



## Naturopathy Academic Career Pathway

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In North America, there are [7 accredited Naturopathic Physician Colleges](#) including two in Canada: [Boucher Institute of Naturopathic Medicine](#) (BINM) and [Canadian College of Naturopathic Medicine](#) (CCNM).

Naturopathic doctors (ND) integrate standard medical diagnostics with a broad range of natural therapies.

### Requirements to practice:

- A bachelor's degree and a minimum 90 credits from a recognized Canadian or regionally accredited post-secondary institution
- Complete four years at an accredited naturopathic medical college
- Students must then pass comprehensive licensing exams to be registered to practice.

### Associations:

- [The Canadian Association of Naturopathic Doctors](#)
- [British Columbia Naturopathic Association](#)

### Admission Requirements:

#### [Boucher Institute of Naturopathic Medicine](#) (BINM):

- four-year Bachelor's degree with a minimum of 90 credits from an accredited and accepted institution, **including the courses on the next page**
- Admission cumulative GPA calculated on all courses in Bachelor's degree - require minimum 2.70
- Minimum C grade (60 percent) in each pre-requisite course (recent - within 7 years)
- Science pre-requisite CGPA – minimum 2.5

#### [Canadian College of Naturopathic Medicine](#) (CCNM):

- four-year Bachelor's degree or a minimum of 90 credits which includes a Bachelor's Degree) **which must include the courses on the next page**
- Admission cumulative GPA – average has been 3.3 (minimum 2.70 depending on full application)
- Minimum 60 percent in each pre-requisite course

In addition to mandatory prerequisites listed below also see recommended courses [BINM](#) and [CCNM](#)

BINM Required Courses (min C grade (60 percent)each course)	CCNM Required Courses (minimum 60 percent each course)	Douglas College Equivalent	Refer to Douglas College <a href="#">Program and Course Catalogue</a> for course pre-requisite information and/or <a href="#">Assessment Services</a>
<b>Biology (6 Credits)</b> Introductory or General Biology ( <i>except: Anatomy and Physiology courses</i> )	<b>General Biology (6 Credits)</b>	<a href="#">BIOL 1110</a> (5)  and <a href="#">BIOL 1210</a> (5)	
<b>General Chemistry (3 credits)</b> *6 credits strongly recommended	<b>General Chemistry (6 credits)</b>	<a href="#">CHEM 1110</a> (4)  and <a href="#">CHEM 1210</a> (5)	
<b>Physiology or Anatomy and Physiology (6 credits)</b> *recommended but not required	<b>Physiology or Anatomy and Physiology (6 Credits)</b>	<a href="#">BIOL 1103</a> (3) or <a href="#">BIOL 1109</a> (3)  and  <a href="#">BIOL 1203</a> (3) or <a href="#">BIOL 1209</a> (3)	
<b>Organic Chemistry (3 Credits)</b>	<b>Organic Chem. (3 Credits)</b> *recommended but not required	<a href="#">CHEM 2321</a> (5)	
<b>Biochemistry (3 Credits)</b>	<b>Biochemistry (3 credits)</b> *recommended but not required	<a href="#">BIOL 2421</a> (3)	
<b>Psychology/Counselling (3 Credits)</b> (more PSYC credits recommended)	<b>Psychology (3 Credits)</b>	<a href="#">PSYC 1100</a> (3) or <a href="#">PSYC 1200</a> (3)	
<b>ENGL, Humanities or Social Sciences (6 Credits)</b> Must include a significant essay-writing component  *NOT MODL courses	<b>ENGL, Humanities or Social Sciences (6 Credits)</b> Must include an essay- writing component  *NOT MODL courses	<a href="#">ENGL</a> (3) <a href="#">ENGL 1130</a> (3) recommended  and  UT electives – see <a href="#">program and course catalogue</a>	

\*\*NOTE: This worksheet is not an official transfer table, but rather is a guide to assist students. All effort has been made to ensure accuracy of the information, HOWEVER, it is student's responsibility to consult the BC Transfer Guide [www.bctransferguide.ca](http://www.bctransferguide.ca) prior to registering for courses at Douglas College to ensure above information is current and accurate.

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