

International Applicants

Our Master’s in Prosthetics Orthotics (MPO) Program curriculum is designed to prepare graduates to enter an accredited P&O [Residency](#) that would permit sitting for national examinations by the [American Board for Certification](#) and ultimately to practice within the United States. International applicants planning to practice outside of the USA must determine whether this focus would be helpful in meeting their personal goals. Please note that students who are not citizens of the United States must also demonstrate acceptable immigration/visa status to Northwestern University.

Graduates of foreign undergraduate and graduate institutions are welcome to apply for admission. Foreign-trained applicants should complete the following preliminary steps prior to submitting a formal application, to insure eligibility for consideration.

International Applicant Requirements

TOEFL (Test of English as a Foreign Language)

Applicants who have not earned a baccalaureate degree or graduate degree from a regionally accredited U.S. or Canadian college or university, regardless of the official language of the country in which the education took place or the predominant language of the degree-granting institution, must demonstrate English language proficiency on the TOEFL: <http://www.ets.org/toefl>.

Minimum scores, as determined by the Feinberg School of Medicine, are listed below:

Minimum TOEFL scores					
TOEFL test options	Total	Listening	Reading	Writing	Speaking
Internet-based test	84	20	20	20	24
Computer-based test	223				
Paper-based test	563				

Foreign Transcript Evaluation

For course work and/or academic degrees from institutions not in the U.S. or Canada, a course-by-course transcript evaluation demonstrating equivalency must be provided by the World Education Service: <http://www.wes.org/>. The minimum acceptable equivalence to apply to the MPO Program is a Bachelor’s degree.

International Office

Potential applicants may find the resources of the International Office of Northwestern University helpful: <http://www.northwestern.edu/international/>.