

CHIROPRACTIC EDUCATION IN SWITZERLAND

Chiropractic students have the possibility to study either in Switzerland or abroad.

SWITZERLAND:

For further information about chiropractic studies in Zürich, please visit:

- www.study-chiropractic.ch

ABROAD:

There is a list of chiropractic educational institutions recognized by the federal authorities:

- [Anerkannte Studiengänge](#)
- [Filières d'études reconnues](#)

Please note that this list is under revision. Swiss students who are interested in taking up chiropractic studies abroad are highly advised to get in contact with ChiroSuisse **before** registering for the studies.

Entry requirements for the education abroad:

- Federal maturity
- Specific entry requirements set by the educational institution (see information provided by the educational institutions)

Further prerequisites for admission to Swiss federal exam in chiropractic:

- Graduates from abroad must submit proof of **60 ECTS acquired at a Swiss University** (studies in chiropractic, medicine, dentistry or pharmacy). These credits may be acquired before or after the chiropractic studies abroad.
- [Prüfungszulassung](#)
- [Admission à l'examen](#)

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6TH YEAR IN CHIROPRACTIC MEDICINE (PRACTICAL YEAR) IN ZÜRICH OR LAUSANNE:

Candidates with a chiropractic diploma from abroad may acquire the missing 60 ECTS-credits in the 6th year of the Swiss chiropractic program in Zürich (German) or in Lausanne (French). To be admitted as a guest student, candidates must pass the clinic entrance exam (CEE) that usually takes place end of May or beginning of June.

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The program consists of 6 months of rotations as an under-assistant in the Policlinic for Chiropractic Medicine (Balgrist or CHUV) and 5 months in the different clinics of the Balgrist University Hospital or the CHUV. Students that successfully complete year 6 in chiropractic medicine are awarded 60 ECTS. A Master's degree of the University of Zürich is not awarded.

POSTGRADUATE EDUCATION - FEDERAL POSTGRADUATE TITLE

Prerequisite to be admitted to the postgraduate education is the federal diploma in chiropractic. The 2.5 years postgraduate education is offered by the Swiss Chiropractic Academy. It includes 2 years of work as a chiropractor under the supervision of a recognized principal, mandatory postgraduate courses and a four months hospital rotation. It leads to the federal postgraduate title. The postgraduate exam can be taken in French or German.

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITY

The federal postgraduate title is the prerequisite to practice chiropractic independently in Switzerland. In addition to this a chiropractor needs a cantonal work permit. This in turn is a prerequisite to apply for a ZSR-number or a K-number that will allow billing through the Swiss social insurance system.

EUROPEAN AND NON-EUROPEAN CITIZENS

Citizens applying for recognition/equivalency of their education and/or postgraduate education title may submit their request to:

[Medizinalberufekommission \(MEBEKO\)](#)

[Commission des professions médicales \(MEBEKO\)](#)

Ressort Ausbildung (education) or Ressort Weiterbildung (postgraduate education)

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Information for **EU citizens**:

[Anerkennung Diplome Chiropraktik](#)

[Reconnaissance des diplômes en chiropratique](#)

Information for **NON-EU citizens**:

[Erwerb eidgenössisches Diplom in Chiropraktik](#)

[Obtention du diplôme fédéral en chiropratique](#)

For further information and links please visit: [Chiropractic Education in Switzerland](#)