

## Des Moines Area Community College Suggested Pre-Chiropractic Curriculum

**90 semester credits at bachelor's degree level:**

**A minimum of 90 semester credits (135 quarter credits) at the bachelor's degree level at a college or university accredited by a regional accrediting agency recognized by the U.S. Department of Education or an equivalent foreign institution.\***

**24 semester credits in the Life and Physical Sciences:**

A minimum of 24 semester credits (36 quarter credits) in the Life and Physical Sciences. Of these 24 semester credits (36 quarter credits), at least half must include a lecture and lab component.

**Minimum cumulative GPA of 3.0 on the best of the 90 semester credits:**

A minimum cumulative GPA of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale on the best of the 90 semester credits (135 quarter credits) completed. The best 90 credits must include the 24 semester credits (36 quarter credits) of Life and Physical Sciences.

### Prerequisites

#### **Required courses in the Life and Physical Sciences**

- **General Chemistry I (with lab)** – CHM 165 General Chemistry I (4 credits)
  - **Biology I (with lab)** – BIO 112 General Biology I (4 credits)
- \* Other biology courses listed below will also fulfill this requirement.

#### **Recommended additional courses in the Life and Physical Sciences**

- **General Chemistry II (with lab)** – CHM 175 General/Inorg Chemistry II (4 credits)
- **Organic Chemistry I (with lab)** – CHM 263 Organic Chemistry I (5 credits)
- **Biology II (with lab)** – Bio 113 General Biology II (4 credits)
- **Biology (with lab)** BIO 168 Anatomy & Physiology I (4 credits)
- **Biology (with lab)** BIO 173 Anatomy & Physiology II (4 credits)
- **Biology (with lab)** BIO 186 Microbiology (4 credits)
- **Physics I (with lab)** – PHY 160 General Physics I (5 credits)
- **Nutrition** – BIO 151 Nutrition (3 credits)
- **Nutrition** – PEH 190 Sorts Nutrition (2 credits)
- **Medical Terminology** – HSC 114 Medical Terminology (3 credits)

Students may check with the Office of Admissions to review science prerequisites. (10/2023)