

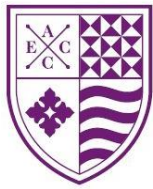
## MSc Chiropractic (Pre-registration) Clinical Placement Units and Clinical Placement Additional Information

Within the MSc Chiropractic (Pre-reg) course there are two Clinical Placement units that are integral to development of the clinical competence and professionalism expected of a chiropractor. These units, and their associated clinical placements, enable you to learn in an experiential manner through authentic simulated clinical experiences and within a supervised clinical setting with real patients, integrating and developing the learning from other units within the course.

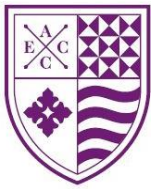
As these units each contain a substantial clinical placement, the contact and learning hours for these units are much higher than a typical university unit, but they are consistent with the expectations for experiential learning for first qualification chiropractic courses and their successful completion is a requirement to complete the MSc Chiropractic (Pre-reg) course and register as a chiropractor.

Your attention is drawn to the fact that the clinical placements extend across the summer periods as indicated within the overview below.

<b>CHP7005 Clinical Placement I</b>	Overview	Setting	Indicative duration
Spring Semester Year 1	During the Spring Semester you will learn through a combination of directed learning and application of learning in the classroom setting and through simulated clinical experiences. The learning in this semester will enable you to understand the expectations of a chiropractor as a contemporary healthcare provider, the GCC Code, and time to integrate the learning from other units. You will be introduced to the fundamentals of evidence-informed, patient-centred and values-based practice, as well as reflective practice. The learning in this semester will prepare you for your first clinical placement experience.	Directed learning on Moodle and class-based learning including simulated clinical experiences	48 hours
Summer Period Year 1	During the summer period between the end of the Spring Semester and the start of the Autumn Semester you will be required to undertake a <b>Clinical Placement Experience</b> . This experience will consist of an onsite placement experience and offsite observations of chiropractors in practice.  During the onsite experience at AECC campus, you will be able to apply some of the skills and	Onsite clinical placement experience.	6 weeks

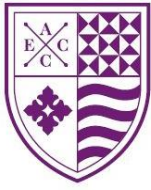


	<p>knowledge acquired during the Spring Semester within a supervised clinical setting working alongside second year clinical placement students. This experience may include tasks such as taking and recording patient history information and SOAP notes, basic physical examinations such as palpation, simple orthopaedic tests, assessment of posture and gait, functional assessment of the upper quarter and neurological assessment of sensation, strength and reflexes. You will learn about the onsite clinical placement procedures and the expectations you will need to meet through the remainder of your studies in year 1. You will also gain other multidisciplinary clinical experiences such as time spent in the integrated rehabilitation centre.</p> <p>You will also normally be expected to undertake observations of chiropractors and/or other healthcare professionals outside of the AECC University College setting. These experiences will be observational only.</p> <p>To evidence the learning achieved from these experiences, you will complete a portfolio of clinical experiences including an experience logbook, anonymised case write ups, and learning cycles.</p>	Private chiropractic practices and/or other healthcare settings	2 weeks
Autumn Semester Year 1	In this Semester there will be an emphasis on role play and other simulations, to prepare you for completing the assessment and management of your own patients within the year 2 clinical placement. You will spend most of your time practicing skills in role play of the new patient encounter, practicing history taking, physical examination, justification of diagnoses, further investigations and clinical management plans. You will develop the values, behaviours, clinical record keeping and communication skills expected of a chiropractic student seeing their own patients within a supervised clinical setting.	Directed learning on Moodle and class-based learning including simulated clinical experiences	48 hours
<b>CHP7006 Clinical Placement II</b>	Overview	Setting	Indicative duration
Spring Semester, through summer and Autumn Semester of year 2	This unit aims to provide the opportunity to apply and develop chiropractic and medical knowledge, and clinical skills through working in supervised clinical practice to enable you to become safe and competent to enter independent clinical practice.	AECC Chiropractic Clinic and Integrated Rehabilitation	Circa 46 weeks, 3 days per week



	<p>Most of the learning in this unit occurs through the interactions with patients, clinic staff, clinicians and peers.</p> <p>The substantial clinical placement extends throughout the second year of the course across a whole calendar year (with approximately 6 weeks of designated holiday across the year). During this placement you will be assessing and managing your own patients under the direction of qualified chiropractors as well as providing mentorship to chiropractic students in earlier years of study. You will be expected to create and defend patient-centred and evidence-informed management plans for the patients under your care.</p> <p>You will learn how to facilitate an effective clinician-patient relationship, develop the skills and attitudes necessary to achieve optimal patient care within a healthcare team, and to influence the health and well-being of patients and the community. At the same time you will develop the the qualities of leadership and mentorship and the skills of life-long critical and reflective learning, the adoption of change, and effective collaboration with other healthcare professionals.</p>	Centre (and other multi-D opportunities as and when available)	
Spring Semester & Autumn Semester	Through the Spring and Autumn Semesters your experiential learning on clinical placement will be supported by directed learning activities on Moodle, practical classes and seminars.	Directed learning on Moodle and AECC UC class-based learning	48 hours

***\*In addition to this time, students are also expected to complete independent study and tutor-guided study***



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