



Admissions Checklist for Future Palmer Students

Pursuing a career in chiropractic can open up a new world of opportunities, but before you begin earning your degree you must ensure that you meet all of the admission requirements. We know this process can be stressful and often overwhelming, due to the breadth of information that's involved. That's why we've created this admissions checklist that future Palmer students can use to help them through the enrollment process.

VERIFY THAT YOU MEET THE PREREQUISITES.

To be accepted to the Doctor of Chiropractic Program (DCP) at Palmer College, students must meet specific academic requirements, pending official transcript review. Here are the necessary prerequisites you must achieve in order to gain acceptance:

- Minimum of 90 credit hours
- 3.0 GPA or greater on a 4.0 scale*
- 24 semester hours in life and physical sciences, half with corresponding labs
- Official transcript and favorable background check review
- Well-rounded general education program in the humanities and social sciences (life science, humanities, behavioral sciences, etc.)
- Port Orange, Fla. campus only: priority seating given to those who've earned a bachelor's degree

*Applicants who have fewer than 24 semester credits and/or a cumulative G.P.A. less than 3.0 may qualify through the alternative admissions track plan (AATP), which involves a more extensive review of personal enrollment factors.

APPLY ONLINE.

Fill out the [online application](#). A \$100 non-refundable application fee is due at the time of application. You may also mail in your application:

Office of College Admissions
Palmer College of Chiropractic
1000 Brady Street
Davenport, IA 52803-5287 USA

You may gain provisional status to Palmer College of Chiropractic as soon as you've completed at least 60 semester units of overall coursework and have earned a minimum overall GPA of 2.75 on a 4.0 scale.

SUBMIT YOUR ADMISSIONS ESSAY, RECOMMENDATIONS AND OFFICIAL TRANSCRIPTS.

After turning in your application and fee, you must submit your official school transcripts if any college level courses were taken, as well as your high school transcripts and a one to two-page autobiographical essay explaining why you have chosen a career in chiropractic and why you would like to pursue your Doctor of Chiropractic Degree at Palmer College of Chiropractic. At this time, you're encouraged to also submit two letters of recommendation on official letterhead, one letter must be issued by a Doctor of Chiropractic and the other by a college faculty member. At a later date, you may be requested to submit your tuition deposit, and complete a background check authorization form and final admissions interview.



☐ MEET WITH AN ADMISSIONS REPRESENTATIVE.

Each campus is home to a team of admissions representatives who are ready to answer any questions you may have. Meeting with an admissions representative gives you the opportunity to learn more about the coursework, instructors and overall educational experience you can expect during your time at Palmer. You can also address any concerns you may have and complete any last minute paperwork that you've not yet submitted.

☐ SCHEDULE A CAMPUS VISIT.

Palmer offers a Campus Visit program that allows prospective students to tour the campus on Mondays and Fridays throughout the year while classes are in session. You'll have the opportunity to speak with faculty members and current students, check out the clinic, and meet with representatives from student organizations, as well as the financial planning and admission departments.

☐ ATTEND AN EVENT.

Several Prospective Student Events (PSE) are held throughout the year across the United States. Prospective students meet at local venues or restaurants, where they have the chance to chat with representatives, current faculty, students or alumni. There are also special on-campus events and student receptions at national and local chiropractic conferences.

☐ MEET WITH A FINANCIAL PLANNING OFFICER.

The tuition and fees for Palmer students varies, depending on the campus location and length of program. A financial planning officer can help you calculate all costs and even help create a budget that works for you. Your total cost typically includes: tuition, fees, books, equipment and living expenses.

☐ APPLY FOR FINANCIAL AID.

There are a wide range of financial aid options available to students who qualify. Scholarships, grants, and subsidized/unsubsidized loans are the most common forms of financial aid. You may want to set an appointment with a financial planning officer on campus to discuss the basic requirements, benefits and deadlines for each option. As a general rule, students must remain in acceptable academic standing and meet the minimum cumulative GPA requirements in order to qualify for and maintain financial aid eligibility. In some cases, there are also income and/or credit requirements involved.

Use this admissions checklists to stay organized and focused. Concentrate on checking off each item before moving onto the next. This will make things more manageable, and ensure you haven't missed important steps along the way.

Visit www.palmer.edu/prereqs for complete admission standards.

To discuss qualifications and to help you make an informed decision, please contact an admissions representative at admissions@palmer.edu.



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