

PODIATRIC PROFESSIONAL PRACTICE STUDIES

Credit Points 10

Legacy Code 401119

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Description This unit will introduce students to the principles of professional development and appropriate requirements to function as a registered podiatrist. As podiatrists may work as a primary provider, as part of a multidisciplinary team, in the public or private health care setting, they require extensive knowledge of many aspects of the management of a practice or business. During seminars, students will be introduced to a number of principles specific to professional, ethical and legal issues associated with working as a podiatrist, and practice and workplace administrative policies and procedures.

School Health Sciences

Discipline Podiatry

Student Contribution Band HECS Band 2 10cp

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Level Undergraduate Level 4 subject

Pre-requisite(s) REHA 4018

Co-requisite(s) REHA 4016 AND REHA 4019

Incompatible Subjects REHA 7023 - Podiatric Professional Practice Studies

Restrictions Students must be enrolled in 4708 Bachelor of Podiatric Medicine. The subject is Podiatry specific

Learning Outcomes

On successful completion of this subject, students should be able to:

1. Integrate knowledge of ethical, legal and socio-demographic issues associated with the practice of podiatry.
2. Explain principles of business, employment, taxation, and health and safety relating to health care practice.
3. Explain medicolegal requirements and responsibilities for podiatry practice including the requirements of government departments.
4. Demonstrate skills in interpersonal and inter-professional communication within the context of employment and practice as a podiatrist including job applications and resumes.
5. Build a relationship with government departments, professional associations and companies related to the practice of podiatry.
6. Review in-depth knowledge of a specific area of clinical practice focusing on evidence based practice.

Subject Content

1. Types of Podiatry Practice
 - Private practice - Business plans; Employment/Contracting; Taxation; Practice management
 - public health practice
 - podiatric research
 - podiatric surgery

- Working overseas
 - podiatry suppliers
2. Medicolegal Requirements and Responsibilities and Professional Associations
 - professional Registration
 - Government departments - Department of Veteran Affairs; NSW Podiatry Council
 - health and safety - infection control
 - Insurance - Professional indemnity; Workcover; Property
 - Australian podiatry Association / Australian podiatry Council
 3. Ethical and Socio-demographic Issues related to Podiatry Practice
 - Complaints handling
 - socio-Demographic and socio-economic considerations for healthcare
 - multi-disciplinary healthcare
 - evidence based practice
 - interpersonal and inter-professional communication
 4. Job Applications
 - cover letters
 - Answering selection criteria
 - writing resumes
 - self-promotion

Assessment

The following table summarises the standard assessment tasks for this subject. Please note this is a guide only. Assessment tasks are regularly updated, where there is a difference your Learning Guide takes precedence.

Item	Length	Percent	Threshold	Individual/Group Task
Proposal	1,500 words	50	N	Individual
Two Simulated Job Applications - Written	7 pages – Cover letter (1 page), Selection criteria (up to 3 pages), Resume (up to 3 pages)	50	N	Individual
Attendance at Seminars	30 hours at seminars	S/U	Y	Individual

Teaching Periods

2nd Half Campbelltown Day

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