SUMMARY OF DAOIST TRADITIONS COLLEGE OF CHINESE MEDICAL ARTS PROGRAM REVIEW

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Daoist Traditions College of Chinese Medical Arts, located in Asheville, North Carolina, provides education and training in Acupuncture and Oriental Medicine. Its authority to operate a program in Oriental Medicine was granted in 2003 by the North Carolina Acupuncture Licensing Board (NCALB). Daoist Traditions College awards its graduates a Master's degree in Acupuncture and Oriental Medicine, as authorized by the North Carolina Board of Governors. It currently has about 100 students with a projected maximum of 160 students.

SUMMARY OF PROGRAM SUBMITTED FOR LICENSURE

Professional Doctorate in Chinese Medicine

Staff Recommendation: APPROVAL OF LICENSURE

Program Site: Asheville

Projected start date: May 2018 Projected enrollment: 60

Annual tuition and fees: \$19,620

The Professional Doctorate in Chinese Medicine was developed following the guidelines of the Accreditation Commission for Acupuncture and Oriental Medicine (ACAOM). Students enrolled in the dual degree programs, master and professional doctorate, are required to complete a total of 177.1 semester credits over four years. The courses are in advanced studies (orthopedics, endocrinology and neurology), integration of Chinese and western medicine, and collaboration with other healthcare professionals. The curriculum supports the mission of the school and the educational objectives of the program and either meets or exceeds ACAOM accreditation standards in every area of study.

INSTITUTIONAL METRICS AND CONSUMER PROTECTION INFORMATION¹

Metric	AY 2014	AY 2015	AY 2016
Graduation rate for previously licensed program ⁱⁱ	100%	71%	90%
Employment rate for previously licensed program ⁱⁱⁱ	42%		80%
Student retention rate for previously licensed program ^{iv}	89%	86.8%	91%
Three year cohort default rate ^v	0%	0%	0%

The State Authorization Unit did not receive any consumer complaints for Daoist College during the 2016-2017 academic year of North Carolina. Annual reporting requirements for 2017-2018 will include a requirement to submit internal student complaint logs and resolutions.

SUMMARY OF REQUIREMENTS AND INSTITUTION'S RESPONSE:

After review of the application, the Team of Examiners and State Authorization staff submitted requirements for the institution to address concerning course syllabi, internship assessment, library standards, faculty qualifications, faculty governance, and financial metrics. The institution sufficiently

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responded to staff concerns and will be required to submit evidentiary documentation during the 2017-2018 annual reporting cycle to confirm its continued compliance.

¹ Institutional metrics are self-reported during annual reporting, unless otherwise indicated

[&]quot;Graduation rates are the percentage of students that complete their course of study and graduate within the 4-year standard course of study (4.5-year standard course of study for January starters).

Employment rates are the percentage of graduates from a cohort who have successfully completed the NCCAOM exams and received licensure to practice acupuncture. Data for graduating student employment is collected from alumni, on-line acupuncture registry sites, and practice websites. Info for AY2015 was not provided.

^{iv} Retention rates are the percentage of returning students taking at least 11 credits each Fall, compared with the total school enrollment the previous Fall. Graduated seniors are not deducted from this calculation. Example: FY2017 Retention Rate is the percentage of Fall 2016 matriculating students who continue in the program in Fall 2017. Graduates are counted as retained.

^v Cohort default rate applies to all locations of the institution, as reported to the Integrated Postsecondary Education Data System (IPEDS)