



Saskatoon Health Region Orthoptic Program  
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## Prerequisites for Orthoptic Program Students

APPLICANTS ARE REQUIRED TO MEET THE FOLLOWING:

### ***Educational Prerequisites:***

Minimum of a Baccalaureate Degree or equivalent.

Courses in the sciences, particularly in the areas of Anatomy, Physiology, Psychology, Biology, Math and Physics are considered beneficial.

Only undergraduate course grades are considered in the application process. There is no minimum grade requirement. Additional points are awarded for each course where the candidate scored 75% or over. Points are subtracted for each course where the candidate scored 65% or below.

### ***Health Prerequisites:***

Work in the Orthoptic Clinic requires manual dexterity, frequent bending and twisting, and occasional lifting. Any conditions involving restricted mobility or weakness involving the neck, back or shoulders as this may affect the ability to work comfortably as an Orthoptist or may put the applicant at risk for injury.

Good visual acuity in at least one eye is required.

All students must be able to perform the essential functions of a student orthoptist. Reasonable accommodations will be afforded to student orthoptists with disabilities as required under the Saskatchewan Human Rights Act. Faculty and staff from the Orthoptic Program will work with the Saskatchewan Health Authority people strategies department to determine what constitutes reasonable accommodations.

If there are any questions or concerns regarding the program's prerequisites, please contact the Program Director for clarification.