



UNIVERSITY  
OF WESTERN  
STATES

*College of Chiropractic*

## Pre-Chiropractic Course Selections for:

**Santa Rosa Junior College**  
Santa Rosa, California

The Doctor of Chiropractic program at University of Western States is a rigorous first-professional doctoral degree program whose graduates are trained as primary care chiropractic physicians. Applicants are expected to have undergraduate preparation similar to that of other professional doctoral health care professions. Although the majority of UWS DC students have completed undergraduate programs in biology, chemistry, kinesiology, or zoology, there is no "best" major for continuing on into chiropractic study. Choice of major should be guided primarily by a student's own intellectual interests and aptitudes.

Students must complete a minimum of 90 semester credits with a cumulative GPA of 3.00 on a 4.00 scale. This credit minimum is equivalent to three years of full-time post secondary-level work toward a baccalaureate degree. Individual courses must be completed with at least a "C" grade. Candidates are advised to contact the UWS admissions staff to review individual questions about course selection and overall background.

UWS Admissions: (800) 641-5641  
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UWS Website: [www.uws.edu](http://www.uws.edu)

The following courses generally meet the entry requirements for the University of Western States' Doctor of Chiropractic Program.

UWS Course Requirements	Minimum Credits	SRJC Courses	SRJC Credits
<b>Life &amp; Physical Sciences</b> UWS recommends a "pre-medical" foundation: such courses typically include a full year sequence of biology, general chemistry, organic and/or biochemistry, and physics with related laboratory. (Note #2)	24 (Note #1)	BIO 2.1, 2.2 <i>or</i> ANAT 1, PHYSIO 1 CHEM 1A, 1B <i>or</i> CHEM 4A, 4B <i>and</i> CHEM 12A, 12B PHYS 20 + 20L, 21 + 21L	38
<b>Humanities &amp; Social Sciences</b> Humanities courses typically include art history, literature, music, philosophy, religious thought, foreign language, and performing arts; social sciences typically include anthropology, economics, geography, history, political sciences, psychology, and sociology.	no minimum (Note #4)	Consult with the SRJC Advising Office or UWS Admissions Staff regarding applicability of individual courses.	--
<b>Additional Courses*</b>	--	Select courses that are in your interest area.	--
<b>Total For Courses Listed</b>			
<b>Total Credits Required</b>	<b>90</b>		<b>90</b>

**Notes:**

- #1 Students generally earn more than the number of minimum credits indicated.
- #2 At least half of the life and physical sciences must include laboratory.
- #3 Students may substitute approved kinesiology, biomechanics, exercise physiology, or statistics toward the physics requirement.
- #4 No minimum credit requirement; students should have a well-rounded distribution of humanities and social sciences.

**\*SUGGESTED ADDITIONAL COURSEWORK:** Many of the credits needed to reach the 90 credit entrance requirement will be fulfilled by taking the prerequisite coursework listed above. For students needing additional credits, biology coursework above and beyond the minimums listed above is strongly recommended.