Maryland University of Integrative Health Launches First Doctoral Degrees in January 2015

LAUREL, Md. – Maryland University of Integrative Health (MUIH) has been given approval by the Maryland Higher Education Commission and permission by the Middle States Commission on Higher Education to begin offering three new doctoral programs in January 2015. The professional doctoral degrees are in acupuncture, Oriental medicine and clinical nutrition. Applications for all three programs will be accepted immediately for the January 2015 trimester.

“Approval to offer doctoral degrees in our unique disciplines has long been a dream of Maryland University of Integrative Health,” said Judith Broida, Provost and Executive Vice President of Academic Affairs. “This tremendous achievement is a testament to the vision of our leaders and the steadfast work of our faculty. These programs meet a growing market demand for scientific and compassionate healers in integrative health and MUIH is proud to be a national leader in offering them.”

About the Doctorate in Acupuncture (DAc) and the Doctorate in Oriental Medicine (DOM):

- MUIH will be one of only two accredited acupuncture schools (and the only school east of the Rockies) to offer either of these first professional doctorate where students can enter the program with a just bachelor’s degree;
- Graduates of either program will be able to practice in a number of health settings including hospitals, medical offices, and integrative health practices as well as establish private or shared practices;
- Both programs may be completed on campus in 13 trimesters, or a little more than 4 years.
- MUIH alumni will be able to complete either doctoral degree by transferring their master’s credits and completing an additional 22 credits.

About the Doctorate in Clinical Nutrition (DCN)

- Graduates of this program will be able to work in a number of health and wellness settings, teach at the college level, publish independent research, and serve in leadership positions in the nutrition and health arena;
- The program will be delivered in a hybrid format; over the course of two years, students will complete 42 of the 48 doctoral credits online and study on campus during four weekends for the remaining six credits.
For more information about these programs, visit our [doctoral degrees](http://muih.edu) page.

**About Maryland University of Integrative Health (MUIH)**

Maryland University of Integrative Health, formerly Tai Sophia Institute, is the leading accredited academic institution for integrative health in the nation. For nearly 40 years, MUIH has educated practitioners in health and wellness through transformative and relationship-centered programs that draw from traditional wisdom and contemporary science. MUIH offers graduate degrees and certificates both on campus and online in a wide range of health disciplines, as well as programs for professional and personal development. Currently, more than 1000 students from 30 states are enrolled in academic programs and 1900 alumni practice throughout the nation. The on-campus Natural Care Center offers compassionate and affordable healthcare from student interns and professional practitioners, delivering more than 35,000 clinical treatments a year. Visit [http://muih.edu](http://muih.edu) for more information.

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