



QUICK FACTS ABOUT NORTHWESTERN HEALTH SCIENCES UNIVERSITY

Northwestern Health Sciences University, previously Northwestern College of Chiropractic, has been an international leader in natural health care education, patient care, and research for more than 65 years. Here are some reasons why:

- Northwestern integrates a variety of natural health care professions into one incredible educational opportunity. Programs available include:
 - Northwestern College of Chiropractic
 - Minnesota College of Acupuncture and Oriental Medicine
 - Northwestern's School of Massage Therapy
- Northwestern boasts 300,000 square feet of state-of-the-art laboratories, classrooms, clinics and top-notch facilities, located on 25 beautifully-landscaped acres in suburban Minneapolis, Minnesota.
- Northwestern has a limited enrollment of less than 1,000 students and a student-to-teacher ratio of 11-1, allowing for a more personal and close-knit atmosphere among its faculty and international student body.
- Our classes are taught by world-renowned instructors in small class sizes, which allow students easy access to outstanding educational resources.
- Northwestern has pioneered an extraordinary clinic system, with a University public clinic system, more than 150 internship sites in private practice clinics, a range of clinical partnerships with social service agencies, and final term preceptorship opportunities around the world. The University's public clinic system records more than 72,000 patient visits a year, making it the largest provider of natural health care services in Minnesota.
- The Woodwinds Natural Care Center on the Woodwinds Health Campus, which features a healthy collaboration between conventional medicine and natural health care, is just one of our many pioneering clinical education programs.
- At Northwestern, you will be surrounded with students from other natural care professions that you will associate with throughout your career.
- The University's student population collectively receives more than \$21 million in financial assistance through federal, state, institutional, and private programs.
- The Career Services office assists students in finding jobs after graduation through a variety of effective strategies.
- The University has an international reputation in scientific research, with nearly \$10 million in federally funded research since 1999.





QUICK FACTS ABOUT THE SCHOOL OF MASSAGE THERAPY

- The School of Massage Therapy is accredited by the Commission on Massage Therapy Accreditation (COMTA).
- The 885-hour massage therapy program at Northwestern builds a strong understanding of the human body through 232 hours of courses in anatomy, physiology, pathophysiology, kinesiology and nutrition.
- Access to the cadaver lab provides an exceptional learning experience in human anatomy.
- The program prepares learners for professional practice through a 97-hour sequence of courses addressing communication, ethics, learning skills, legal issues and practice management.
- All of the full-time technique instructors are nationally-certified massage therapists with at least five years of professional practical experience.
- There are two 1,100-square-foot massage labs equipped with a minimum of one massage table for every two students.
- Northwestern puts learning into practice through a structured practicum experience that includes more than 180 hours of hands-on care in one of the University's public clinics.
- The program provides comprehensive training in massage therapy assessment and treatment techniques through a 367-hour sequence of courses.
- Students may enroll in one of two convenient program options: the day program or the evening program. The day program requires three trimesters to complete. For the day program, new students are admitted at the beginning of two trimesters of the academic year: September and January. The evening program requires four trimesters to complete. For the evening program, new students are admitted at the beginning of one trimester of the academic year: April/May.
- Graduates will be fully prepared for most state certification requirements and the National Certification Examination in Therapeutic Massage and will have attained the skills sets necessary to be successful in a wide variety of settings: hospitals and medical clinics; rehabilitation facilities; natural care centers; health clubs; fitness centers and sports facilities; health spas and salons.