**Description**

This fellowship program provides a comprehensive curriculum with in-depth exposure to the clinical management of orthopaedic foot and ankle patients and ample opportunity to perform basic science and clinical research.

Fellows will participate in the pre-operative, intra-operative, and post-operative management of patients in both an academic setting and a private practice setting. The fellow will rotate between the UC Davis Department of Orthopaedic Surgery and the Reno Orthopaedic Clinic (Reno, Nevada) with six months at each location. Both locations will address the education objectives of the fellowship and the personal objectives of the fellows.

The fellowship begins **August 1st** and ends **July 31st**. Compensation for PGY6 is $68,964/year with excellent benefits.

All interested individuals should apply through the SF Match Program at: www.sfmatch.org

Individuals with questions regarding the UC Davis Foot and Ankle Fellowship should call 916-734-5885.

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*All fellowships require licensure in the State of California. If you have questions about California requirements, please contact:*

**The Medical Board of California**
916-263-2344

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**Our Vision**

To be the nation’s leader in orthopaedic excellence. We will lead national research innovation, education, and excellence in orthopaedic surgery that contributes to better mobility and quality of life for patients.

**Our Mission**

To leverage one of the nation’s richest orthopaedic research environments, multidisciplinary collaborations unique to UC Davis and our outstanding faculty to enable compassionate patient care, ground-breaking innovations and superior training for existing and future generations of orthopaedic surgeons.
Overview

The Foot and Ankle Fellowship is a one-year program designed to prepare an orthopaedic surgeon for a career in orthopaedic foot and ankle surgery, in either a full-time academic setting or private practice. Clinical training is provided in all aspects of foot and ankle surgery, with particular emphasis on lower extremity (knee, ankle, and foot) sports medicine injuries, Achilles tears and disorders, bunions and toe deformities, ankle and knee articular cartilage injuries, post-traumatic foot and ankle deformities, foot and ankle arthritis, diabetic foot disorders, and foot orthotic evaluation and management. Fellows will develop autonomy in the operating room, gain advanced foot and ankle arthroscopy and have a fellow’s clinic during each rotation. Foot and ankle fellows, along with the chief resident of the service are responsible for all aspects of patient care. Three junior residents also rotate on the service. Rotating schedules provide ample exposure in both inpatient and outpatient settings.

In addition to the academic clinical setting at the UC Davis Medical Center, the fellow will spend 6 months at the Reno Orthopaedic Clinic. A private practice setting, the Reno Orthopaedic Clinic will educate the fellows on all aspects of business regarding orthopaedic trauma care. Upon completion of the fellowship, applicants should be prepared to enter the practice of orthopaedic trauma with management skills required to establish and sustain an orthopaedic trauma system.

The fellowship will provide a unique graduate medical education experience for a fully-trained Orthopaedic Surgeon interested in advancing their experience in Foot and Ankle Orthopaedics.

During the 6-month rotation at the UC Davis Medical Center, the fellow will spend 2.5 days per week in clinic, 2 days in the OR and .5 days will be dedicated for research under the supervision of the foot and ankle faculty, and research staff. Under the supervision of the research faculty, the fellow is encouraged to utilize the research laboratories and clinical database for clinical studies.

The fellow will have one-on-one exposure to the Orthopaedic Surgery Foot and Ankle faculty and as the year progresses be expected to take on supervisory responsibilities of the residents in the clinical and operative setting. In addition, the fellow will participate in combined clinic and teaching sessions held bimonthly at the UC Davis Department of Orthopaedic Surgery. There are monthly morbidity and mortality care projects in which the fellow will be required to participate in each month. During their time at the Reno Orthopaedic Clinic, the fellow will continue to participate in these monthly projects. Quarterly, there is a complex foot clinic to discuss complex cases, and one per rotation, fellows attend a cadaver lab with Dr. Eric Giza.

Expectations of the Fellows

- To become competent in all aspects of caring for foot and ankle issues including operative and non-operative injuries and rehabilitation.
- To develop teaching skills and instruct residents and medical students in diagnosis and treatment of foot & ankle medical problems.
- To participate in laboratory and clinical research and publish at least one paper in a peer review journal.

Weekly Conferences

- Grand Rounds Tuesday 7-8 AM
- Resident core curriculum sessions Tuesdays 8-9 AM and Fridays 7-8 AM
- Journal clubs with select faculty are offered on a monthly basis to review selected current journal articles and topics – Third Tuesday from 6:30-8:30 PM
- Lectures to cover 1 of 25 main foot and ankle topics.