



CMCC

Canadian Memorial Chiropractic College

Chiropractic Education and Qualifications

Following the completion of a minimum of three years of undergraduate university level study, chiropractic students spend four years at an accredited chiropractic college, receiving more than **4,200 hours** of specialized training.

The undergraduate evidence-based chiropractic curriculum at the Canadian Memorial Chiropractic College (CMCC) in Toronto includes:

- 1,350+ hours of clinical internships
- 1,250 course hours training in musculoskeletal (MSK) patient care, including assessment, diagnosis, pain management, restoration of function, education and preventative care
- 450+ course hours focused on spinal manipulative therapy, including biomechanics and contraindications
- 360 hours of education in radiology
- Courses related to diagnostic imaging, laboratory diagnosis, clinical nutrition, clinical psychology, neurodiagnosis, orthopaedics, toxicopharmacology, and rehabilitation

While other healthcare practitioners can complete advanced training in areas of diagnosis, imaging, and spinal manipulative therapy, these are core competencies for chiropractors.

• **Examination of candidates for licensure:** Upon graduation from an accredited program, candidates must pass written and practical exams offered by the Canadian Chiropractic Examining Board (CCEB).

• **Application to provincial or territorial regulatory board:** After passing the CCEB examinations, candidates apply for licensure in a Canadian province or territory. Each regulatory jurisdiction has unique requirements for registration.

Training Specific to Laboratory Tests and Diagnostic Imaging

Chiropractors in Ontario are educated on ordering laboratory and imaging tests and have their competencies to do so evaluated in board certification examinations, which must be successfully passed in order to practice.

Diagnosis of dysfunctions and disorders that fall within the chiropractic scope of practice using specific imaging and laboratory tests is a mandatory component of chiropractic educational

programs delivered by CMCC, so chiropractors are well-educated for the purposes of ordering and interpreting laboratory tests and advanced imaging tests.

Chiropractors desiring additional training in clinical laboratory diagnosis or advanced imaging can obtain such from the continuing education division at CMCC or other accredited chiropractic educational institutions.

About CMCC

CMCC is an evidence-based leader in chiropractic education and research with collaborative relationships with universities, hospitals and other chiropractic institutions worldwide. The campus features modern teaching and laboratory space, including new simulation and biomechanics laboratories, and is extended across Toronto through its network of community based clinics that serve diverse patient populations. CMCC offers a four-year second entry undergraduate professional program leading to a Doctor of Chiropractic Degree. This degree program is offered under the written consent of Ontario's Minister of Training, Colleges and Universities (now the Ministry of Advanced Education and Skills Development).