

## Bako Pathology Endowed Scholarship

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**PROGRAM** Doctor of Podiatric Medicine

**CLASS YEAR** 26

**HOMETOWN** Pella, Iowa

### Why did you choose your field of study?

I chose the field of Podiatric Medicine for a multitude of reasons with the primary reason being the impact that podiatrists can have on a vast variety of patients from diabetics with life threatening ulcers to a high level athlete. I also chose this field because of the ability to have a clinic schedule, perform surgery, and have a good work life balance.

### Describe your favorite or most memorable DMU experience (current students) OR Why you chose DMU (incoming students)?

I chose DMU because of the high academic standards and reputation that the program has. DMU has the highest board passing scores and residency placements of any school and that alone speaks for itself. I also chose DMU because all of my mentors in this field are DMU alumni.

### Why are you grateful for this support and what it has/will allow you to accomplish?

I am very much grateful for this support to lessen the financial burden of being in medical school. This donation allows me to focus more on academic workload and becoming the best physician that I can be. Thank you very much!