



## **AECC partners with Canadian Memorial Chiropractic College to offer Masters Programme**

Postgraduate students at the Canadian Memorial Chiropractic College (CMCC) are enrolling on the AECC's Master of Science Advanced Professional Practice (Clinical Sciences) following a unique agreement forged between the two institutions.

Canadian-based students entering the three-year programme have access to a CMCC Research Supervisor and also benefit from being able to speak directly to AECC tutors during their studies.

The Clinical Sciences programme is one of eleven MSc courses currently delivered at the AECC and it is possible that further courses could be entered onto by CMCC students in the future.

Both the AECC and CMCC are delighted at being able to forge a collaborative form of study.

"We're very excited about this program because it finally offers the opportunity for more chiropractors to access postgraduate education," says Dr. Paula Stern, Director of Graduate Studies at CMCC. "As well as being available on a part time basis, there is flexibility to the program. As a professional Masters, it allows individuals to choose courses of interest. A candidate may choose to focus on a variety of topics such as geriatrics, chronic pain or disability."

As with any joint offering, discussions have been ongoing for some time. "There was a pre-existing synergy between the programs that have made this a very natural fit," says Stern. We like to view it as the first of many additional opportunities of this type."

Dr. Jean Moss, President of CMCC, sees the program as a natural evolution within Graduate Studies at CMCC. "We're seeing much more interprofessional collaboration than in the past," says Moss. "Offering a Master's degree helps to harmonize the academic qualifications among professionals."

The AECC's Principal Kenneth Vall added;

"We are delighted about this collaboration with the CMCC, both for the individuals concerned and for the two institutions. The AECC strives to collaborate with many outward-looking institutions and the CMCC in particular fits well into that category."

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