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## WHERE DO PODIATRISTS WORK?

Podiatrists are often employed or self-employed to work in private practice, hospitals, sports clinics, community clinics, rest homes, Marae, footwear stores or at Auckland University of Technology (AUT).

New Zealand trained podiatrists are also able to work in Australia, Singapore and the United Kingdom.

## WHAT TRAINING IS INVOLVED?

To become a podiatrist, you need to complete a Bachelor of Health Science degree (3-years) in Podiatry from the Auckland University of Technology (AUT).

## WHAT CLASSES SHOULD I TAKE NOW?

A tertiary entrance qualification is required for admission to Bachelor degrees at AUT. Useful subjects may include:

- Science
- Biology
- Chemistry
- English
- Te Reo Māori
- Physical education

