The future of health care includes you

Doctor of Chiropractic Admissions
CMCC facts:
• Over 750 students
• Over 100 full and part time faculty members
• Over 6,900 alumni practicing in 37 countries

Chiropractic is among a group of Canadian health care professions that is well positioned to not only diagnose and treat illness, but also to engage people in communities around the world in active preventative health care. Since Mr. Douglas spoke those words, chiropractors across Canada and the world have become active partners and collaborators in providing integrated and comprehensive health care. The future is bright for chiropractic and for health care. We hope that future includes you.

“It’s a great time to be a chiropractor”

The purpose of health care is to keep people well rather than just patching them up when they get sick.”

Tommy Douglas, patron of universal health care in Canada
Looking forward to 2022, the chiropractic profession is projected for stable and steady growth across Canada, with a balance of supply and demand for competent, confident and caring chiropractors. There are numerous opportunities for chiropractors to utilize their professional health care education in today’s society. While most chiropractors are in private practice, increasing numbers of interdisciplinary health care practices have led to new opportunities for chiropractors to collaborate in providing integrated care in partnership with other regulated health care professionals. There are also a small number of chiropractors providing patient care in research hospitals and other institutions. Chiropractors hold leadership positions in organizations and government agencies that shape the future of health care in Canada. CMCC is proud to count over 6,900 alumni serving in these diverse roles in 37 countries worldwide.

Chiropractic is a hands-on health care profession and one that specializes in patient-centred spinal and musculoskeletal care. It is a science, an art, and a philosophy that is part of the future of health care. If you see yourself in that same future, CMCC is the place to be.
Are you?
• passionate about promoting health and wellness
• looking for a primary contact health care profession whose focus is on the patient through treatment and education
• someone who enjoys solving challenging problems, collaborating with a team and serving diverse populations
• someone who has great people skills and the drive to be a leader in your community

Then chiropractic is for you.

Chiropractors are musculoskeletal experts, managing disorders related to the spine, nervous system and joints. The health of their patients is enhanced through the use of the chiropractic adjustment and related therapies. As primary contact health care professionals, chiropractors have a comprehensive and complex understanding of the human body, enabling them to diagnose and treat, and when necessary co-manage and refer patients to other health care professionals.
It’s about community

I was drawn to chiropractic through my experience as a patient. I was treated by a chiropractor who loved his job and loved serving people and making them well. That experience brought me to CMCC where I also learned that context and community play a big part in who a person is and how you can help them get well. Community outreach is an important part of chiropractic practice and CMCC provides so many opportunities to get involved.

Brent Milljour, Class of ‘15

It’s about collaboration

I’m looking forward to creating an interprofessional practice and developing relationships with family doctors and other specialists to provide fluidity of care for my patients. Interprofessional patient-centred care was my vision for chiropractic when I came to CMCC and my passion and confidence has grown stronger through my internship, where I found myself caring for patients in ways I never expected.

Sarah Warren, Class of ‘15
It’s about patient care

Before I came to CMCC, I volunteered at a student-run wellness centre to help me decide what type of health care to pursue. Working there opened my eyes to the many variables that impact a person’s health. For me, chiropractic was the right choice and through my practice I have the opportunity to develop deep relationships with people and impact their health on many levels.

Jackie Sam, Class of ’15

It’s about lifelong learning

Chiropractic is not simply a career choice. It’s a lifestyle choice because the learning always continues. In practice, chiropractors have the opportunity to be leaders in health care and in their community. My leadership training began with my involvement in Students’ Council at CMCC. Working with the students has enriched my experience and allowed me to collaborate with and learn from my future colleagues.

Alfredo Petrone, Class of ’15
Why choose CMCC?

An international leader in chiropractic education since 1945, the Canadian Memorial Chiropractic College (CMCC) is the leader in chiropractic education and research in Canada. The vision for CMCC was to establish the highest standard of chiropractic education and become a catalyst for a unified profession nationwide. Seventy years later, we celebrate a tradition of excellence in chiropractic education, research and patient care. With expert faculty, a rigorous curriculum, extraordinary facilities, and outstanding clinical experiences for students, our commitment to building a strong future for the profession ensures that graduates of CMCC are among the best educated and most skilled chiropractors in the world.

We strive to prepare the next generation of chiropractors to be clinically competent, compassionate, successful, and ethical professionals in the health care community.
The DC Program

Our four year Doctor of Chiropractic Program provides a comprehensive, integrative curriculum, aligned with CMCC’s Model of Care. The curriculum ensures that beginning in Year 1, and increasingly throughout the program, students learn to integrate and apply theoretical knowledge to clinical practice, patient care and management.

The program spans four years of comprehensive and rigorous education leading to a Doctor of Chiropractic degree. Taught in a series of four modules per academic year, courses are layered over single or multiple modules to facilitate the essential integration of knowledge, skill and practice.

CMCC’s Model of Care

Chiropractic is a primary contact health care profession with expert knowledge in spinal and musculoskeletal health, emphasizing differential diagnosis, patient-centred care and research.
Evidence-informed curriculum

The DC curriculum is grounded in evidence-informed practice and care – meaning that students learn to critically examine emerging evidence found in research and integrate that knowledge into an ability to make clinical decisions relating to diagnosis and treatment. Most significantly, patient preferences and expectations for care underpin the ways that chiropractors balance knowledge from research and clinical practice into their individualized approach to helping their patients achieve optimal health.

- **In Years I and II**, students build their foundation of knowledge in basic sciences and pathology for clinical skills and decision making while also getting hands-on experience through courses in chiropractic skills, diagnosis and symptomatology, orthopaedics and diagnostic imaging.

- **Year III** emphasizes knowledge integration through the use of case-based clinical material to prepare students for internship in the CMCC clinics.

- **Year IV** is a 12 month clinical internship in two of CMCC’s many diverse clinical settings where interns provide direct care and education to patients under the supervision of a licensed chiropractor. Year IV students also engage in capstone learning experiences including laboratory clerkships and advanced diagnostic imaging, public health and business management.

- **Partnerships** with local, national and global health care organizations provide clinical outreach opportunities for Year IV interns. Some students may also qualify for a clinical externship.
Our faculty are leaders and experts in their fields and are widely known for their contribution to the enhancement of patient care, service to professional organizations and regulatory boards, and the advancement of chiropractic knowledge and research. The faculty to student ratio is 1:9 and many faculty hold PhDs in speciality fields and disciplines.

Our clinics provide rewarding learning experiences within diverse community-based settings throughout the Greater Toronto Area. With clinics in hospitals, health centres serving diverse populations, and community-based chiropractic practices, the clinical experience is invigorating, challenging and unmatched by any other chiropractic program worldwide.

CMCC research is recognised for its contribution to the understanding of human anatomy, biomechanics, the neuromusculoskeletal response to spinal manipulative therapy, therapeutic exercises, and other chiropractic interventions. Students benefit from contact with researchers, from the integration of new knowledge into course content and from opportunities to actively engage in research themselves.

The internationally recognised Simulation Laboratory helps students to develop clinical skills such as physical examinations and emergency response management, while also refining technical skills with CMCC’s innovative Force Sensing Table Technology™.
Consider the opportunity to be part of that future.

Graduate success

The quality of the CMCC Doctor of Chiropractic program is best reflected through our graduates.

• 90% of students graduate from the program within four years.
• 97% of students pass the Canadian Chiropractic Examining Board licensing examinations.
• Over 95% of graduates are actively engaged in clinical practice within six months of graduation.

CMCC students are the future of chiropractic and part of the bright future of health care in Canada and worldwide.
Applying to CMCC

As enrolment is limited, CMCC will select the most qualified applicants for admission based on an academic assessment, an interview, and all other information submitted with the application. Only qualified applicants will be granted an admission interview.

If you would like to learn more about your future as a chiropractor, and our leading Doctor of Chiropractic program, please visit www.cmcc.ca/admissions or contact us at admissions@cmcc.ca.

We look forward to connecting with you either on our campus or during one of our visits to colleges and universities across Canada.

Accreditation and status

CMCC is accredited by the Council on Chiropractic Education Canada (CCEC) of the Canadian Federation of Chiropractic Regulatory and Educational Accrediting Boards (CFCREAB), CFCREAB is a member of the Council on Chiropractic Education International (CCEI), whose members also include: The Council on Chiropractic Education US, the Council on Chiropractic Education Australia Inc., and The European Council on Chiropractic Education.

CCEI’s Model Standards, which comprise the essential accreditation elements necessary for chiropractic accrediting agencies around the world, ensure that each program they accredit provides quality education so that their graduates can serve as competent and qualified chiropractors. CMCC’s undergraduate program meets these standards and is recognized by the regulatory bodies in all provinces in Canada, in most US states, and in many other international jurisdictions.

In 2005 CMCC received consent to offer the Doctor of Chiropractic degree under the Ontario government’s Postsecondary Education Choice and Excellence Act, 2000. The first degree was awarded in 2008. Our program is offered under the written consent of the Minister of Training, Colleges and Universities for the period March 24, 2011 to March 24, 2021. Prospective students are responsible for satisfying themselves that the program and the degree will be appropriate for their needs (e.g., acceptable to potential employers, professional licensing bodies or other educational institutions).