PRE-PROFESSIONAL STUDIES

# PRE-CHIROPRACTIC

Chiropractors help individuals achieve a comfortable state of functioning. They assess conditions related to the spine, nervous system, and joints, and treat them primarily by mechanical adjustment. Some chiropractors specialize in areas related to athletic injuries, diseases, children's disorders, or mental and nervous disorders.

The University of Winnipeg is an excellent place to fulfill the entrance requirements of the Canadian Memorial Chiropractic College (CMCC) or other chiropractic schools.

### YOUR EDUCATION

### Years 1-3: PRE-Chiropractic at The University of Winnipeg

Each chiropractic school has its own entrance requirements. To meet the entrance requirements of the Canadian Memorial Chiropractic College, you will complete 90 hours of undergraduate study with a cumulative GPA of 2.50 on CMCC's 4.0 grade point scale. While there are recommended courses, there is no specific degree or program that is required for entry to the chiropractic program. You must consult with the school where you plan to complete your studies to ensure you choose an appropriate set of courses, and that you will meet the entrance requirements for your Chiropractic program of choice

### **UW-CMCC ACADEMIC PATHWAY**

Students pursuing the 4-Year BSc in Kinesiology – Exercise Science are eligible to apply to the UW-CMCC Academic Pathway, potentially qualifying them to apply for Advanced Entry Admission to the Doctor of Chiropractic (DC) program at Canadian Memorial Chiropractic College. Students would have the opportunity to apply to CMCC in their second year of study, and if accepted, begin at CMCC after completing their third year. Upon completing the 4-year Doctor of Chiropractic program at CMCC, students would be eligible to transfer one year worth of credit from the DC program to the University of Winnipeg, which would be used to complete the fourth year of the 4-Year BSc in Kinesiology – Exercise Science. Students would then have completed two degrees in a period of 7 years, which would normally take 8 years.

NOTE: <u>Students considering this option must consult the Department of Kinesiology and Applied Health on the application process.</u>

# Years 4-7: Professional Studies: Chiropractic

In your final year of pre-professional studies at The University of Winnipeg, you will apply for admission to a chiropractic school. Admission to chiropractic is based on academic achievement, an essay, and a personal interview. At least four more years of study are required to complete a doctor of chiropractic degree.

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### PRE-PROFESSIONAL RECOMMENDED COURSES

Most students who study Pre-Chiropractic at The University of Winnipeg will apply for admission to the Canadian Memorial Chiropractic College (CMCC), but you may choose to apply elsewhere. **Students must complete 90 credit hours of study** to qualify for admission to CMCC. CMCC does not have specific course prerequisites, however, they recommend that students have completed the following.

- 6 credit hours of biology with a laboratory component
- 6 credit hours of organic chemistry with a laboratory component\*
- 3 credit hours of introductory psychology
- 9 credit hours (minimum) in the humanities and/or social sciences
- a sufficient number of courses to make up three full years (90 credit hours) of study

\*You need to take CHEM-1111(3) Introduction to the Chemical Properties of Matter and CHEM-1112(3) Basic Principles of Chemical Reactivity in first year, as they are prerequisites for CHEM-2202(3).

Students may wish to review the Course Map - UW-CMCC Academic Pathway which provides a list of recommended courses in each academic year

https://www.uwinnipeg.ca/dept-kinesiology/CMCC%20Chiropractic%20Academic%20Pathway%20.html While the minimum grade requirement for applicants to the Canadian Memorial Chiropractic College is a C+average (GPA of 2.50 on a 4.00 scale), you should have a higher average to be competitive.

There are two institutions offering chiropractic programs in Canada: the Canadian Memorial Chiropractic College in Toronto, and l'Université du Québec à Trois-Rivières. You may also consider studying in the United States or elsewhere. For more information on chiropractic in Canada, go to the Canadian Chiropractic Association website at http://www.ccachiro.org or the Manitoba Chiropractors' Association website at http://www.mbchiro.org.

#### REQUIRED HIGH SCHOOL COURSES

You must meet The University of Winnipeg's general admission requirements. In addition, you must have **Chemistry 40S** and either **Pre-Calculus Mathematics 40S** or **Applied Mathematics 40S** in order to take some of the recommended courses for admission to chiropractic.

What if I don't have these high school courses? You can still pursue your pre-professional studies, but you might not be able to enroll in certain courses until you obtain the pre-requisites. There are two ways you can do this here: take "Foundation" courses at UWinnipeg that are equivalent to high school-level math and science (MATH-0041 & MATH-0042; CHEM-0100) or complete high school courses at The Collegiate.

## **HOW TO APPLY**

For details on application requirements and deadlines, and to apply online to UWinnipeg, please visit: <a href="https://www.uwinnipeg.ca/apply">uwinnipeg.ca/apply</a>.

Note: Admission to The University of Winnipeg does not guarantee admission to Chiropractic.

(In any case where the University's Academic Calendar and this fact sheet differ, the current Calendar takes precedence.)

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