

Gainful Employment Disclosures

The American Academy of Acupuncture and Oriental Medicine offers a Master's Degree in Acupuncture and Oriental Medicine, preparing our graduates to be practitioners of acupuncture and Oriental medicine. "Acupuncturist" is a recognized occupation, identified with a Standard Occupational Classification (SOC) code of 29-1199. For an occupational profile of Acupuncturist, please click on the following O*NET link: <http://www.onetonline.org/>

Graduates of AAAOM's Master's degree program are qualified to become licensed acupuncturists in states which license the practice of acupuncture, contingent upon passing comprehensive board exams administered by the National Certification Commission for Acupuncture and Oriental Medicine (NCCAOM), and meeting the requirements of state licensing boards. Candidates who wish to practice in California must pass California's certification board exams.

The Master's degree program at AAAOM is constructed as a four-year, twelve-trimester program for students who are in full-time attendance. The maximum timeframe to complete the program for students who attend less than full-time is eight years/twenty-four trimesters. An "academic year" at AAAOM is three trimesters in attendance. An "award year" as defined by the U.S. Dept. of Education begins on July 1st and runs through June 30th of the subsequent year.

Program cost 2010 – 2011 award year:

- Tuition and fees: \$46,052.
- Room and board: AAAOM is not a resident campus and does not provide room and board for students. Room and board are not considered to be part of the program cost.
- Books and supplies: Students are not required to purchase recommended textbooks or supplies. Since purchase is at the discretion of the student, the cost of books and supplies cannot be accurately included as part of the program cost.

On-Time Completion Rate for Graduates:

AAAOM accepts both part-time and full-time students into its program. Approximately 60% of AAAOM's student body elect to pursue their degree on a part-time basis as they integrate their studies with work and family life. 100% of AAAOM graduates complete their studies within the eight-year maximum timeframe. For the 2010 – 2011 award year, 42% of AAAOM graduates completed the program in the published four-year timeframe defined by USDE as "on-time completion."

Placement Rates for Graduates:

AAAOM defines its "placement rate" in terms of graduates who have become licensed acupuncturists in states which license acupuncture, who are currently working in the health care field, or who are currently pursuing an advanced degree in the field. By these criteria, AAAOM has a placement rate of 95% for its graduates from the 2010-2011 award year.

Median Loan Debt for 2010 – 2011 Graduates:

Median loan debt from Title IV sources: \$41,780.

Median loan debt from private educational loans: \$0

Median loan debt from institutional finance plans: \$0