

PODIATRY



A newly qualified podiatrist in the NHS will typically start on a salary of AfC band 5 **£22,128** outside of London ^[1]



What does a podiatrist do?

A podiatrist's primary aim is to improve the mobility, independence and quality of life for their patients. Imagine how amazing that feels! ^[2]



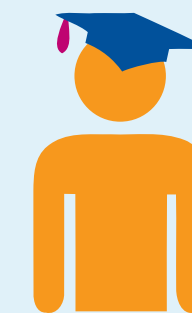
13,163

13,163 podiatrists are registered with the Health and Care Professions Council ^[3]



2,673

There are approximately 2,673 podiatrists working for the NHS ^[4]



Entry requirements

To get onto a podiatry degree course you usually need **3 A-levels**, including a biological science (or equivalent level 3 qualifications) plus five GCSEs (grades A-C, or equivalent), including English language, maths and science (or alternative qualifications at level 2). ^[5]

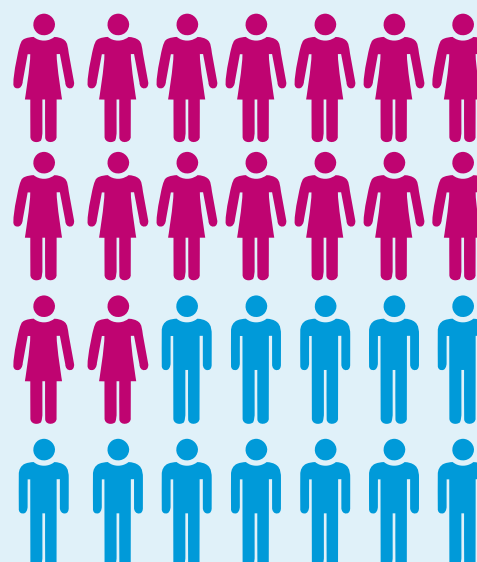


Standard working week in the NHS is

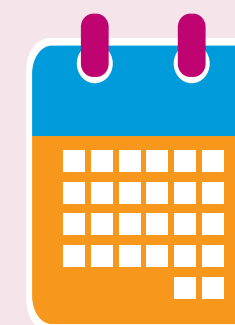
37.5 hours ^[6]



13 universities across the country offer full-time and part-time BSc (Hons) in podiatry ^[7]



Approximately **25.4%** of podiatrists working in the NHS are male and **74.6%** female ^[4]



Podiatry degree courses take **3** or **4 years** on a full time basis or four and a half years part time. Courses differ but all involve a lot of practical work with patients ^[5]

'What they say'

"It's very **rewarding** to help a patient improve their quality of life." Vicki Jackson, diabetic specialist podiatrist ^[1]

Facts and figures taken from; [1] www.healthcareers.nhs.uk/AfC [2] www.careersinpodiatry.com/ [3] www.hpc-uk.org/aboutregistration/theregister/stats/ [4] <https://digital.nhs.uk/catalogue/PUB30075> [5] www.healthcareers.nhs.uk/explore-roles/allied-health-professionals/podiatrist/entry-requirements-and-training-podiatrist [6] www.healthcareers.nhs.uk/afc [7] <https://www.healthcareers.nhs.uk/courses>