FINANCIAL AID

Chiropractic Made Affordable

Our financial aid packages – combining federal and institutional aid – make us one of the most affordable chiropractic colleges in the country. Nearly 98% of students receive some form of financial aid – including loans, scholarships, family discounts and work-study. Eligible veterans can receive assistance from VA education and training programs, including the Yellow Ribbon Program.

Total Tuition

Tuition from April 2020-March 2021 is \$8,825 per quarter.

Available Loans

The college offers Direct Unsubsidized Loans, Grad PLUS Loans and emergency loans. Information on private loan sources is also available.

Scholarships

A variety of scholarships are available; find a listing online at www.sherman.edu/scholarships.

Institutional Discounts

When spouses are both enrolled at full tuition, each may apply for a 25% discount. Members of the immediate family (children, parents, brothers and sisters) each receive a 10% discount.

Average Debt

Average debt upon graduation is \$188,400, to cover tuition, books and living expenses (this amount does not include loans from undergraduate or accrued interest). Average debt is based on 14 quarters of study at Sherman College.

Low Default Rate

Our Title IV historical default rate average is less than 4%, which means graduates are well able to pay off loans and practice successfully. This speaks for the ability of our program to prepare you for practice and reflects our commitment to your financial success.



Applications for Financial Aid

Applications for financial aid must be filed with the college a minimum of six weeks prior to registration. Admitted students should complete:

- Sherman Financial Aid Application
- Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) at StudentAid.gov; Sherman College's FAFSA code is 013853
- Entrance Counseling and Federal Direct Loan Agreements/MPNs at StudentAid.gov

Assistance Following Graduation

Federal loan servicers offer a variety of repayment plans. Upon graduation, you can choose the plan that fits your needs and budget. By following any one of the plans below, you will be able to successfully repay your students loans. You may want to utilize a standard plan with a fixed monthly payment amount or an alternative plan in which your monthly payment is based on factors such as household size and discretionary income. If you work for a government agency or a certain type of nonprofit, you may be eligible for loan forgiveness after you complete 120 monthly payments under a qualifying plan.

INVESTING WISELY

Attending chiropractic college is a financial investment that you won't take lightly – and neither will we. Sherman College offers extensive financial planning services and experienced staff members to guide you through the financial planning process to help you minimize loans and get the most for your education dollar.



WE'RE READY TO HELP

We are happy to help you with any questions you may have about chiropractic college prerequisites, the application process, the curriculum, practice success, iSherman, tuition, financial aid and more. Contact the Admission Office at 800-849-8771, ext. 760 or 200, or email admissions@sherman.edu.



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Get Ready for Your Career as a Doctor of Chiropractic

The chiropractic profession is all about serving others to improve their health. Chiropractors take a natural, preventative approach to health care, without the invasive use of drugs or surgery, helping patients achieve good health and function at their best. Chiropractic is about helping people of all ages – from infancy to active senior living – enjoy better health under care.

Chiropractic career opportunities include solo practice, associate doctor, clinic team member, sports chiropractor, animal chiropractor, fitness facility chiropractor, educator, administrator and researcher. Read on to find out how to start your journey into this exciting and inspiring profession.

As a Doctor of Chiropractic (D.C.), you will:

- Make a difference in your community.
- Help people with a natural approach to health.
- Promote a healthy lifestyle and disease prevention.
- Enhance performance and improve patients' lives.
- Be a caregiver, leader, role model and educator.



PREREQUISITES

Get Ready: Chiropractic College Admission Requirements

To get into chiropractic college, you need at least 90 semester hours with a minimum grade point average of 3.0 or higher, though many students complete a bachelor's degree before enrolling. Of the 90 hours required for traditional admission, 24 must be life and/or physical sciences with corresponding labs for half, and 15 hours must be in the humanities, social and/or behavioral sciences.

Alternative Admission Track Plan

If you have an overall GPA between 2.75 and 2.99 and/or less than the required hours in the sciences, you may be eligible for the AATP. This admission standard is designed to allow students with various academic backgrounds to enroll in chiropractic school based on the academic achievements they already have. We encourage you to submit transcripts and contact admissions for individual counseling.

Traditional Admission Track

- 90 semester hours
- GPA of 3.0 or higher
- 24 semester hours in life and physical sciences, half with substantive lab component (preferred courses include biology, physics, chemistry, biochemistry, organic chemistry, anatomy and physiology; we prefer that you have an equal distribution of life and physical sciences)
- 15 semester hours in humanities, social and behavioral sciences (preferred courses cover a range of topics and include psychology and English, speech and/or communications)
- Only courses with a grade of "C" or higher will be accepted



Alternative Admission Track Plan

- 90 semester hours
- GPA of 2.75 or higher
- 12 semester hours in life and physical sciences preferred
- If you are admitted via AATP, you'll receive an individual academic plan and we'll monitor your progress throughout the course of the program to ensure your success

CURRICULUM

Balanced Curriculum

At Sherman, you'll receive a comprehensive chiropractic education – relevant to the future of health care. Our balanced curriculum offers the knowledge you need in areas like basic science, chiropractic technique and philosophy, and practice success. You can also work with the research department to advance the profession with evidence-based study.

Academic Rigor and Preparation

Sherman's academic program is focused and rigorous, including more than 4,700 classroom hours in a set course sequence over 14 quarters or three and one-half calendar years. You may spend up to 35 hours per week in class in early quarters of study. In addition to preparing you for chiropractic practice, Sherman also gets you ready for a series of National Board exams required for chiropractic licensure.

Sample First Quarter Schedule

	М	Т	W	тн	F
8-8:50	Histology/ Embryology	Histology/ Embryology	Histology/ Embryology	Histology/ Embryology	
9-9:50	Histology/ Embryology	Palpation I	Palpation I		Professional Principles
10-10:50	Philosophy I	Philosophy I	Terminology	Philosophy I	Philosophy I
11-11:50					
12-12:50	Osteology/ Arthrology	Osteology/ Arthrology	Osteology/ Arthrology		Intro to Evidence- Informed Practice
1-1:50	Palpation I	Foundational Disciplines	Foundational Disciplines	Palpation I	Human Anatomy & Physiology
2-2:50		Professional Principles		Professional Principles	
3-3:50	Osteology & Arthrology Lab		Human Anatomy & Physiology		
4-4:50	Osteology & Arthrology Lab			Human Anatomy & Physiology	

PRACTICE SUCCESS

Hands-On Education

You'll learn from passionate, expert faculty in a hands-on, highly individualized learning environment that makes for extraordinary success among our graduates. Classes are intimate, with attention and mentoring from expert faculty who treat you like a colleague.

The Clinical Program

In the second phase of your Sherman education, you'll become an intern at the college's on-campus Health Center, where you will engage in all aspects of patient care to develop clinical competency. You'll work as a team with our licensed faculty chiropractors, providing quality and affordable chiropractic care to area residents. You'll see complex cases and provide vital care to patients in need. You'll receive additional training in communicating chiropractic to the public. And you'll experience what it's like to make a positive impact on your patients' health and lives. Qualified students can further their practical experience by taking advantage of our Practice Management Observational Elective, which offers real-world experience in the business of running a chiropractic practice.

Ready for Practice with the G10 Practice Success Program

Our Graduation Plus 10 (G10) business curriculum helps students explore the practical aspects of establishing and growing their practices, along with providing a game plan for eliminating student loan debt within the first 10 years after graduation. It is an innovative curriculum that starts in first quarter to provide intensive training on how to be a chiropractic entrepreneur. The program covers everything from managing start-up costs to defining the value proposition of a business. It puts sound business practices alongside expert clinical instruction so Sherman graduates can build enduring and distinguished practices, as well as thrive financially so they can serve fully.

ENROLLMENT TIP

Apply early to ensure a place in the class of your choice. Students are admitted in January, April, July and October. You can apply online at www.sherman.edu/apply.

Make Sure You're Ready: Licensure Requirements

Licensure requirements vary from state to state, and some of these requirements apply to a student's prerequisite education and therefore must be satisfied before enrolling in chiropractic college. To ensure that you meet the requirements of the state(s) in which you wish to practice, we suggest you visit the Federation of Chiropractic Licensing Boards at www.fclb.org for state board contact information.



Sherman College's Doctor of Chiropractic program is unique in its approach to health care and known globally for producing doctors who are highly skilled in their delivery of chiropractic care. We prepare students to become doctors of chiropractic who are compassionate, ethical and successful.

Classroom Study

During your first eight quarters, you'll study basic and clinical sciences. You'll start with courses like anatomy, then move on to clinically applied courses in patient assessment such as x-ray and diagnostics. Chiropractic technique and palpation classes begin your first quarter.

iSherman Initiative

Sherman is the only chiropractic college giving all students iPads, at no additional tuition cost, with access to the latest technology, transforming the curriculum and enhancing learning. Each iPad comes fully loaded with everything from syllabi to e-books. Our faculty use technology to make courses come to life, improving the learning experience for all students and helping them succeed as they navigate a challenging academic program.