

Prosthetics/Orthotics 725A - Upper/Lower-Limb Prosthetics and Orthotics for Physicians, Surgeons, and Therapists: April 21-24, 2025

Venue: Northwestern University Prosthetics - Orthotics Center 680 N Lake Shore Drive, Suite 1100 – Chicago, IL 60611

Agenda

Monday, April 21st		
8:30-8:45	Orientation	Mr. Robinson
8:45-10:30	Principles of Amputation Surgery	Dr. Ertl
10:30-10:45	Break	
10:45-11:45	Overview: Post-Operative Physical Therapy for the Patient with	
	Lower-Limb Amputation	Dr. Hagopian
11:45-12:45	Lunch	
12:45-2:00	Normal Human Locomotion	Dr. Gard
2:00 – 2:15	Break	
2:15 – 2:45 Robinson	Post-Operative Prosthetics for the Patient with Lower Limb Amputation	Mr.
2:45 – 3:45	Prosthetic Feet	Mr. Hasso
3:45 – 4:00	Break	
4:00 - 4:45	Principles of the Partial Foot and Symes Prostheses	Mr. Robinson
Tuesday, April 22 nd		Room 1105
8:30-9:45	Transtibial Prosthetic Care, Biomechanics and Prescription	Mr. Hasso
9:45-10:00	Break	
10:00-11:15	Transfemoral and Proximal Lower Limb Prosthetic Care, Biomechanics and Prescription	Ms. Beattie
11:15-12:00	Transfemoral and Transtibial Case Presentation	Mr. Hasso / Ms. Beattie
12:00-1:00	Lunch	
1:00-1:30	Post-Operative Occupational Therapy for the Patient with Upper	
	Limb Amputation	Dr. Turner
1:30-2:30	Upper Limb Prostheses and Harnessing Principles	Mr. Socie
2:30-2:45	Break	
2:45-3:30	Externally Powered Prostheses	Mr. Socie
3:30-4:15	Occupational Therapy with an Upper Limb Prosthesis	Dr. Turner
4:15-5:00	Case Presentations: Upper Limb Prosthetic Management	Dr. Turner / Mr. Socie
Wednesday, April 23		Room 1105

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8:30-9:30	Prosthetic Management of the Medically Complex Amputee	Dr. Reger
9:30-9:45	Break	
9:45-10:45	Common Foot Disorders and Pedorthic Recommendation	Mr. Robinson
10:45-11:00	Break	
11:00-12:30	Lower Limb Orthotics Systems, Biomechanics and Recommendation: AFO	Mr. Robinson
12:30-1:30	Lunch	
1:30-2:15 Robinson	Case Presentation and Review: AFO	Mr.
2:15-2:30	Break	
2:30-4:00	Lower Limb Orthotics Systems, Biomechanics and Recommendation: KAFO	Mr. Cavanaugh
4:00-4:15	Break	
4:15-5:00	Case Presentation and Review: KAFO	Mr. Cavanaugh
Thursday, April 24		Room 1105
8:30-10:00	Spinal Deformities: Classification and Management	Dr. Bovid
10:00-10:15	Break	
10:15-11:15	Orthotic Management of Scoliosis	Mr. Speers
	Recommendation	
11:15-12:00	Spinal Orthotic Systems for the Treatment of Fractures and	Mr. Brinkmann
	Discogenic Pathologies	

Contact Hours: 23.75

Closing Remark

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12:00-12:15

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Learning Outcomes

At the conclusion of the course, the learner will:

- 1. Demonstrate a fundamental understanding of the contemporary rehabilitation care and services that the team provides to patients who require prosthetic and/or orthotic intervention.
- 2. Demonstrate a fundamental knowledge of common levels of amputation and the etiology associated with upper and lower limb amputations.
- 3. Identify the role that the physical and occupational therapist plays in the post-operative and sub-acute management of the patient with amputation.
- 4. Demonstrate the ability to develop a detailed upper and/or lower limb prosthetic prescription based upon contemporary evidence, clinical exam findings and patient values/preferences.
- 5. Identify atypical clinical presentations and criteria for referral to other health care specialists when presented.
- 6. Describe the biomechanics of normal human locomotion using static and dynamic models of gait.
- 7. Identify atypical gait patterns commonly seen within the neuromuscular and orthopedic patient populations.
- 8. Recognize patients' common clinical presentations that can benefit from upper, lower and/or spinal orthotic management.
- 9. Demonstrate the ability to develop a detailed lower limb orthotic prescription based upon contemporary evidence, clinical exam findings and patient values/preferences.
- 10. Understand the etiology and biomechanics associated with common deformities of the spine, including scoliosis and kyphosis.
- 11. Demonstrate an understanding of treatment protocols tied to the management of persons with spinal deformity, acute injury and/or post-operative needs.
- 12. Demonstrate the ability to develop a detailed lower limb orthotic prescription based upon contemporary evidence, clinical exam findings and patient values/preferences.



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