Program At a Glance

Program Length: 1,223 hours / 32 modules / approximately 2.5 years
Credits: 50.5
Didactic Hours: 563
Clinical Hours: 660
Specialties: TCM Gynecology and TCM Pain Management
Language: English
Format: Modular-based, once a month for 4 days, Friday - Monday
Location: San Francisco with externship opportunities nationwide and in China
Applications: accepted year-round
Federal Financial Aid Available
Program start dates: May and September

DAOM Course List
TCM Gynecology I-VIII
TCM Pain Management I-VIII
Advanced Physical Assessment
Western Gynecology
Advanced Herbal Drug Interaction
Integrative Clinic Setting
Healthcare Practitioners and Systems
Immunology and Oncology
Environmental Medicine
Western Herbs and Supplements
Dietary Therapy to Reduce Inflammation
Lifestyle and Diet
TCM Dermatology
Clinical Quantitative Research
Clinical Research and Public Health
Case Study Writing
Capstone Writing
Capstone Independent Study
Clinical Case Study
Clinical Observation
Clinical Internships
Clinical Extremity I - II

What Our Alumni Say About Our Program
"Being in the DAOM program enhanced my practice with new needling techniques and advanced herbal formulas, and also taught me the essence of Chinese classical literature while deepening my understanding of integrated medicine from both a Western and Eastern viewpoint."
-Pamela Lee, DAOM, MSTCM, LAc

"I chose ACTCM after visiting several other schools because the DAOM program most embodied the academic excellence of a Chinese medicine doctoral program, and provided a dynamic national and International externship program."
-Devin Wu, DAOM, PT, LAc

"I love the fact that the DAOM program attracts both students and faculty from around the country. This diverse group brings new perspectives about TCM, as well as all of their cumulative experiences, to each and every class. Whether it is a new technique, an ancient formula, or just a different way to gather the bigger picture, this program influences my practice in a very positive way."
-Jaime M. Hampton, DAOM, MSTCM, LAc

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Contact us to attend one of our Open Houses or to become a Student For a Day at our campus: www.actcm.edu/daom.

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A DAOM program that prepares practitioners for the future

ACTCM’s DAOM program is designed for experienced acupuncturists who wish to deepen their knowledge base and practice, and specialize in TCM Pain Management or TCM Gynecology. Students and faculty join together in a collegiate atmosphere at our San Francisco campus in 4-day modules once a month from Friday through Monday. This format accommodates professional schedules and allows practitioners to apply new knowledge to their clinical practices immediately. Doctoral candidates also expand their education with diverse externships, capstone projects, research, and case studies that offer in-depth study.

Geared to accommodate shifts and trends in the Chinese medicine field, the DAOM program offers students the opportunity to grow as practitioners and learn about the use of acupuncture in new and diverse contexts. All of our DAOM coursework is approved by and applicable to the American Board of Reproductive Medicine (ABORM) certification, and the American Academy of Pain Management credential.

Observation & Externship Sites

Students complete their observation and externship hours at hospitals, outpatient clinics, research institutions, and private practices that ACTCM maintains partnerships with, including:

- National Institutes of Health (NIH) Pain & Palliative Care Center, Bethesda, MD
- The Block Center for Integrative Cancer Treatment, Skokie, IL
- Stram Center for Integrative Medicine, Delmar, NY
- Cancer Treatment Centers of America, Tulsa OK
- Lutheran Medical Center, Brooklyn, NY
- Zhejiang Chinese Medical University, Hangzhou, China

Students also have the option of participating in one-month externships at Hannan College in China. A limited number of scholarships are available for this opportunity.

Scholarship & Research

ACTCM doctoral candidates complete in-depth capstone projects that entail research, case study writing, clinical research design, and presentations. Examples of DAOM academic research topics include:

- The Role of Traditional Chinese Medicine in Integrative Oncology, Bianca Di Giulio, 2015
- Acupuncture and Moxibustion to Improve IVF Rates, Michael Fiorani, 2014
- Leaving Shoes At The Door: An Invitation to Explore Infertility Treatments in a Japanese Acupuncture Clinic, Cameron Bishop, 2012
- A Randomized Controlled Trial of Acupuncture for Initiation of Labor in Nulliparous Women at Term, Including Pre-Birth Treatments 2-3 Weeks

To view a list of our academic research projects visit: www.actcm.edu/daom/research

DAOM Faculty

Our rotating class instructors and adjunct faculty represent a wide variety of expertise and work in private practices, hospitals, community health clinics, research settings, and hospital outpatient clinics. Trained abroad and in the U.S., they are leaders in the field and consist of seasoned practitioners, academics, and scholars.

- Yeneng Chen, PhD, Dipl.O.M, Lac, FCAE
  - Pain Management
- Erline Chang, DAOM, Lac
  - TCM Gynecology/Women’s Health/ Cancer
- Claudia Citovery, Lac
  - TCM Gynecology/Women’s Health
- Misha R. Cohen, OMD, Lac
  - TCM Gynecology/Women’s Health
- Andrew Fitzcharles, MStCM, Lac
  - TCM Pain Management/Japanese Acupuncture
- Steve Givens, DAOM, Lac
  - Immunology/Oncology
- Elizabeth A. Goldblatt, PhD, MPA/HA
  - Integrative Medicine/Integrated Clinic Settings
- Jason J. Hae, DOM, Lac
  - TCM Pain Management/TCM Neurology
- Naemi Jay, PhD, NP
  - Western Gynecology
- Daniel Jiao, DAOM, Lac
  - TCM Gynecology/Women’s Health
- Hong Jin, DAOM, Lac
  - TCM Gynecology/Women’s Health
- Raven Lang, MS, Lac
  - TCM Gynecology/Obstetrics/Pediatrics
- Liding Lao, PhD, MB/BS, Lac
  - Research
- Dave Liu, PhD, MStCM, MB/BS, Lac
  - TCM Gynecology/Women’s Health
- Zheng Hua Liu, PhD, MS, MB/BS, Lac
  - TCM Pain Management/TCM Neurology
- Paul Magarelli, MD, PhD
  - Anatomym, Physiology & Pathology of the Female Reproductive System
- Anita Chen Marshall, DAOM, PharmD, Lac
  - TCM & Western Rx Interactions
- Henry McCann, DAOM, Dipl.O.M, Lac
  - TCM Pain Management
- Aya Nielsen, PhD, Lac
  - Pain Management and Women’s Health
- Lynn Patrick, ND
  - Western Gynecology and Environmental Medicine
- Whitfield Reaves, OMD, Lac
  - TCM Pain Management
- Elisabeth Rochat De La Valle, MCL, MP, DEA
  - Classics
- Sadina Singh, DAOM, MSDM, MB/BS
  - TCM Gynecology/Women’s Health
- George Stetch, DAOM, DN, Lac, DAAPM, DNBQO
  - TCM Pain Management/Advanced Physical Assessment
- Jason Su, DAOM, MB/BS, Lac
  - Classical Schedules in TCM
- Steven Tierney, Ed.D, MA
  - TCM Mental Health
- Carla Wilson, PhD, DAOM, MA, Lac
  - Research & Academic Writing of Case Studies and Capstone Projects
- Ella Woods, DAOM, MStCM, MBA, BS, Lac
  - Lifestyle & Health
- Bingzeng Zou, PhD, DC, MB/BS, Lac
  - TCM Pain Management