



CAREER PATH

Health

CAREER CLUSTER
Health Sciences

CAREER PATHWAY
Therapeutic Services



CHIROPRACTOR

Adjust spinal column and other articulations of the body to correct abnormalities of the human body believed to be caused by interference with the nervous system. Examine patient to determine nature and extent of disorder. Manipulate spine or other involved area. May utilize supplementary measures, such as exercise, rest, water, light, heat, and nutritional therapy.

Knowledge and Skills Needed

In addition to courses required for high school graduation, essential skills and knowledge needed for a career as a chiropractor are reinforced by taking rigorous and relevant courses, as well as participating in work-based experiences and student organization activities.

(See the Sample Personal Plan of Study for suggested coursework, activities, and knowledge and skills to pursue in preparation of an occupation in this Career Cluster.)

Education Requirements

Occupation	Percent of Missouri employees aged 25 to 44 in the occupation whose highest level of educational attainment is:		
	High School or Less	Some College	Bachelor Degree or More
Chiropractors	0.0%	0.0%	97.5%
Health Diagnosing and Treating Practitioners	1.3%	11.4%	87.4%
Healthcare Practitioner and Technical	9.9%	31.0%	59.1%

Most Common Educational Level: First professional degree

Note: Be sure to learn whether your occupation has a specific requirement for education or licensing. Apprenticeships are available for more than 240 occupations. Visit www.oe.doleta.gov/bat.cfm

National and State Wage Information

Location	Pay Period	2007		
		Entry*	Median	Experienced**
United States	Hourly	\$21.95	\$31.68	\$47.06
	Yearly	\$45,700	\$65,900	\$97,900
Missouri	Hourly	\$21.14	\$33.76	\$46.23
	Yearly	\$44,000	\$70,200	\$96,200

Based on (*) lower 25% and (**) upper 25% percentile of wages

National and State Employment Trends

Chiropractor	Employment		Percent Change	Job Openings*
	2006	2016		
United States	52,700	60,300	+ 14%	1,340
Missouri	850	1,000	+ 17%	30

*The estimate for Job Openings includes both turnover that results from people who leave the occupation (e.g. quit, retire, death) and new jobs that are created.

Educational Opportunities

Note: This list may not be all inclusive. For more information about Missouri schools and programs, visit www.dhe.mo.gov

Cleveland Chiropractic College

Kansas City, MO
(816) 501-0100
www.cleveland.edu

Logan College of Chiropractic

Chesterfield, MO
(636) 227-2100
www.logan.edu

Pre-chiropractic studies at:

Saint Louis Community College - Florissant Valley

St. Louis, MO
(314) 513-4200
www.stlcc.edu/fv

Saint Louis Community College - Forest Park

St. Louis, MO
(314) 644-9100
www.stlcc.cc.mo.us/fp

Saint Louis Community College - Meramec

Kirkwood, MO
(314) 984-7500
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