The Eastern School of Acupuncture and Traditional Medicine's admissions standards reflect the institution's commitment to maintaining the highest standards of educational excellence. ESATM's commitment is to enroll highly qualified and capable individuals who will become leaders and prominent proponents of the field of acupuncture and traditional medicine.

A completed application includes the following:

1. A completed online application for admissions at www.esatm.edu
2. A non-refundable $50 application fee. Application fee credit card forms are available on www.esatm.edu
3. Applicants to the MSAc program are required to have a minimum of 60 college credits in any subject. The state of NJ requires a bachelor's degree, independent of your acupuncture education to apply for NJ state licensing. NY, PA, and CT do not require a bachelor's degree to obtain licensure. ESATM will accept 60 college credits to enter the program, however, the requirement to receive Financial Aid for the program is 90 credits. Students entering the MSAc program with under 90 credits will not be eligible for financial aid until they achieve a total of 90 credits, comprised of their prior education and their ESATM credits in the MSAc program.
   -Official transcripts from post-secondary institutions must be sent **directly** from the institution to the admissions department.
   -ESATM will review transcripts for eligible transfer credits for courses taken within the past 5 years of entering the MSAc program (if from an ACAHM institution, the limit is 3 years), with a grade of 3.0 or greater, (for applicants without a medical license). Transcripts must be sent for review of courses prior to enrollment.
   -Applicants should provide copies of professional licenses. Professional licenses may include, but are not restricted to M.D., D.C., P.T., R.N., and M.T. **(you are not required to have a medical license to enter the MSAc program)**
   -All post-secondary education outside the US must be evaluated by the **World Education Service (WES)** and sent directly to the admissions department. www.wes.org
4. Applicants must supply three letters of reference from individuals knowledgeable about the applicant's potential for success in a graduate-level academic program. Applicants are encouraged to seek references mainly from health professionals, educators, employers, clients, etc. Please contact the admissions department if you require further information.
5. Applicants must submit a 2-4 page essay stating their interest in the acupuncture field. This essay can be from a professional or personal point of view. If you are going to use references in your essay, please list the references and cite them in the body of the essay.

All applicants under the age of 30 must submit their vaccination records (applicants can utilize a copy of their post-secondary school vaccination records) with their application.

Please note: All prospective students who intend to utilize financial aid are strongly urged to fill out their FAFSA prior to applying to the acupuncture program. Financial Aid information can be found at www.esatm.edu

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