

# EARN YOUR DOCTORATE

## In Pacific College's Transitional DACM or DAc



### TRANSITIONAL DOCTORATE NOW OPEN TO ALL QUALIFIED ACUPUNCTURE GRADUATES

All classes offered online. No travel to campus is required.  
Can be completed in as few as two semesters.

- Candidates who enter with a master's in Oriental Medicine or the equivalent will earn the transitional Doctorate of Acupuncture and Chinese Medicine (DACM), while those entering with a master's in acupuncture or the equivalent will earn the transitional Doctorate of Acupuncture (DAc).
- Integrative medicine focus, based on 28 entry-level doctoral competencies.
- Tuition currently ranges from \$7,395 to \$9,570 dependent on transfer credits. Most Pacific College graduates will receive transfer credit.
- Pacific College's accreditor, WSCUC, has approved the transitional doctorate.
- Financial aid available, for those who qualify.



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From the earliest discussions on the entry-level or first professional doctorate (FPD), Pacific College stated that no master's graduate should be left behind. **Each of you deserves an opportunity to bridge the gap between your master's training and the new doctorate.** Upon completion of this program, you will earn degree parity with entry-level doctoral graduates, just like your colleagues in physical therapy, occupational therapy, and other professions, who have already been offered such pathways.

**Pacific College is proud to be at the forefront of entry-level doctoral education for new students.** And now with this program, we provide the same opportunity for you, the pioneers and experienced practitioners in our field.

## Welcome to The Next Step in Acupuncture Education

While you gain in-depth knowledge of the modern healthcare system, integrative diagnosis and treatment, state-of-the-art research, and refinements to your Chinese medicine skills, **we will help you expand your career opportunities as an active part of the integrative healthcare movement.** Along the way, we will introduce you to the most innovative and successful acupuncturists in the world today to gain insight from their experience.

This curriculum, based on 28 entry-level doctoral competencies, was developed by doctoral educators, subject matter experts, and experienced distance education designers. **Each aspect of the program has been scrutinized and approved by our regional accreditor, WSCUC,** one of the country's most prestigious accreditation agencies. The online delivery method has withstood the test of time for more than six years in our undergraduate degrees and post-graduate DAOM. It has been embraced by students at all levels of computer literacy. The curriculum has been refined by attention to student feedback since 2015. The continued development of this program will be a collaborative effort with you, **as we forge the future of our medicine together.**

### PRE- AND CO-REQUISITES

- 90 semester units of undergraduate coursework; PCOM undergraduate massage program courses may be used.
- Proof of experience in the form of state licensure, NCCAOM certification, or a documented acupuncture practice.

Contact a student advisor for the wide variety of ways to meet the pre- or co-requisites. Following application, non-PCOM graduates will start the admissions process with a comparison of their master's curriculum to PCOM's.

### MODEL CURRICULUM

Term 1	Units	Hours
Foundations of Evidence-Informed Practice	3	45
Inter-Professional Communication	1	15
Healthcare Systems	3	45
Preventive Medicine and Public Health	2	30
Advanced Integrative Diagnostics	3	45

Term 2	Units	Hours
Applications of Inter-Professional Communication	2	60
Integrative Case Management	3	45
Practice-Based Learning	3	45
Integrative Pain Management	2	30
<b>Program Total:</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>360</b>