The Doctor of Chiropractic (D.C.) is a health professional who addresses the health care needs of the general public. The primary focus of chiropractic is the relationship of the neurological and structural systems of the body to health. The application of science in chiropractic concerns itself with the relationship between structures, primarily the spine, and functions, primarily coordinated by the nervous system of the human body, as that relationship may affect the restoration and preservation of health. Chiropractic focuses on the inherent ability of the body to heal without the use of drugs or surgery. The responsibilities of a doctor of chiropractic include wellness promotion, health assessment, diagnosis and the chiropractic management of the patient’s health care needs. When indicated, a doctor of chiropractic consults with, co-manages, or refers to other health care providers.

Doctors of Chiropractic are licensed by the state in which they plan to practice. Chiropractic education programs are accredited by the Commission on Accreditation of the Council on Chiropractic Education. UW-Eau Claire students apply primarily to (a) LIFE University in Atlanta, GA, (b) Logan College of Chiropractic in Chesterfield, MO, (c) Northwestern Health Sciences University in Bloomington, MN (d) Palmer College of Chiropractic in Davenport, IA (e) National University of Health Sciences in Lombard, IL. For a complete listing of accredited chiropractic programs in the United States go to [www.cce-usa.org](http://www.cce-usa.org).

Most chiropractic colleges require 24 credits of life or physical sciences (12 of those credits must include labs), and all chiropractic colleges accept the following courses that UWEC Kinesiology majors typically take as part of those 24 credits:

CHEM 103, CHEM 104, BIOL 214, BIOL 314, PHYS 100 or 211*, BIOL 196, KINS 294, KINS 304, KINS 308, KINS 426

In addition to these courses, each school may have additional suggested courses for students to take. Please see the individual information for each school below.

**LIFE UNIVERSITY**
Office of Enrollment
1269 Barclay Circle SE
Marietta, GA 30060
Phone: 800-543-3202
Email: admissions@life.edu
Web: [www.LIFE.edu](http://www.LIFE.edu)

*PHYS 100 is fine. PHYS 211 is not needed.

**LOGAN UNIVERSITY**
1851 Schoettler Road
Chesterfield, MO 63017
Phone: 800-533-9210
Email: admissions@logan.edu
Web: [www.logan.edu](http://www.logan.edu)

Additional suggested courses to take at the undergraduate level: CHEM 325

*PHYS 211 is recommended

**NORTHWESTERN HEALTH SCIENCES UNIVERSITY**
2501 West 84th Street
Bloomington, MN 55431
The University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire offers all of the courses required in the pre-chiropractic programs of accredited chiropractic schools. We can provide a strong base for a student applying to chiropractic school and other related pre-professional programs.

Pre-chiropractic is a program of study, not an academic major. No specific academic major is required in the pre-chiropractic program. Most students earn a degree in Biology (with a minor in Pre-Professional Health Science or Chemistry) or Kinesiology (with an emphasis in Human Performance). However, students are not limited to these majors and minors. They may major in any discipline as long as they meet the requirement for admission into the chiropractic school of their choice. Most schools prefer that students receive a bachelor's degree before attending an accredited chiropractic college.

Pre-chiropractic students must earn a C or better in the required courses and have a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.0 and a science GPA of 3.0. See the accompanying list of the specific courses required or highly recommended in the pre-chiropractic program. If you have any other questions about our program or about courses, please feel free to contact a pre-chiropractic adviser at UWEC or contact the chiropractic school that you are planning to attend.

Elective Recommendations

**Biology** – BIOL 300 (Genetics), BIOL 301 (Comparative Vertebrate Anatomy), BIOL 302 (Cell Biology), BIOL 380 (Endocrinology), BIOL 402 (Current Topics in Immunology and Virology), BIOL 470 (Neurobiology), BIOL 486 (Comparative Vertebrate Histology)

**Kinesiology** (if not majoring in Kinesiology) – KINS 294 (Anatomical Kinesiology), KINS 304 (Biomechanics), KINS 308 (Exercise Physiology)

**Other** – ECON 104 (Principles of Macroeconomics), ECON 280 (Health Economics), ENPH 210 (Introduction to Environmental Health), ACCT 201 (Small Business Operations and Marketing), CJ202 (Public Speaking), ENGL 205 (Technical Writing), NRSG 211 (Wellness: Food for Fitness), NRSG 212 (Navigating Health Care), NRSG 213 (Body, Mind, Spirit Wellness), NRSG 220 (Medical Terminology), PHIL 306 (Ethics of Health Care)

Non-Academic Considerations: Applicants must provide evidence of ability to communicate, relating with others, involvement in extracurricular activities, character, integrity, emotional stability, and motivation for chiropractic. It is also helpful to volunteer or work with a chiropractor. Be sure to keep good records of your observations and work experience, as they are often needed on one’s application for chiropractic school.

For more information, you may contact:
UWEC pre-chiropractic advisers in Human Performance:

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