Northwestern Health Sciences University (NWHSU) offers students a foundation in traditional Chinese medical theory combined with the biomedical science necessary for successful practice in the Western world.

The Master of Acupuncture and Doctor of Chinese Medicine degrees prepare you to enter a growing health profession.

Join us and experience the advantages of an education at NWHSU:

- An integrative care environment prepares you for a multidisciplinary care approach
- Unparalleled clinical experiences that begin in the second trimester. Some of your options include:
  - Twin Cities hospitals including a partnership with the University of Minnesota Medical Center and Abbott Northwestern Hospital, the nation’s largest integrative medicine program
  - Long-term care and inpatient rehabilitation centers
  - Inpatient geriatric facilities
  - HIV resource center
  - Pathways Health Crisis Resource Center for patients with chronic or terminal illness
  - Community clinics serving low-income and homeless patients
  - Traditional fee-for-service clinics
- Dual degree option (Bachelor of Science degree in Human Biology)
- Technology-enhanced classrooms, laboratories and clinics, and human cadaver dissection lab
- Faculty from institutions in China, the U.S., and other countries
- Student support services including: free tutoring, extensive library collection, mentoring opportunities, writing center and student organizations

Northwestern Health Sciences University prepares and serves the next generation of professionals and leaders to become vital contributors to the delivery and advancement of health care.

Acupuncture jobs are expected to grow at an impressive rate of 14% between 2019 and 2026.

Source: onetonline.org
Start dates
September, January, and May start dates are available

Program length
- Master of Acupuncture in eight trimesters
- Doctor of Chinese Medicine in 10 trimesters

Admission requirements/prerequisites*
Master of Acupuncture:**
- Minimum of 60 semester credits (90 quarter credits) at the bachelor’s degree level
- Minimum cumulative GPA of at least 2.5 on a 4.0 scale
- Biology (minimum 3 semester credits)
- English (minimum 6 semester credits)
- Psychology (minimum 3 semester credits)
- Humanities and Social Sciences (minimum 15 semester credits)
- Electives (minimum 33 semester credits)

Doctor of Chinese Medicine:**
- Minimum of 90 semester credits (135 quarter credits) at the bachelor’s degree level
- Minimum cumulative GPA of at least 2.75 or higher
- Biology (minimum 3 semester credits)
- English (minimum 6 semester credits)
- Psychology (minimum 3 semester credits)
- Humanities and Social Sciences (minimum 15 semester credits)
- Chemistry (minimum 3 semester credits)
- Electives (minimum 60 semester credits)

Program cost
Tuition per credit hour is $416 for master’s level. $515 for doctorate level.

Available scholarships
nwhealth.edu/financial-aid/grants-scholarships

How to apply
Visit nwhealth.edu/apply

Curriculum Highlights
- A Traditional Chinese Medicine (TCM) educational foundation
- Extensive skills training in needling, herbal studies, tui na medical massage, food therapy and other TCM modalities
- Clinical internship begins in the fifth trimester
- Biomedical education to provide improved patient care and future marketplace and employment opportunities
- Progressive application of research skills in clinic treatment
- Clinical education opportunities are among the most robust offered at the master’s and doctorate levels

Learn more
To learn more about the Acupuncture and Chinese Medicine programs and to schedule a tour, visit nwhealth.edu/acm or contact an admissions counselor:
- admit@nwhealth.edu
- 952-885-5409

Northwestern Health Sciences University is accredited by the Higher Learning Commission (hlcommission.org), a regional accreditation agency recognized by the U.S. Department of Education.

The Acupuncture and Chinese Medicine programs of Northwestern Health Sciences University are accredited under applicable Master’s Degree Standards, by the Accreditation Commission for Acupuncture and Oriental Medicine (ACAOM), the recognized accrediting agency for programs preparing acupuncture and Chinese medicine practitioners.

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*All prerequisite courses must be passed with a grade of C or better.

**Students who meet all other admission requirements except biology, chemistry, and psychology may be conditionally accepted with completion of these courses within the first two terms of the program.