Doctor of Acupuncture with a Chinese Herbal Medicine Specialization (DAc)
The goal of the Doctor of Acupuncture with a Chinese Herbal Medicine Specialization (DAc) program is to train you to become a licensed acupuncturist. In conjunction with the DAc degree, students will also receive the Master of Acupuncture with a Chinese Herbal Medicine Specialization (MAc) upon completion of its requirements. The states that regulate and license professional acupuncturists recognize this degree as meeting requisite academic credential requirements for sitting for the National Certification Commission for Acupuncture & Oriental Medicine (NCCAOM) licensure exam. The degree program is a 4-year degree program emphasizing traditional Chinese medicine, integrative approaches, and evidence based research.

Accreditation
Both DAc and Mac programs are accredited by Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges and Accreditation Commission for Acupuncture and Herbal Medicine.

Curriculum
- Fundamentals of TCM
- Acupuncture
- Tai-Chi
- Qi-Gong
- Acupressure
- Tui-Na
- Herbal Medicine
- Food Therapy
- Western Clinical Medicine
- Evidence-Based Medicine
- Professional Development
- Clinical Internship

Your Future Career
The DAc was designed by the Accreditation Commission for Acupuncture and Herbal Medicine as an entrance into the field. The main difference between the DAc and MAc is the emphasis on integrative medicine and evidence based research. Similar to other medical professions, how well you do in your career will depend on your medical knowledge, treatment techniques, and communication skills, and mastering these skill will greatly impact your income. Consequently, choosing the right school is crucial in dictating your future success. Our college’s philosophy is to provide you with the most rigorous and thorough curriculum and diverse clinical training as possible so that you have the greatest chance of success.

Program Information
The curriculum includes categories of the traditional Chinese medicine (TCM), herbs, and biomedicine.
- Fully onsite program
- 171 credit hours in total
- Full or part-time enrollment
- Day and evening classes
- Classroom and hands on training
- Study abroad opportunities at our six sister schools in Asia
- Clinical observation and rotation at the Methodist Hospitals when available

Admissions Eligibility
- Bachelor’s degree or equivalent (120 semester credit hours with 30 being upper-level and 30 of general education)
- Undergraduate grade point average (GPA) of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale
- Candidates holding a master’s degree may be admitted on the basis of that degree with a 3.0 GPA on a 4.0 scale
- ACAOM alumni will have their studies evaluated for potential deficiencies prior to enrollment. Additional courses may be required.

Tuition and Financial Aid
A tuition payment plan can be arranged. Federal financial aid available.

Scholarships
There are scholarships available for qualified new students and continuing students. Scholarships will be considered on two factors: first come first serve in completed applications and merit.

Application Requirements
For U.S. citizens and residents:
- Completed application form
- Two recent passport size photographs
- Official transcript(s) from all previously attended college(s)
- Personal statement
- Two letters of recommendation
- Valid personal identification
- $100 non-refundable application fee
For international students, add:
- Course by course evaluation of transcripts
- Proof of financial responsibility
- Proof of English proficiency
American College of Acupuncture & Oriental Medicine

apply online
acaom.edu/programs/apply-now

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