



Application for Admission

Doctor of Acupuncture and Herbal Medicine (DAHM)

Professional Track

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Doctor of Acupuncture and Herbal Medicine (DAHM) Professional Track - 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. DAHM Professional Track applicants must have completed undergraduate or professional-level courses in chemistry, biology, and psychology to ensure readiness for doctoral-level coursework.
Biology and Psychology - These requirements may be met by one of the following means:
 - Completion of courses in undergraduate education. Transcripts must be sent directly to Daoist Traditions from the institution;
 - 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 Academic Catalog 2025-2026 23
 - Completion of the following professional-level certificate courses, via coursera.org, a massive open online course (MOOC) provider: 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* - This requirement may be met by one of the following means:
 - Completion of courses in undergraduate education. Transcripts must be sent directly to Daoist Traditions from the institution;
 - 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; • Completion of the following professional-level certificate courses, via coursera.org, a massive open online course (MOOC) provider: Introduction to Chemistry: Reactions and Ratios (Duke University). Certificate of completion/transcript must be forwarded to Daoist Traditions; or
 - Completion of courses at Daoist Traditions. Offered as asynchronous online courses that must be completed during semester 1 (summer). See tuition/fees list.
7. Current curriculum vitae (CV)
8. 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.*
9. Photocopy of current acupuncture license or NCCAOM certification (if completed)
10. *Graduates from other master's level programs:* Official transcripts(s) showing satisfactory completion of a masters-level acupuncture and Chinese herbal medicine program, [*or* masters level acupuncture program and Chinese Herbal Medicine Certificate program], from an ACAHM accredited /pre-accredited program or institution. *Sent directly to Daoist Traditions from the institution. Refer to our website for information on transcripts from foreign institutions.*
11. English Language Competency Exam scores (if applicable)

Additional 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 MAHM content knowledge and professional competencies.

Daoist Traditions MAHM Alumni: Those who graduated more than 5 years prior to entering the DAHM program must complete a written assessment to demonstrate retention of the content knowledge and professional competencies of the MAHM program.

Applicants from other masters level programs must: 1) complete a written assessment to demonstrate attainment and retention of the Daoist Traditions masters level content knowledge and professional competencies; 2) review a series of videos and complete online assessments on the acupuncture channel systems of Sinew Meridians, Eight Extraordinary Vessels, Luo Vessels, and Divergent Meridians; and 3) review a video and complete an online assessment on research basics, if a college-level research class was not previously completed. *These are not courses, rather you will complete an online assessment.*

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Applicant Name: (last, first, middle) _____

Preferred Name: _____

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

Mailing Address *For school correspondence*

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: _____

College/University: _____

Degree(s): _____ Dates Attended: _____

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

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 Two or more races Race/ethnicity unknown Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander

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)

Scores must be submitted with your application packet.

Certification and Signature

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:** _____

How did you hear about Daoist Traditions DAHM program? Check all that apply.

- DT Student DT Clinic Local Awareness Jeffrey Yuen Classes
- Print Ad Open House Event General OM/Healthcare Research Acupuncturist/Health Professional

Please share your specific referral source: _____

Mail your application and other documents to:

Daoist Traditions College, Admissions Office, 382 Montford Avenue, Asheville NC 28801