

EMU ORTHOTICS AND PROSTHETICS

Virtual Tours Coming Soon

We will soon be updating our list of virtual visit days. These are great opportunities for prospective students across the nation to check out our program, and discover what makes EMU so special!

EMU O&P Apparel

Another round of EMU alumni apparel will soon be available for purchase. If interested, please contact Neely Heckman at nheckman@emich.edu.

Safety Protocols

As the pandemic continues, we are once again taking the safety of our students seriously. Currently we have reduced class size for in-person labs, and are hosting virtual lectures and office hours. In addition to this, the students have had the opportunity to receive the coronavirus vaccine, which will allow them to work safely with patient models. As always, student safety is our highest priority.



Congrats, Grads!

Congratulations to our 2021 graduating class of the Eastern Michigan University Orthotics and Prosthetics Program. We are so impressed by your dedication, acumen, and willingness to adapt during these rapidly changing times. We are excited to follow your careers as residents and clinicians, and hope you'll check in with the program often!

New OOPS Officers

The Organization of Orthotics and Prosthetics Students at EMU organizes student outreach opportunities and events. Welcome to the new officers who were elected for the class of 2022.

President - Hollie Mincone

Vice President - Kaleigh Neely

Secretary - Rachel Summers

Treasurer - Dean Karkut

Historian/Webmaster - Jace Briggs



Hollie Mincone **OOPS President**

Hollie graduated from Geneva College with a BS in biomedical engineering and a BA in missions. She was part of a basketball trick performance team called PIPS and she performed at the Final Four game in 2010 at Lucas Oil Stadium in Indianapolis, IN!



Kaleigh Neely **OOPS Vice President**

Kaleigh completed her undergraduate degree in bioengineering at Clemson University. She has lived in eight different states, twelve different cities, and France!

Hollie Mincone

What are your goals for next year as president of OOPS?

My goals are to increase involvement for all students in areas related to O&P. I want to get us connected to, and contributing to the field as our profession in addition to learning about it. I am also looking forward to getting connected as a cohort and with the incoming class!

What are you most excited for in the coming school year?

I am most excited for the amount of labs we have! Lab time is my favorite, despite COVID, we get to be in-person, but it is also the most hands-on time we have. Lab time is where we take our lectures and apply them exactly to what we will be doing one day!

Where are you planning on doing clinical rotations this summer?

My clinical rotations this summer are all over the place! I have a rotation at Shriner's in Tampa, Florida, one at Ropp here in Michigan, and one at Claiborne in Charlotte, North Carolina.

Kaleigh Neely

What are your goals for next year as vice president of OOPS?

With OOPS next year, I am really hoping we will be able to create fun events and opportunities outside of the classroom to build our skills, bring our classes together, and give back, getting involved with the Ypsilanti and O&P communities.

What are you most excited for in the coming school year?

I'm looking forward to a potentially more "normal" school year with less COVID restrictions and more opportunity to get to know both the incoming cohort and the rest of our cohort. I'm also excited for more classes with patient models!

Where are you planning on doing clinical rotations this summer?

My clinical rotation locations are still a work in progress, but I'm hoping to be in Wilmington, North Carolina, West Virginia, and Denver, Colorado.

Interprofessional Education

The second year students participated in two interprofessional educational events. These were great opportunities to learn about other allied health professions, how the different professions can work together, and inform them about O&P.

Sport Specific Face Masks

Athletic Trainers

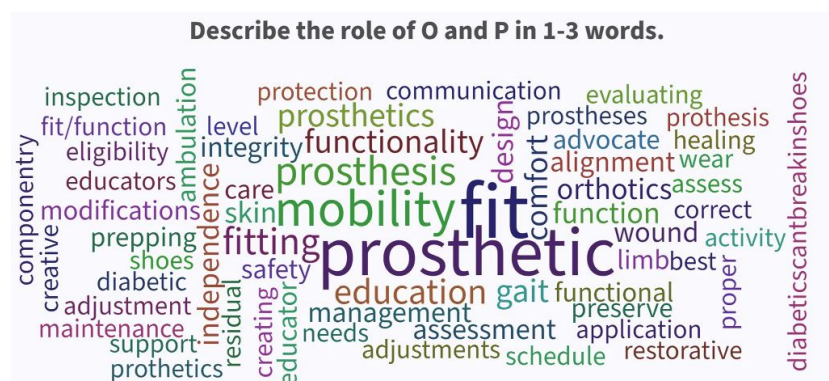
Protective face masks are critical for athletes who experience a face injury and still need to be able to compete. Athletic training students casted O&P students' faces. The O&P students then fabricated and fit the masks. The IPE event was led by Jeremy Murray, CO, who is an expert in sports-specific facial orthoses.



Prosthetic Case Study

Physician Assistants, Occupational Therapists, Physical Therapists

PA, OT, PT, and O&P students met over Zoom to discuss their roles in helping a patient who recently had a transtibial amputation. In small breakout rooms each discipline explained their primary concerns and their role in the healthcare team as it related to the patient example. The PA, OT, and PT students created the word cloud to the right describing their view of the O&P profession.



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