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## **2019-2020 ORTHOPAEDIC FOOT & ANKLE FELLOWSHIPS Programs with Open Positions**

October 29, 2018

The following programs participated in the Orthopaedic Foot & Ankle Fellowship Match sponsored by the American Orthopaedic Foot & Ankle Society and administered by San Francisco Matching Services (SF Match). These programs have orthopaedic foot and ankle fellowship positions still available for the 2019-2020 program year.

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### **Alabama Foot & Ankle Fellowship at U. of Alabama at Birmingham (UAB)**

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Birmingham, AL 35205

Hospital / Facility: University of Alabama at Birmingham (UAB)

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Program Director: Ashish B. Shah, MD

Department Chair: Steven Theiss, MD (Interim Chair)

Other Faculty: Michael D. Johnson, MD; Nilesh Chaudhari, MD

Website: <https://www.uab.edu/medicine/orthopaedics/education/fellowships/foot-and-ankle>

Start date: August 1, 2019; End date: July 31, 2020

Stipend: Equivalent to PGY 6 year

Accepts International (non US/Canada) applicants as full fellows: Yes

Accepts International (non US/Canada) applicants for research/observer positions outside the match: Yes

#### Profile:

*University based program fully integrated into Orthopaedic Residency providing advanced training in adult foot and ankle. Major emphasis on total ankle arthroplasty, complex hindfoot reconstruction, ankle arthroscopy, as well as routine forefoot problems. Advanced pedorthics, orthotics, and prosthetics.*

*Fellows have ample exposure to clinical problems in the clinic and operating room, and for research.*

*Weekly foot and ankle didactic and case conferences, orthopaedic teaching conferences, monthly journal club, computer stations, electronic medical records. Eligibility for Alabama state licensure, completion of ACGME accredited Orthopaedic Residency required. Fellow must complete clinical or basic science study publishable manuscript during fellowship.*

#### Curriculum Statement:

*The Foot and Ankle Fellow(s) currently function at the level of Instructor in the Division of Orthopaedic Surgery at UAB. They will be credentialed to perform surgical procedures and patient evaluation commensurate with their training and degree. The fellow(s) will be directly supervised by senior attending(s) in the Section of Orthopaedic Foot and Ankle while performing complex orthopaedic foot and*

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ankle procedures. Training emphasis will be on surgery including arthroscopic procedures, nerve problems, tarsal tunnel syndrome, bunions, hammertoes, arthrodosis of the great toe and midfoot joint, complex hindfoot reconstructions for posterior-tibial tendon dysfunction, rheumatoid arthritis and other degenerative conditions, and surgery of the ligaments and tendons about the ankle. At the Alabama Foot and Ankle Fellowship at UAB we believe hands on experience is essential and teaching on a daily basis in clinic and in the operating suites. There is direct access to patients and Fellows participate in all aspects of this care including the diagnosis, management planning and care of the patient. Also the fellow should have full access in the operating room and the opportunity for independent surgical experiences. Close access to attending is a strong advantage of the program.

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The teaching staff of the Alabama Foot and Ankle Fellowship at UAB involved in providing the education experience includes Dr. John S. Kirchner, Dr. Nilesh Chaudhari, Dr. Michael Johnson, Dr. William Krauss, and Dr. Ashish B. Shah, Director. The teaching staff will directly supervise fellows during OR and decide on level of graduated responsibility for the fellow. They will supervise weekly case review and other didactic teaching. Formal evaluation is carried out by quarterly written evaluation (by three attendings). Biannual review is conducted with the fellowship director. An informal evaluation is performed on a daily basis in the OR and at weekly case review conference.

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### **Brown University Foot and Ankle Fellowship**

Dept of Ortho Surg, The Warren Alpert Schl of Med

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East Providence, RI 02914

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Program Director: Brad D. Blankenhorn, MD

Department Chair: Edward Akelman, MD

Other Faculty: Raymond Hsu, MD

Website: [http://biomed.brown.edu/orthopaedics/fellowships/fellowships\\_footankle.php](http://biomed.brown.edu/orthopaedics/fellowships/fellowships_footankle.php)

Start date: August 1, 2019; End date: July 31, 2020

Stipend: Commensurate with PGY-6 level

Accepts International (non US/Canada) applicants as full fellows: No

Accepts International (non US/Canada) applicants for research/observer positions outside the match: No

#### Profile:

At Brown, the fellow will encounter a large breadth and volume of foot and ankle pathology, including traumatic and elective cases. Learning is conducted in a one-on-one fashion, but the fellow will also have a sufficient amount of autonomy and self-directed learning.

#### Curriculum Statement:

The Brown fellowship programs strives to give the fellow a complete foot and ankle education through both clinical activities and didactic and interactive conferences. Rhode Island Hospital is the only level I trauma center in the state of Rhode Island which allows for access to a wide range of traumatic and post-traumatic conditions. This combined with the private practice at University Orthopedics, Inc allows for a breadth of additional elective procedures. Weekly indications conferences combined with self-directed and monitored case learning will enable discussion of the AOFAS recommended curriculum.

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### **Las Vegas Orthopaedic Foot & Ankle Fellowship**

2800 E Desert Inn Road Suite 100

Las Vegas, NV 89121

Hospital / Facility: Desert Orthopaedic Center

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Program Director: Troy S. Watson, MD

Program Co-director: Abdi Raissi, MD

Website: [www.doclv.com](http://www.doclv.com)

Start date: August 1, 2019; End date: July 31, 2020

Stipend: \$65,000

Accepts International (non US/Canada) applicants as full fellows: No (unless full Nevada medical license)

Accepts International (non US/Canada) applicants for research/observer positions outside the match: No

### Profile:

*The Las Vegas Orthopaedic Foot and Ankle Fellowship is a program that provides an exceptional opportunity to learn a broad spectrum of foot and ankle reconstruction. Fellows will be given the tools to run a successful private practice or join an established academic practice. A structured didactic program integrated with a very hands-on approach to patient care provides fellows with a well-balanced and comprehensive learning experience. Emphasis is in adult complex forefoot, hindfoot, and ankle reconstruction, sports related pathology and arthroscopy.*

### Curriculum Statement:

*The Las Vegas Orthopaedic Foot and Ankle Fellowship will utilize the curriculum of recommended foot and ankle procedures and topics developed by the Fellowship Curriculum Task Force to provide a well-rounded experience during this one-year fellowship. Each fellow will log their surgical cases during the academic year and provide the fellowship director quarterly updates on the cases they have participated in during that time period. This list will be used and cross-referenced with the list of recommended procedures to ensure fellows receive adequate surgical exposure. There will be monthly didactic sessions where fellows meet with the attending staff and review topics on the recommended list as well as topics of interest that may not be on the recommended list. There will be assigned reading to prepare for these monthly sessions. Fellows will be expected to give a brief synopsis on the topic to be discussed as well as present a few cases to stimulate discussion.*

*Each fellow will be expected to read Foot & Ankle International each month. We will hold a quarterly journal club to discuss interesting articles. Additionally, articles from the Journal of Bone and Joint Surgery may be selected for journal club.*

*Fellows will be expected to complete a research project during their year that is publishable in a peer reviewed foot and ankle journal. Additionally, fellows are encouraged to write a review or technique article for publication.*

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### **New England Baptist Hospital Foot and Ankle Fellow**

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Boston, MA 02120

Hospital / Facility: New England Baptist Hospital

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Program Director: Mark P. Slovenkai, MD

Website: [www.nebh.org/for-health-professionals/fellowships](http://www.nebh.org/for-health-professionals/fellowships)

Start date: August 1, 2019; End date: July 31, 2020

Stipend: \$72,000

Accepts International (non US/Canada) applicants as full fellows: No

Accepts International (non US/Canada) applicants for research/observer positions outside the match: No

### Profile:

*The goal of this fellowship is to offer extensive experience in the evaluation and management of a variety of foot and ankle disorders. The Fellow will be exposed to a wide range of procedures including arthroscopy, total ankle replacement and complex forefoot and hindfoot reconstructions. The Fellow will gain expertise in many facets of foot and ankle surgery with an active operating room experience and an*

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*appropriate amount of autonomous clinical decision making. The Fellow may also gain further training in the care of local professional sports teams. The Fellow will be active in resident teaching, office clinics, and weekly conferences, and is expected to prepare at least one research project (clinical or basic research) suitable for publication in a peer-reviewed journal. Attending staff instruct the Fellow by presenting a bimonthly indications conference, monthly journal club and quarterly M&M conference.*

### Curriculum Statement:

*The fellowship will utilize the Curriculum as a comprehensive template to ensure that the fellow will have exposure and gain expertise across multiple clinical sites (office and surgery) and through scheduled didactic lectures.*

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### **Orthopedic Foot and Ankle Center Orthopedic Fellowship**

300 Polaris Parkway Suite 2000

Westerville, OH 43082

Hospital / Facility: Orthopedic Foot and Ankle Center

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Program Director: Terrence M. Philbin, DO

Website: <http://www.orthofootankle.com>

Start date: August 1, 2019; End date: July 31, 2020

Stipend: \$58,000

Accepts International (non US/Canada) applicants as full fellows: No

Accepts International (non US/Canada) applicants for research/observer positions outside the match: No

### Profile:

*A high-volume private practice program led by Terrence Philbin, DO, Gregory Berlet, MD, and Patrick Bull, DO. Fellows will encounter a broad range of foot and ankle pathology, with a focus on sports, ankle replacement, arthroscopy, and complex hindfoot and forefoot reconstruction. Our fellowship consistently emphasizes the development of the fellow's surgical skills with an appropriate level of autonomy, with didactic teaching and intensive hands-on clinical and surgical experience. Individually, each fellow will have the opportunity to participate in approximately 700 surgical cases comprising over 2,000 procedures. This fellowship offers an in-depth experience within the business aspects of surgery including office management, product development, and operational efficiency. A unique 1-year experience designed to prepare the highly skilled orthopedic surgeon for a changing healthcare environment.*

### Curriculum Statement:

*The one-year curriculum for the Orthopedic Foot and Ankle Center Orthopedic Fellowship reviews all the major foot and ankle topics throughout the academic year for the fellows.*

*Fellows will follow a comprehensive reading program structured into monthly focus topics. The fellowship faculty will give lectures on these topics as well.*

*Fellows are expected to maintain case logs throughout the fellowship year to confirm they are on target with their surgical procedure goals.*

*We hold a weekly x-ray conference in which all cases for the upcoming week are reviewed. This forum allows the fellows to prepare for each case and it is an excellent learning opportunity as all in attendance can ask questions and provide constructive recommendations.*

*We hold a monthly journal club to discuss topics at the fellow's request, where they present 3-4 current journal articles for discussion.*

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### **Steadman Clinic Foot and Ankle Fellowship**

Steadman Philippon Research Institute

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Vail, CO 81657

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Program Director: Thomas O. Clanton, MD

Other Faculty: C. Thomas Haytmanek, MD

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Start date: August 1, 2019; End date: July 31, 2020

Stipend: \$65,000

Accepts International (non US/Canada) applicants as full fellows: No

Accepts International (non US/Canada) applicants for research/observer positions outside the match: No

### Profile:

*TSC Foot and Ankle Fellowship in Vail, CO, was started in 2010 when Dr. Clanton moved from Houston to Vail. He has been involved in fellowship training for foot and ankle since 1984. Dr. Haytmanek joined Dr. Clanton in 2017 after residency training at Duke, fellowship with Dr. Clanton, and private practice for several years with Mike Coughlin and Chris Hirose in Boise, ID. The program benefits from the unique clinical practice of The Steadman Clinic and the extraordinary research environment of the Steadman Philippon Research Institute. The program focuses on sports medicine, trauma, and adult reconstruction. A surgical skills lab is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week throughout the year. Biomechanics, biomotion, regenerative medicine and outcomes research are all available opportunities within the Research Institute.*

### Curriculum Statement:

*The Program adheres to the guidelines of the AOFAS for foot and ankle curriculum procedures. Rotations with two fellowship-trained foot and ankle orthopaedic surgeons include a weekly schedule with clinic 2-3 days a week and surgery 2-3 days a week. Time is available for research each week.*

*A significant sports medicine experience is available that encompasses anterior and posterior ankle and subtalar arthroscopy along with arthroscopy of smaller joints. Other common injuries include turf toe, Lisfranc injuries, various stress fractures, repairs and reconstructions of ankle instability, and both operative and non-operative treatment of Achilles tendon ruptures.*

*Adult reconstructive procedures include forefoot procedures utilizing several different methods for treating bunions and hallux rigidus (including use of the Cartiva implant), claw toes and other angular toe deformities. Midfoot and hindfoot procedures include various fusions and tendon transfers to treat arthritic conditions and deformities. Ankle procedures include arthroscopic treatment of osteochondral injuries, impingement, and arthritis (debridement, resurfacing, and fusions) plus total ankle arthroplasty utilizing several different implants.*

*Trauma cases include all varieties of foot and ankle trauma and utilize arthroscopic assistance, external fixation, minimally invasive methods, and open techniques. The majority of trauma is single extremity trauma with closed fractures as we cover a level 3 trauma center. ER call and group call is shared with the sports medicine and joint fellows and averages 4-5 days per month.*

*The clinical environment provides a wide range of experience, but most cases involve sports medicine, trauma, and adult reconstruction. There are some pediatric cases such as adolescent triplane fractures, symptomatic accessory naviculars, tarsal coalitions, osteochondritis dessicans, and juvenile hallux valgus. Diabetic management is taught, but the volume of patients is limited, and there is little case volume involving tumors. At the end of the fellowship year, the graduate should have gained the expertise necessary to be an accomplished orthopaedic surgeon specializing in foot and ankle surgery.*