

Drake University 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) CHEM 001/003 General Chemistry I/Lab (4 credits)
- **Biology I (with lab)** BIO 012/012L Gen/Pre-Professional Biology I/Lab (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) CHEM 002/004 General Chemistry II/Lab (4 credits)
- Organic Chemistry I (with lab) CHEM 097/098 Organic Chemistry I/Lab (4 credits)
- **Biology II (with lab)** BIO 013/013L Gen/Pre-Professional Biol II/Lab (4 credits)
- **Biology (with lab)** BIO 018/018L Anatomy/Physiology/Lab (4 credits)
- Biology (with lab) BIO 129/129L Mammalian Physiology/Lab (5 credits)
- **Biology (with lab)** BIO 103/103L Microbiology/Lab (4 credits)
- **Biology (with lab)** BIO 133/133L Kinesiology/Lab (4 credits)
- **Biology (with lab)** BIO 134/134L Exercise Physiology/Lab (4 credits)
- **Physics I (with lab)** PHY 011 General Physics I (4 credits Lect/Lab)
- **Nutrition** PHAR 126 Principles of Nutrition (2 credits)

Students may check with the Office of Admissions to review science prerequisites. (4/2024)