

American College of
Acupuncture & Oriental Medicine

Shaping the Future of Healthcare





The Face of Healthcare is Changing

Healthcare professionals are increasingly combining modern medicine with holistic healing to promote wellness. Today's patients are savvy, and they're seeking alternatives or additions to how they prevent, treat, and manage conditions. Demand for holistic medical treatments such as acupuncture, herbal medicine, and food therapy is steadily on the rise.

Where East Meets West

The American College of Acupuncture & Oriental Medicine (ACAOM) embraces the tenets of Western science and the natural traditions of the East. Our graduate programs will prepare you to integrate Traditional Chinese Medicine (TCM) with your existing skills, making for a meaningful, holistic healthcare practice.

Expand and Enrich Your Career

Take your passion for helping and healing others in an exciting new direction with a graduate degree from American College of Acupuncture & Oriental Medicine. Whether you're already a healthcare professional or new to the field, you'll find deep satisfaction in seeing the positive results of holistic healing.

Make breakthroughs in healing.

Improve health, well-being, and quality of life as you discover and implement the practices that deliver the best results for each person you serve.

Expand your treatment portfolio.

If you're already a healthcare provider, you can expand your practice by earning an additional degree in Oriental medicine.

Enter a booming job market.

Employment of health educators and community health workers is projected to grow 16 percent from now until 2026 (U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics), much faster than the average for all occupations.

Treat the whole person.

Provide compassionate care as you combine a variety of wellness options to treat the whole being: mind and body.

Conditions Treated

Pain Management

Infertility

Addictions

Dermatology Conditions

Internal Medicine

Neurological Problems

Digestive Diseases

Allergies

Insomnia

Depression

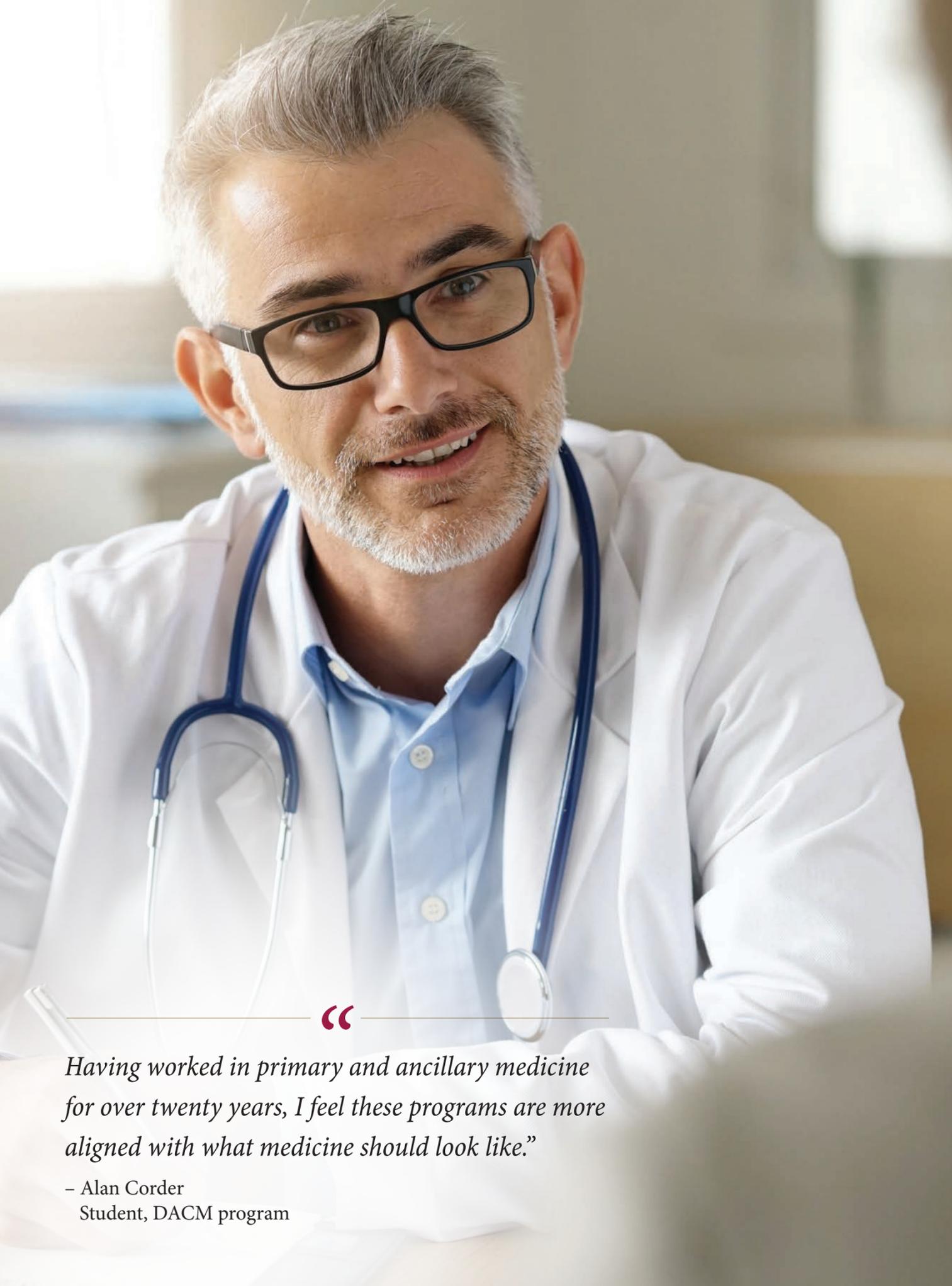
Respiratory Disorders

Sports Injuries

Immune Deficiencies

Weight Management

...And many more



Having worked in primary and ancillary medicine for over twenty years, I feel these programs are more aligned with what medicine should look like.”

– Alan Corder
Student, DACM program

Shape Your Future in Healthcare

Our accredited health and wellness graduate programs will equip you with the knowledge and practical skills needed to adopt Eastern methods into mainstream Western medicine in the outpatient setting. We offer four innovative graduate programs:

Master of Integrative Healthcare Leadership – Online

Gain the knowledge and hands-on training to design and maintain exceptional and innovative wellness programs for companies, hospitals, and health centers.

Master of Integrative Wellness Management - Hybrid

Prepare to lead in this exciting field. Future healthcare and wellness administrators leave this program deeply knowledgeable about the theories and practices behind acupuncture, wellness, and management.

Master of Acupuncture & Oriental Medicine (MAOM) - Hybrid

Prepare for a career as a licensed acupuncturist in one of the top programs of its kind in the U.S. Gain knowledge in holistic medicine, natural health, and overall wellness from the Traditional Chinese Medicine (TCM) perspective. This program is also offered as a dual degree with a Doctor of Acupuncture & Chinese Medicine.

Doctor of Acupuncture & Chinese Medicine (DACM) - Hybrid

Along with acupuncture and herbology, study and train in the areas of tai-chi and qi-gong, tui-na (Oriental bodywork), biomedical sciences, integrative medicine, clinical medicine, and more in one of the most comprehensive and specialized programs in the country.

Ready to apply? Visit www.acaom.edu.

28+

YEARS OF GRADUATING
HEALTH AND WELLNESS
PRACTITIONERS

6+

CLINIC LOCATIONS

90+

CONDITIONS TREATED
IN ACAOM CLINIC



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The breadth of knowledge and experience of the professors is a great strength of ACAOM. They bring real-world accounts of various conditions into the classroom and show us how to treat patients that present with complex or perplexing conditions.”

– Carlton Lewis, M.D.
Student, MAOM Program

Hands-On Learning

The very nature of holistic medicine means you'll receive plenty of hands-on experience during your time at ACAOM.

Gain real-world practice. Supervised clinical training challenges you to become a self-motivated, ethical, independent practitioner. Not only does this time provide you hands-on experience with high-quality, thoughtful, and clinically appropriate treatments, but as you work one-on-one with patients, you'll also develop communication skills and become seasoned in best practices in patient safety.

Go above and beyond. Licensure in the field requires 350 patient visits and 1,000+ hours of internship experience. Our students, however, exceed these expectations, typically serving 450 or more patients.

The result. On average, our students have a high national board exam passing rate and graduate placement rate, and our graduates report being well prepared for practice.

Learn Industry Standards and Best Practices

ACAOM is the only accredited traditional Chinese medicine college in Houston and one of the few that is regionally accredited in the U.S.

- Accreditation Commission for Acupuncture and Oriental Medicine
- Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges

Benefit from Community Partnerships

6+ Clinics. We offer our local community affordable, effective healthcare services while giving our students a chance to develop their skills and broadening the body of TCM research.

Extensive Partnerships. Our relationships with hospitals, clinics, private practices, and educational institutions in the U.S. and beyond provide our students access to internships and other unique opportunities. We have extensive collaboration experience including current and previous collaborations with the following organizations:

- Houston Methodist Hospital System
- Memorial Hermann Healthcare System
- Baylor College of Medicine
- University of Houston
- Rice University
- MD Anderson Cancer Center

Immerse Yourself in Eastern Culture

Study Abroad. Studying in China or Taiwan provides a perfect setting to gain hands-on experience in the ancient healing arts. Through partnerships with major TCM universities in Asia, you'll work two to three weeks in a hospital environment alongside premier acupuncturists in the land where acupuncture originated. Our sister schools include:

- China Academy of Chinese Medical Sciences
- Tianjin University of Traditional Chinese Medicine
- Taipei Medical University
- And many more

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ACAOM's collaborations are extensive—ranging from hospitals and academic institutions to international sister schools. These distinguished partnerships allow for unparalleled learning opportunities for our students and exposure to best practices around the world, which are then implemented into our programs.”

– John Paul Liang,
Ph.D., M.S.O.M., L.Ac
President, ACAOM

350+
TYPICAL NUMBER OF
PATIENT VISITS

1K+
CLINICAL TRAINING
HOURS



Our students are very diverse with all kinds of personal and professional backgrounds, but with the same intention: To be great TCM healers to serve our society.”

– Charles Chen, D.A.O.M., L.Ac.
Professor

When you earn your master’s or doctorate from ACAOM, you’ll join a growing family of alumni full of professionals who are making an impact in communities around the world.

Our rigorous curriculum coupled with rich hands-on experiences leaves our students well-equipped to pass national exams—and qualified to find meaningful, rewarding work in many holistic and healthcare settings:

- Hospitals
- Clinics
- Natural health centers
- Group and private practices
- Community acupuncture programs
- Treatment and recovery facilities
- Athletic organizations
- Hospitality industry

Additionally, many of our entrepreneurial students begin and manage their own private practice.

16%

ESTIMATED JOB GROWTH
IN HEALTH & WELLNESS IN
THE NEXT DECADE

– U.S. Department of Labor

“EXCELLENT”
JOB OUTLOOK FOR
ACUPUNCTURE/ORIENTAL
MEDICINE (AOM)

– ExploreHealthCare.org

Invest in Your Future...

An advanced degree from ACAOM is a smart investment in yourself, your career, and your future.

You’ll find incredible value in an ACAOM education as you increase your knowledge, build professional skills, and grow your network. These experiences boost your earning power in one of the fastest growing segments in healthcare.

...We’re Invested in You.

At ACAOM, we invest in our students’ success in many ways, starting with an affordable, high-value tuition. Based upon your individual needs and eligibility, you may also find support through **federal financial aid, scholarship opportunities, and assistance with veteran’s benefits.**

Our financial aid team is here to help make your advanced degree possible.





**“FASTEST
GROWING”
CITY IN AMERICA**

- Forbes

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**BEST PLACES TO
LIVE IN THE U.S.**

- Business Insider

**“FRIENDLIEST”
CITY IN AMERICA**

- Travel & Leisure

In the Heart of Texas

ACAOM is located in the heart of Houston, Texas. America’s fourth-largest city, Houston is a thriving metropolis, home to international companies, world-class arts, shopping, dining, and nightlife. A stand-out city for higher education and advanced healthcare, the greater Houston area boasts 14 major institutions of higher learning, including two medical schools. **ACAOM is the only traditional Chinese medicine school in Houston—and one of the few that is regionally accredited in the U.S.**

The Texas spirit is alive and well in our city and in our people. Whether you already live nearby or you’re planning to relocate to our city, you’ll feel at home in Houston and on our campus.

Visit Us

We warmly invite you to experience ACAOM for yourself.

When you do, you’ll have options to:

- Tour our campus
- Sit in on a class
- Talk with a professor
- Meet current students and alumni
- Discuss program options with our admissions staff
- Try out a complimentary treatment in our clinic

To learn more about our programs, request additional information, or schedule a tour, visit acaom.edu, call **713.780.9777** or email admissions@acaom.edu.

ACAOM offers a graduate program that is just right for *you*.

Meaningful. Preparation for a healing and helping profession.

Hands on. World-class clinics and partnerships with top hospitals.

Affordable. Low tuition rate with scholarships and payment plans available.

Flexible. Part-time/full-time, day/evening, and on-campus/online classes.

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APPLICATION & ADMISSION PROCESS

Take the Next Steps to Shape Your Future in Healthcare.

Applying to ACAOM: Here's What You Need to Know

We're excited you're interested in applying to American College of Acupuncture & Oriental Medicine (ACAOM). This sheet provides an overview of admissions requirements, tuition and scholarship information, and an easy application checklist to guide you through the process.

Our Programs

We offer four in-demand, accredited graduate programs:

- Master of Integrative Wellness Management (MIWM)
- Master of Integrative Healthcare Leadership (MIHL)
- Master of Acupuncture & Oriental Medicine (MAOM)
- Master of Acupuncture & Oriental Medicine / Doctor of Acupuncture & Chinese Medicine (MAOM/DACM Dual Degree)

Program Admissions Requirements, Tuition & Duration

Degree Program	Minimum Requirements*	Tuition by Credit Hour**	Credit Hours Needed^	Typical Completion Time^
MIWM	Bachelor's degree 2.5 GPA	\$432	36	One year
MIHL	Bachelor's degree 3.0 GPA	\$432	36	One year
MAOM	Bachelor's degree 2.5 GPA	\$432	163	Four years
MAOM/DACM Dual Degree	Bachelor's degree 3.0 GPA	\$432	171	Four years

* Please ask your admissions representative about any other specific or alternate admissions requirements for each degree.

** Fees not included; tuition and fees subject to change.

^ Total credits required and completion time may vary; for example, transferring in credits may reduce the number of courses needed at ACAOM, or attending part-time may take longer than going full-time.

Scholarships & Financial Aid

ACAOM invests in your future with a wide variety of scholarships and aid.

- Generous ACAOM merit scholarships
- External scholarship opportunities
- Payment plan options
- Federal financial aid
- VA benefits accepted

Ready to apply?

*Call us at 713.780.9777
or 1.800.729.4456.*

*Or email us at
admissions@acaom.edu.*

How to Apply

Your Application Checklist

We make it easy to apply to ACAOM. Most of the application items can be completed or provided online or sent to us by email. An application for admission for domestic and international students includes:

- Completed online application
- Two recent passport-size photos
- Official transcripts of colleges attended*
- A one-page personal statement
- Two letters of recommendation
- Copy of valid personal identification
- \$100, non-refundable application fee

*Official transcripts should be mailed to Office of Admissions, ACAOM, 9100 Park West Drive, Houston, TX, 77063.

A professional course-by-course evaluation may be needed if a degree is earned outside of the U.S. (including non-international students). Services such as wes.org, spantran.com or gceus.com may be used.

If you plan to apply for federal financial aid, complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) at fafsa.ed.gov. Use ACAOM code 031533.

International Students

In addition to the items above, please also provide:

- Proof of financial responsibility
- Proof of English proficiency (applies to MAOM/DACM, if degree is obtained outside of U.S.)

Visit acaom.edu for online application and application details.

Scholarship and Application Deadlines

Please be sure to check acaom.edu for application deadlines as they occur at different times throughout the year.

Acceptance to ACAOM

Once all required documents are submitted, we will inform you of acceptance and next steps within two weeks.

ACAOM cannot guarantee that applications with a criminal history will be granted a state license. To determine eligibility, contact the state medical or acupuncture licensing board in your jurisdiction for complete information on requirements and restrictions.



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DUAL DEGREE

Master of Acupuncture & Oriental Medicine/ Doctor of Acupuncture & Chinese Medicine

Become a skilled, licensed natural health practitioner.

Choose a Field that is Changing Healthcare

The face of healthcare is changing. With healthcare costs increasing and patients seeking alternative practices to treat pain and other ailments, hospitals and outpatient care facilities are integrating acupuncture and Oriental medicine into their practice. As this field continues to grow, the need for qualified practitioners has only increased.

One of the most comprehensive programs in the country, the MAOM/DACM Dual Degree program will provide you with the expertise and experience to thrive in this growing healthcare field. This program will give you a solid foundation in acupuncture, herbology, and biomedicine while keeping a practical focus on assessment, treatment, management, and patient care.

What You Can Do with Your MAOM/DACM Dual Degree

As a licensed acupuncturist and Oriental medicine practitioner, you'll have the expertise to work in hospitals, clinics, private practice, wellness centers, and other healthcare settings.

MAOM/DACM Dual Degree Program Highlights

- 171 total credits with a Master's degree embedded
- Full/part-time and day/evening options
- 6 clinical sites, including rotation option at Houston Methodist Hospital (when available)
- Short-term study abroad option at one of eight sister schools in Asia
- Above average board exam pass rate
- High job placement rate

Gain Deep Expertise and Experience

Learn acupuncture and herbology along with tai-chi and qi-gong, biomedical sciences, and integrated medicine. Acquire deep hands-on, practical experience through clinical rotations and internships.

Licensure in the field requires 350 patient visits and 1,000+ hours of internship experience. Our students, however, exceed these expectations, typically serving 450 or more patients and clocking in significantly more than the required time.

The Result

On average, our students have a much higher national board exam passing rate, high graduate placement rate, and our graduates report being well prepared for practice.



MAOM/DACM Dual Degree Curriculum

Courses include:

- Foundations of Traditional Chinese Medicine
- History of Medicine
- Tai-Chi and Qi-Gong
- Herbal Prescription
- Western Medical Lab & Imaging
- Food Therapy
- Acupressure
- Psychology
- Clinic Management

Interested in advancing your career in holistic healing?

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Or contact our admissions office at 713-780-9777 or by email at admissions@acaom.edu.

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Based in Houston, Texas, American College of Acupuncture & Oriental Medicine offers graduate degree programs for individuals interested in pursuing alternative medicine and wellness. ACAOM, one of the few regionally accredited acupunctures schools in the country, has partnerships with local healthcare providers as well as sister schools in China and Taiwan.

Accreditation

MAOM/DACM Dual Degree program is accredited by Accreditation Commission for Acupuncture & Oriental Medicine, the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges and approved by the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board.



I chose ACAOM and the MAOM/DACM Dual Degree program because I wanted to learn a more holistic way of treating patients. Having worked in primary and ancillary medicine for over 20 years, I feel this program is more aligned with what medicine should look like.”

– Alan Corder
ACAOM Student



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100% ONLINE

Master of Integrative Healthcare Leadership

Become a leader in holistic health.

Corporations and organizations of all kinds are increasingly investing in health and wellness—from in-house fitness centers to preventative health education. With an advanced degree in healthcare leadership, you can be a part of those positive health and cost-savings changes for hospitals, health centers, schools, and companies.

Lead a Growing Field in Health and Healing

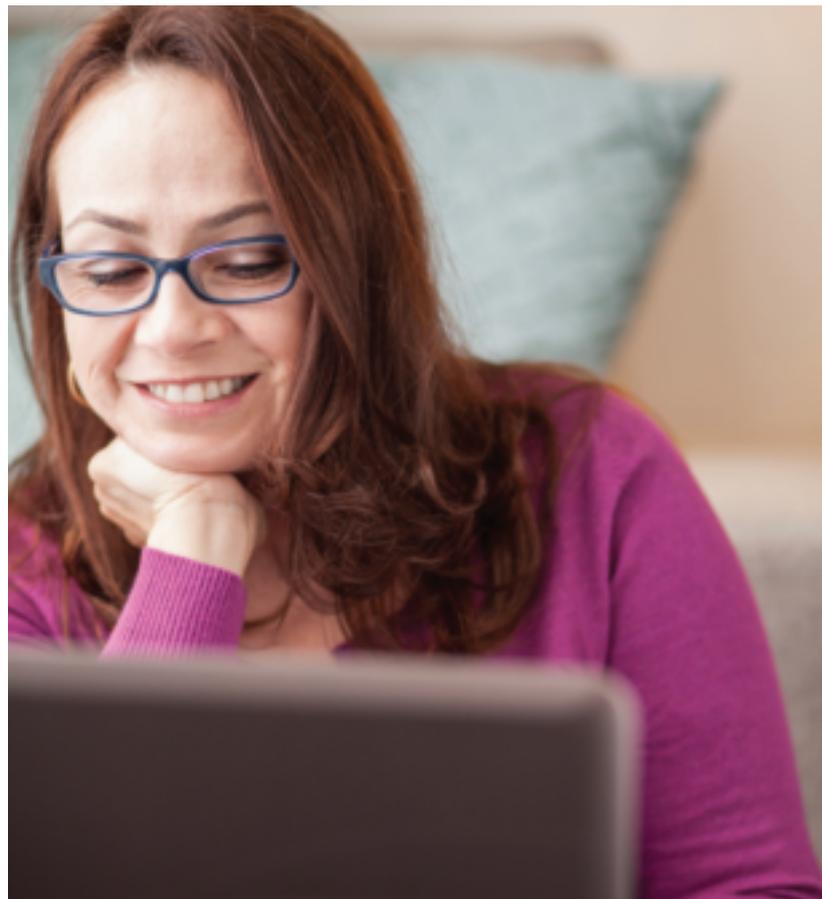
The 100-percent online Master of Integrative Healthcare Leadership (MIHL) will prepare you for a rewarding career in healthcare administration. You'll focus on classic Chinese medicine and public health, as well as hone management and leadership skills. With a mix of theory and hands-on learning, you'll leave this program well-equipped to guide an organization's health promotion efforts.

What You Can Do with Your MIHL Degree

By earning this professional degree you'll stand out in the wellness field and be qualified to serve as a leader in the industry. You'll find work at hospitals, healthcare centers, schools, and companies.

MIHL Program At-a-Glance

- 100% online
- 36 credit hours
- 3-semester fast-track option
- Clinical experience and internships
- Full/part-time and day/evening options
- High job placement rate



MIHL Curriculum

Courses include:

- Foundation of Traditional Chinese Medicine (TCM)
- Integrative Wellness
- History of Medicine
- Health Promotion
- Physical Activity & Stress Management
- Herbal Pharmacy Management
- Nutrition & Dietetics
- Psychology
- Leadership of Organization
- Emergency Management & Safety

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Accreditation

MIHL program is accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges and approved by the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board.



Helping people achieve optimal health and enhancing their quality of life is what drives me.”

– Carlton Lewis, M.D.
ACAOM Student



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ONLINE & ON CAMPUS

Master of Integrative Wellness Management

Choose a field that promotes health and wellness.

Companies and organizations everywhere are implementing health and wellness programs for their employees. To design, build, manage, and grow these initiatives, it takes someone with a unique blend of practical skills and organizational know-how.

Become a Leader in Wellness Management

A Master of Integrative Wellness Management (MIWM) will prepare you for a career in healthcare administration. You'll learn the foundations of Oriental medicine and wellness, as well as gain management and leadership skills. With a mix of theory and hands-on learning, you'll leave this program with a well-rounded experience that will allow you create and manage organization- or company-wide wellness efforts with a holistic touch.

What You Can Do with Your Degree

By earning this professional degree, you'll stand out in the wellness field and be qualified to serve as a leader in the industry. You can find work at wellness centers, hospitals, schools, and within companies.

MIWM Program At-a-Glance

- Mix of online and on-campus courses available
- 36 credit hours
- 3-semester fast-track option
- Clinical experience and internships
- Full/part-time and day/evening options
- High job placement rate



MIWM Curriculum

Courses include:

- Foundation of Traditional Chinese Medicine (TCM)
- Tai-Chi I
- Health Promotion
- Herbology
- Nutrition & Dietetics
- Psychology
- Acupuncture Techniques & Devices
- Strategic Wellness Management
- Emergency Management & Safety

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I've always wanted to help organizations help their employees get healthy and stay well, so this master's program was such a good fit for me.”

– Nafeesah Abdullah Muhammad
ACAOM Alumni



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