

Bachelor of Podiatry (Honours)

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Take your first steps towards a career in podiatry



La Trobe's Bachelor of Podiatry (Honours) offers a world-class curriculum combined with a clinical program to prepare you for a successful career as a podiatrist in Australia or overseas. You'll learn how to treat and manage conditions of the foot and lower limb, including bone and joint disorders, plus neurological and circulatory diseases. Gain hands-on experience with over 1,000 hours of work placements and access to La Trobe's on-campus podiatry clinic.

Why study podiatry at La Trobe?

- Take advantage of industry growth with a projected 2,000 job openings in Australia over the next five years.¹
- La Trobe is home to one of Australia's oldest podiatry schools² and is the only university in Victoria offering a podiatry course.
- Build practical skills in our on-campus podiatry clinic and during clinical placements.
- Develop a global perspective on podiatry with opportunities for overseas placements in Singapore and Glasgow.

What will I learn?

With La Trobe's renowned health expertise, our Bachelor of Podiatry (Honours) gives you an in-depth understanding of:

- anatomy of the lower limb, foot and multiple body systems
- how to make diagnoses and apply treatment planning and technical skills in a clinical setting
- common dermatological conditions seen in podiatric practice
- the principles of human movement and motor control
- practical podiatry skills during clinical placements interstate and overseas

And with our commitment to giving you a practical education, you'll participate in over 1,000 hours of clinical placements.

Career outcomes

Graduate with specialised skills and knowledge needed to launch a podiatry career in the following health settings:

- hospitals
- community healthcare centres
- sports medicine clinics
- rehabilitation centres
- private practice
- government agencies

Course details

Location/course code

Melbourne Campus (HHPOD)

Annual tuition fee

A\$40,600 per 120 credit points³

Intake

Semester 1 (February) 2023

Duration

4 years full-time

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Academic entry requirements

At a minimum, you'll need to have:

- VCE units 3 and 4: A study score of at least 30 in English (EAL) or at least 25 in English other than EAL
- VCE units 3 and 4: A study score of at least 25 in one biology, chemistry, any mathematics, physical education or physics

For specific admission information, use the below link to visit our website to find your course entry requirements.

[latrobe.edu.au/courses](https://www.latrobe.edu.au/courses)

IELTS

7.0/7.0⁴

Scholarships

Students of this course may be eligible for scholarships.

Learn how you could access help to study with us at La Trobe.

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Accreditation

La Trobe's podiatry courses have consistently received professional accreditation. Our new course, the Bachelor of Podiatry (Honours) is currently seeking accreditation with the Podiatry Board of Australia (PBA). Pending the outcome of the processes, graduates of the Bachelor of Podiatry (Honours) may be eligible to apply for registration with the Podiatry Board of Australia (PBA). Professional membership may be subject to additional or ongoing requirements beyond completion of the degree. Please contact the relevant professional body for details.

Our research in human movement and sports science and in physiology is rated

well above world standard⁶

89.9%

of our recent graduates from undergraduate health services and support degrees found employment within four months⁷

We're in the **top 1%** of universities worldwide⁵

Learn more

For more information about entry requirements, scholarships and how to apply, visit:

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Sample course structure⁸

First year (120 credit points)				
Semester 1	HLT1FPC	HBS1HBA	PHE1UHW	POD1CSF
	Foundations of Professional Communication	Human Biosciences A	Understanding Health and Wellbeing	Cutaneous Science of the Foot
Semester 2	POD1PPA	HBS1HBB	MIC1MMP	HLT1RAE
	Podiatric Practice A	Human Biosciences B	Medical Microbiology for Podiatry	Research and Evidence in Practice
Second year (120 credit points)				
Semester 1	POD2PPB	HBS2ALF	HBS2PAT	HLT2IEP
	Podiatric Practice B	Anatomy: Lower Limb and Foot	Pathophysiology	Integrating Evidence into Practice
Semester 2	POD2PPC	POD2PAP	POD2PNA	HBS3PCY
	Podiatric Practice C	Podiatric Pathophysiology and Assessment	Podiatric Populations A	Foundations in Pharmacology
Third year (120 credit points)				
Semester 1	POD3PPD	POD3HRF	POD3PNB	POD3BIO
	Podiatric Practice D	High Risk Foot	Podiatric Populations B	Podiatric Biomechanics
Semester 2	POD3PPE	POD3PHY	POD3MSK	HLT4PPP Project Planning and Preparation (<i>Industry Honours stream</i>) or HLT4RPP Research Project Planning (<i>Research Honours stream</i>)
	Podiatric Practice E	Podiatric Pharmacology	Musculoskeletal Pathology for Podiatrists	
Fourth year (120 credit points)				
Semester 1	POD4PPF	POD4MCF	POD4EBP	HLT4HIP Honours Industry Project (<i>Industry Honours stream</i>) or HLT4HRP Honours Research Project (<i>Research Honours stream</i>)
	Podiatric Practice F	Medical Conditions Affecting the Foot	Evidence Based Practice in Health (<i>Industry Honours stream only</i>)	
Semester 2	POD4PPG			
	Podiatric Practice G			



'La Trobe's Bachelor of Podiatry (Honours) prepares students for an exciting career in podiatry. You will work with highly experienced clinical staff to gain hands-on experience in community health centres, hospitals and at our on-campus podiatry clinic. With experience in managing sports, paediatric and surgical cases, graduates are ready to enter the job market of the future.'

Dr Daniel Bonanno
Senior Lecturer and Course
Coordinator, Podiatry

1. Australian Government Job Outlook – Podiatrists (ANZSCO ID 2526).
2. Schnock, W. (1989). *Annotations to the history of Chiropody-Podiatry in Victoria 1929-1979*. Malvern, Australia.
3. 120 credit points represents full-time study for one year.
4. Please see online for the most recent information on language eligibility criteria.
5. Times Higher Education (THE), 2020, *World University Rankings 2020*; Consejo Superior de Investigaciones Científicas (CSIC), 2019, *Ranking Web of Universities*.
6. Australian Research Council, 2019, *Excellence in Research for Australia (ERA) Outcomes 2018*.
7. Quality Indicators for Learning and Teaching (QILT), 2021, *ComparED: Health Services & Support (Undergraduate)*.
8. Sample course structure is indicative and subject to change depending on location, offer year or chosen specialisations, majors, minors and electives. Structures are not finalised until October, so the sample is based on the most recently approved structure. For more information, refer to the Handbook.

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