



PROSPECTUS

Aims

And

Objectives

Discover a career that exceeds your expectations

Course Information

The under-graduate course is a four year modular course that leads to a diploma in Chiropractic (DC) with the designated title of Dr of Chiropractic. Graduates are then required to affiliate themselves to the Association of Chiropractors. We are also offering a post-graduate one year modular course.

Aims and Objectives

The aims and objectives of this course are ;

- to produce highly skilled Chiropractors with a sound knowledge of the spine, spinal cord and the autonomic nervous system and pain pathways, and to have the skills to correct bone and joint misalignments specifically subluxations.
- to understand the importance of “innate” intelligence and respect the body’s ability to heal itself.
- to understand and believe that the power that made the body can heal the body.

The curriculum is unique to any other course in that it is based on linear teaching, e.g. when studying the upper cervical spine you will learn the anatomy and physiology of nerve distribution from that vertebral level, the organs, muscles and tissues those nerves innervate. You will also see the kind of adjustments that you will be able to deliver in that region of the spine. This is presented as one unit; in this way students will understand the importance of learning all of the details being taught so that he/she is safe and competent in delivering the type of treatment required for the patient’s needs.

Course Delivery

All doctors delivering lectures and seminars are working doctors who treat patients on a daily basis and not just academics.

Continual Assessments

Continual assessment is the most modern way to gauge how the student is progressing. If the student is having difficulties, it is spotted at an early stage and help can be given in any area were required. It also eliminates the very real debilitating stress some students have with the old “classroom” style exams that, after all, only tells us who has a good memory. However, you will be required to write a formal dissertation prior to graduation in your final year.

Curriculum

The curriculum is clearly focused on the needs of the doctor studying the neuromusculoskeletal disorders of the spine. The course provides the essential background knowledge for the safe and appropriate care of patients with neuromusculoskeletal disorders of the spine. It also gives the new doctor the skills to detect and adjust subluxations and allow the body to heal itself.

YEAR ONE	YEAR TWO	YEAR THREE	YEAR FOUR
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Tutorials	Tutorials	Tutorials	Tutorials and Dissertation

Additional Information

This is an extremely exciting opportunity for anyone that wishes to pursue a career in alternative medicine. It is a modular course, one full weekend per month and one or two weeks summer school – this allows you to keep your job and continue to earn while you learn. It consists of linear teaching; modern and easy to understand, lets you, the doctor, see where you are going and shows you the steps how to get there.

How to apply

Completed application forms, together with the administration fee of £100.00 and all supporting documentation must be submitted to the Admissions Dept. Please note that this fee is non-refundable. Cheques to be made payable to Oxford College of Chiropractic.

Entry requirements and qualifications

All students must be 18 years of age; there is no upper age limit

You must agree to a CRB police check

You must have completed at least secondary school education

Life experience will be considered for those applicants with no academic qualifications.

Interview Process

All students will be invited to attend an interview prior to acceptance on the course.

English Language requirements

All students must be able to converse and write in English to a high standard.

Fees

The course cost is £5000 per annum or £500 per month payable by direct debit. In addition, students are advised to budget for books, travel, accommodation and equipment. This should be in the region of approx. £400-600. Course fees may increase in line with inflation. It is imperative that all students have access to a personal computer, as all course work will be downloaded on a monthly basis.

This section has been added to the prospectus in order to help you make an informed decision about your career and the rest of your life.

Below is a list of frequently asked questions with answers.

Q1 What is Chiropractic?

A1 Chiropractic is a manual therapy similar to Osteopathy or Chiropractic but with a different philosophy, however, we in the Chiropractic profession, strive to keep an open mind in regards to other professions and embrace their differences and accept these difference between our profession and theirs but equally to learn to utilise the tools available to us from each of these professions for the benefit of the patient,, with no bias. A useful analogy is a tool box, the more tools you have the better the practitioner you will become.

Q2 How is Chiropractic different from other manual therapy professions?

A2 The main difference between all manual therapies is their philosophy. The basis of our philosophy is **BALANCE, SYMETRY** and **FUNCTION** of all bones, joints and muscles.

Q3 What qualifications do I need to take this course?

A3 No academic qualifications are necessary only a driving desire to embrace natural methods to restore equilibrium to the organism. Life skills are just as important as any academic qualification.

Q4 How long is the Course?

A4 It is a four year modular course. This means that you will attend lectures one weekend per month and these lectures include academic and practical studies. Students should also be aware that they are required to do a minimum of 20 hours home study per week in order to keep up with the course content.

Q5 Is there funding available for this course?

A5 There are some grants available through local authorities. You would have to contact them directly.

Q6 What qualification will I receive at the end of the course? Is it recognised and who recognises it?

A6 The qualification you will receive is a diploma in Chiropractic with the designated title of Dr of Chiropractic. First and foremost this qualification will be recognised by your patients and the Association of Chiropractors who are the governing body at this time.

Q7 How many hours per week would I be required to study and would there be someone whom I could contact if I had a problem mid month?

- A7 As previously stated, a minimum of 20 hours of home study per week is required if you seriously want to learn the art of Chiropractic. Some students will require more home study but the college would definitely not recommend less than 20 hours per week. All our lecturers are visiting lecturers, therefore, you may have someone to speak to depending on the subject i.e. anatomy, physiology or neurology, however, if you have a major problem then you can contact the Administration office who will pass your call through to the college president, Dr Gordon Forbes DC who will deal with your problem.
- Q8 Who accredits the course programme?
- A8 The course programme is accredited by the Association of Chiropractors who are all doctors of chiropractic.

I hope this question and answer page has been useful in helping you make up your mind as to whether a career as a doctor of chiropractic is for you. If it has then please continue perusing the prospectus.

APPLICATION FOR ENTRY
JANUARY 2010

Personal information (please print details clearly using black pen only)

Title Forename Surname

Address :

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Home Telephone Number

E-mail number Fax number

Date of Birth Age

Marital Status Gender

Present Employer

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Position Held

Indicate which course you are applying for by ticking the appropriate box

- Four year modular course
- One year postgraduate course (previous training certificate required)

Educational Qualifications and Experience

(Information must be complete with exact dates given at each entry for all fields below. Please note the declaration at the end of this form)

Name and address of School, College or University last attended

Address of School, College or University	From	To

Education and experience

GCE/GCSE (to be completed by UK applicants)

University matriculation or equivalent (to be completed by overseas applicants)

Qualifications GCSE/A/AS/HNC/D equivalent	Examining Body	Grade / Mark	School / College	Dates taken

Qualifications not yet completed

GCE/GCSE/A/AS/HNC/D Equivalent	Examining Body	Grade (expected)	School/College	Dates to be taken

Evidence of proficiency in English language (overseas students only)

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Other educational achievements (diplomas, degrees etc)

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Life Experience

Give a brief summary of what you have achieved in your life to date that will help with the processing of your application

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Achievements : membership in any professional or trade association

Name of Organisation	Role of Organisation	Position Held	Duration in Post

Role or position held in any civic, religious, political, fraternal organisation

Name of Organisation	Role of Organisation	Position Held	Duration in Post

Awards, citations or other recognition of achievements

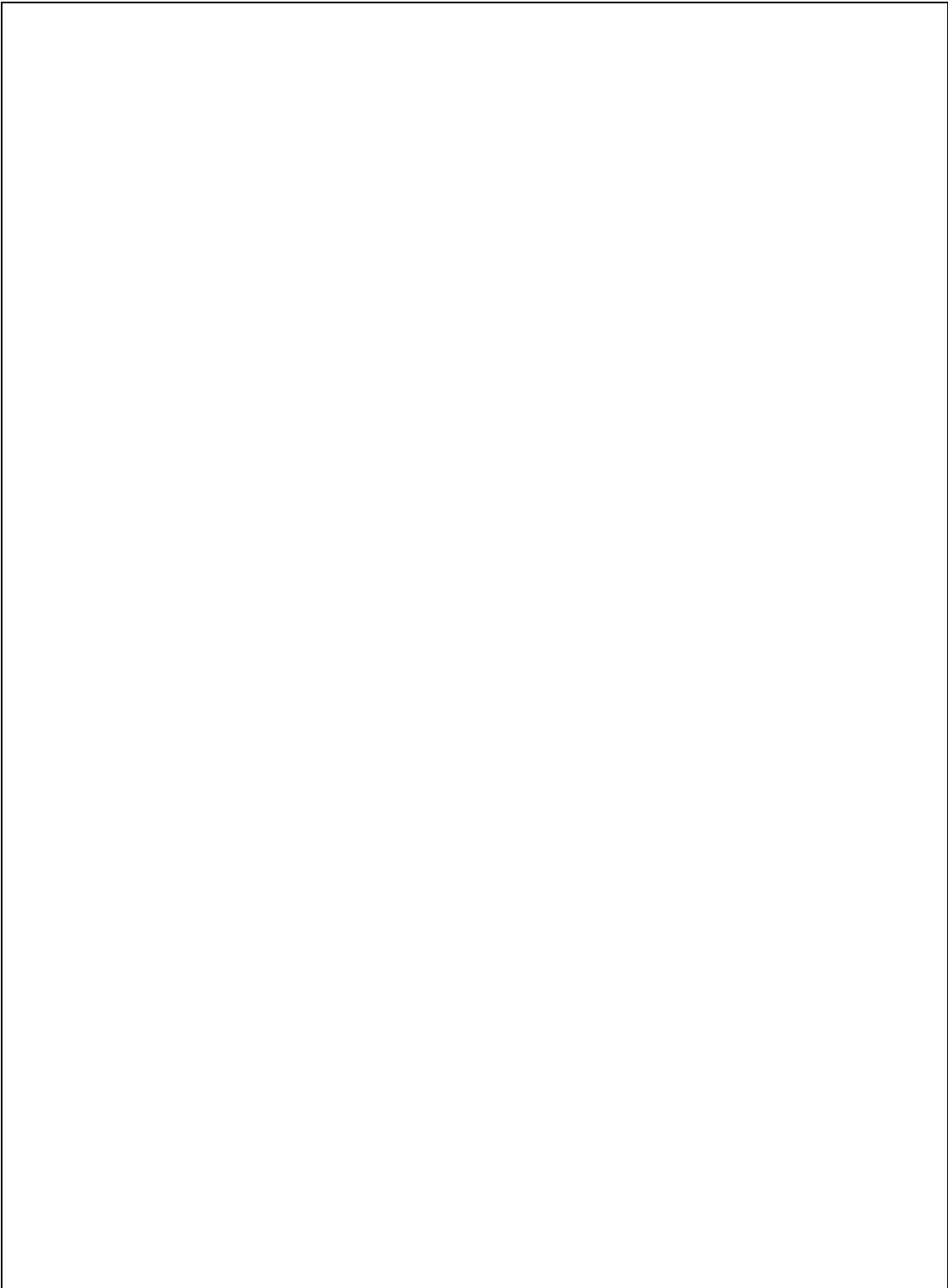
Name of Organisation	Year attained	Type of Award	Achievement

Employment History

Start with your first job and work forwards, attach a separate sheet of paper if necessary.

From-To	Employer	No. of Staff	Job title, Responsibilities and job description

Why do you want to become a Chiropractor?



THESE QUESTIONS MUST BE ANSWERED

Have you ever been convicted of a criminal offence?

YES/NO

(UK / Eire applicants, if yes, please enclose a statement in a sealed envelope for the attention of the Admissions officer. Overseas applicants, please supply a statement from your national police authority.)

Do you consent to the College making checks through the criminal records bureau/national police authority? **YES/NO**

(Refusal to give consent to a police check will result in rejection of your application) Failure to disclose a criminal conviction that is subsequently discovered will result in removal of certification.

Do you have any religious beliefs or practices that might affect your availability to perform College work or participation in assessments during the year? **YES/NO**

If yes, please give reasons below or enclose your reasons in a sealed envelope for the attention of the Admissions officer.

(Please delete as appropriate)

I hereby make application for admission to the Oxford College of Chiropractic for the four year modular course. The academic and financial requirements have been fully explained to my complete satisfaction. I understand that the Oxford College of Chiropractic is a private college and that as a student; the hours that I academically earn may or may not transfer to another college of my choice.

I hereby make application to the Oxford College of Chiropractic for a one year post-graduate course. The academic and financial requirements have been explained to my complete satisfaction. I also understand that all fees and tuition must be paid in full prior to certification or admission to the Association of Chiropractors.

I understand that upon successful certification by the Oxford College of Chiropractic that my application will be forwarded to the Association of Chiropractors for membership consideration.

Declaration

I hereby certify and affirm that all information is true and correct. I do acknowledge that deliberate misrepresentation of information or documentation will be sufficient ground to nullify and void any credits / degrees awarded or granted by this institution.

Signature Date

