scientific Conference (ASC), and participated in the conference through meetings, lectures and scientific posters. Specifically, TUSPM was represented by 2 lectures and 2 moderating sessions, as well as 12 scientific posters through work by Dr. Van and Dr. Pontious, as well as the TUSPM student club (Emily Lobos, Sam Straus, Brennon Middleton, Christie Stawicki, Shaun Novoshelski, Avery Thompson and Alexandra Brown) with their poster entitled “The effect of AO inter-fragmentary compression technique drilling order on heat generation in bone”.

Thanks to this group for contributing to TUSPM’s academic culture and representing us well!

Summer/Winter

Internship Program

TUSPM offers a free, four-day winter internship program (WIP) in January or an eight-day summer internship program (SIP) in June for undergraduate students. [\(brochure\)](#)

Interns attend workshops and seminars on podiatric medicine, as well as shadow and work with podiatric physicians in hospital, private practice, and outpatient clinic settings. A TUSPM student doctor will also work with interns on a case presentation.

Winter Internship Program

January 5-8, 2021

Application Deadline : November 24, 2020

Summer Internship Program

June 2021

Application Deadline: TBD

Interprofessional Medical Workshop



Healthcare has an interdisciplinary approach, so at TUSPM, we have our students participate in an Interprofessional Activity each semester, where they meet with students from Temple’s Medicine, Dental, Pharmacy, Physical Therapy, Physician Assistant and Nursing programs! By discussing clinical cases and common healthcare problems, students from each profession share their perspectives and roles, and learn how we can all collaborate to provide the best comprehensive care for our future patients!

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TUSPM Students
Around the Town



Students venture the city when they have some free time & immerse themselves in all the city has to offer!



THANK YOU TO OUR FIRST
RESPONDERS & ESSENTIAL WORKERS



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Faculty Profile



Kwasi Kwaadu, DPM '09
By: Norah McDonnell, ENG '22

Kwasi Kwaadu, DPM was first introduced to podiatry in his junior year of college by an uncle, and this introduction had a significant impact on his life, as Dr. Kwaadu then chose to pursue a Doctorate in Podiatric Medicine from Temple University and graduated in 2009. Dr. Kwaadu remembers his time as a student fondly at TUSPM and said that his favorite part of school was working in the clinic. He loves the real-world experiences of talking to patients with genuine health concerns, and also enjoys patient pathology. While in school, Dr. Kwaadu also enjoyed applying the lessons learned in the classroom to the scenarios in the clinic. Dr. Kwaadu is the proud father of young twin boys and they are his greatest accomplishment in life. They are starting to develop personalities, and Dr. Kwaadu is looking forward to them growing up, helping them learn, and seeing all of their accomplishments. When asked about advice for students, Dr. Kwaadu has strong words of wisdom and encouragement.

It is important to be academically mature; you cannot be upset by results if you are only putting in minimal effort. Taking life and work seriously are important, as you get out of life what you put in. Dr. Kwaadu also advises his students to be proactive in their education, get involved, and to invest in themselves. For students specifically first setting foot in the clinic, he reminds us that unfamiliarity is always uncomfortable, and the clinicians understand that the students are walking into a brand-new world. A major component of medicine is falling down and getting back up again, and not fearing mistakes. Students should always ask questions and realize that the doctors are going to help them, and they will not allow a student to do something that will harm a patient. Dr. Kwaadu encourages students to understand that failure is a part of learning, and that there are always opportunities for growth upon failure. He has bright, intelligent students and is proud to be teaching them.

Dr. Kwaadu enjoys being a part of the process to shape the future, whether that is a student's education, a patient's health, or for the profession as a whole. He is taking a leadership class at Temple right now that is helping him to view podiatry through an administrative perspective. He is learning about processes, logistics, and Temple as a whole. Dr. Kwaadu would love to challenge some of the old-school perspectives about podiatry and wants to be more progressive in policies and in treatment. Some of the joy in everyday comes directly from working with colleagues, helping others, and educating.

Dr. Kwaadu is looking forward for the future. One of his most pressing goals is to be a part of the collective growth of Temple University. He is excited to watch his children grow up and helping them to grow and learn as well. We thank Dr. Kwaadu for his time for this interview and wish him nothing but success in the future.

Congratulations
Dr. McGuire



Dr. James McGuire, DPM, PT, LPed has been recognized as the top-viewed lecturer in 2019 on the PRESENT e-Learning Systems website. He is currently a Professor, Clinician, Scholar, and Wound Center Director of the Temple University School of Podiatric Medicine. Not only has Dr. McGuire received many awards specialized in wound care, but he also has been at the forefront of treating the diabetic foot and giving patients low amputation rates. Dr. McGuire puts his patients first and we are pleased to have him as part of our community.

Dr. Marvin Marcelin, A TUSPM Alum and Current TUSPM Students
facilitated a Suturing Workshop at the University of the Sciences



TUSPM and the AACPM hosted a suturing workshop at the University of the Sciences led by Dr. Marvin Marcelin, a TUSPM alum, along with TUSPM student ambassadors. Participants learned about the field of podiatric medicine along with the skills and patience required to learn how to make a suture.