



Application for Admission

Doctoral Professional Track

Doctor of Acupuncture and Herbal Medicine (DAHM)

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Application Checklist

1. Application for admission with \$100.00 non-refundable application fee
2. 700-1000 words essay answering the following questions: *Daoist Traditions is committed to providing the community with Chinese medical care and to graduating practitioners to be the next generation of leaders in the profession. Please tell us about your current practice of Chinese medicine. How do you see a doctoral education in Chinese Medicine impacting your individual practice, your collaboration with other Chinese medicine and Biomedicine practitioners, and your role in advancing the overall profession?* Essays evaluated based on content and standard writing conventions.
3. Copy of valid driver's license or other government issued photo identification.
4. Current 2x2 passport photo (please do not use photo of your actual passport).
5. Official college transcripts showing a minimum of three years and 90 semester credits (135 quarter units) of general education at the baccalaureate level from an institution accredited by an agency recognized by the U.S. Secretary of Education, or an equivalent international entity. *Sent directly to Daoist Traditions from the institution.*
6. Graduates from other master's level programs: Official transcripts showing satisfactory completion of an ACAHM accredited/pre-accredited program. Applicants must have completed a master's level acupuncture and Chinese herbal medicine program, [or acupuncture program and Chinese Herbal Medicine Certificate program]. Transcripts must be sent directly to Daoist Traditions from the institution.
7. Documentation of completion of chemistry, biology, and psychology to ensure readiness for doctoral-level coursework.
Biology and Psychology – Met by one of the following: 1) Completion of courses in undergraduate education. Transcripts must be sent directly to Daoist Traditions from the institution; 2) Completion of College-level Examination Placement (CLEP) or American Council on Education (ACE) credit courses with the minimum credit-granting scores achieved. Scores must be sent directly to Daoist Traditions from the College Board; or 3) Completion of the following professional-level certificate courses via [coursera.org](https://www.coursera.org): The Little Stuff - Energy, Cells and Genetics (University of Colorado Boulder); and Introduction to Psychology (Yale University). Certificates of completion/transcripts must be forwarded to Daoist Traditions.

Chemistry - Met by one of the following: 1) Completion of courses in undergraduate education. Transcripts must be sent directly to Daoist Traditions from the institution; 2) Completion of College-level Examination Placement (CLEP) or American Council on Education (ACE) credit courses with the minimum credit-granting scores achieved. Scores must be sent directly to Daoist Traditions from the College Board; 3) Completion of the following professional-level certificate course via [coursera.org](https://www.coursera.org). Introduction to Chemistry: Reactions and Ratios (Duke University). Certificate of completion/transcript must be forwarded to Daoist Traditions; or 4) Completion of Daoist Traditions asynchronous online course. Must be completed during semester 1 (summer).
8. Current curriculum vitae (CV).
9. Letter of reference from a person with whom you have a professional relationship, i.e. employer/teacher addressing your ability to be effective in a professional setting, commitment to personal endeavors, integrity, maturity level, and healing presence. *Sent directly to Daoist Traditions from the reference.*
10. Photocopy of current acupuncture license or NCBAHM certification (if completed).
11. Current CPR and First Aid Certification
12. English Language Competency Exam scores (if applicable).

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Applicant Name: (last, first, middle) _____ **Preferred Name:** _____

Date of Birth: _____ **Social Security #:** _____

Street: _____ **City:** _____ **State:** _____ **Zip:** _____

Phone: _____ **Email:** _____

Undergraduate Education

College/University: _____

Degree(s): _____ Dates Attended: _____

If no degree was awarded, please indicate the approximate number of credits earned: _____

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Degree(s): _____ Dates Attended: _____

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Acupuncture and Chinese Medicine Education

College/University: _____

Degree(s): _____ Graduation Date: _____

Are you currently practicing Chinese medicine? ☐ Yes ☐ Not currently practicing

How do you plan to pay for tuition?

☐ Savings ☐ Employment ☐ Federal Financial Aid ☐ Vocational Rehabilitation ☐ Veterans Benefits ☐ Family Member ☐ Other

Ethnic information (U.S. Citizens only, for government statistical purposes)

☐ Asian ☐ Hispanic/Latino ☐ American Indian or Alaska Native ☐ Black or African American
☐ White ☐ Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander ☐ Two or more races ☐ Race/ethnicity unknown

Have you ever had a license, certificate, or credential revoked or suspended? ☐ Yes ☐ No If yes, please attach explanation.

Have you ever been convicted of a felony? ☐ Yes ☐ No If yes, please attach explanation.

In case of emergency, notify: Name: _____ Relationship: _____ Phone: _____

English Language Competency: All applicants must demonstrate English language competency.

Which of the following have you completed? Check all that apply.

- ☐ four years at a U.S. high school demonstrably delivered in English;
- ☐ at least two years (60 semester/90 quarter credits) of undergraduate or graduate-level education in an institution accredited by an agency recognized by the U.S. Secretary of Education;
- ☐ at least two years (60 semester/90 quarter credits) of undergraduate or graduate-level education demonstrably delivered in English;
- ☐ high school or two years (60 semester/90 quarter credits) of undergraduate- or graduate level education in an institution in one of the following countries or territories: American Samoa; Anguilla; Antigua & Barbuda; Australia; Bahamas; Barbados; Belize; Bermuda; Botswana; British Virgin Islands; Cameroon; Canada (except Quebec); Cayman Islands; Christmas Island; Cook Islands; Dominica; Federated States of Micronesia; Fiji; The Gambia; Ghana; Gibraltar; Grenada; Guam; Guyana; Ireland; Isle of Man; Jamaica; Kenya; Lesotho; Liberia; Malawi; Montserrat; Namibia; New Zealand; Nigeria; Norfolk Island; Papua New Guinea; Philippines; Pitcairn Islands; Sierra Leone; Singapore; South Africa; South Sudan; St. Helena; St. Kitts & Nevis; St. Lucia; St. Vincent & the Grenadines; Swaziland; Tanzania; Trinidad and Tobago; Turks and Caicos Islands; United Kingdom; U.S. Virgin Islands; Uganda; Zambia; Zimbabwe.

Do you speak and write English fluently? ☐ Yes ☐ No *If no, please indicate if you have completed one of the following:*

- ☐ Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) ☐ Cambridge First Certificate in English (FCE) ☐ Duolingo English Test
- ☐ International English Language Test (IELTS) ☐ Cambridge English Advanced (CAE) ☐ Occupational English Test (OET)
- ☐ China Standard of English Language (CSE) ☐ Common European Framework Ref (CEFR) ☐ Pearson Test of English (PTE)

I hereby certify that all information provided is accurate and complete. I understand that completion of this application does not constitute admission to Daoist Traditions.

Applicant Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

Additional Admissions Information

The admissions process includes a comprehensive analysis of master's level transcripts to ensure that applicable coursework is equivalent to the published Daoist Traditions master's degree program content knowledge and competencies.

Upon acceptance, applicants from other master's level programs must:

- 1) complete a written assessment to confirm masters level content knowledge;
- 2) review a series of videos and complete online assessments on the acupuncture channel systems; and
- 3) review a video and complete an online assessment on research basics, if a college-level research class was not previously completed.

Daoist Traditions alumni who graduated from the master's program more than 5 years prior to entering the doctoral program must complete a written assessment to demonstrate retention of content knowledge and professional competencies.

Return application materials to:

**Daoist Traditions College
Admissions Office
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