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INSTITUTIONAL COMPONENTS

A. The institution must be a legally organized entity whose primary purpose is to provide graduate education in acupuncture.

B. The institution must be authorized to conduct its operations by recognized state approval agencies, and it must comply with applicable state laws in each state in which it operates.

PROGRAMMATIC COMPONENTS

ALL PROGRAMS

A. The program’s parent institution must be authorized to conduct its operations by recognized state approval agencies and applicable state laws in each state in which it operates.

B. The institution and its ACAOM-accredbitable programs must be authorized by all jurisdictions in which it operates to engage in distance education to the extent such authorization is required.
**Criterion 2.02: ACCREDITATION STATUS OF PARENT INSTITUTION**

**INSTITUTIONAL COMPONENTS**

There are no institutional components for this criterion.

**PROGRAMMATIC COMPONENTS**

**ALL PROGRAMS**

If the program's parent institution is not institutionally accredited by ACAOM, the parent institution must be accredited or pre-accredited by an agency recognized by the U.S. Secretary of Education.

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**Criterion 2.03: DEGREE-GRANTING AUTHORITY**

**INSTITUTIONAL COMPONENTS**

The institution must comply with recognized state approval agencies and relevant state law with respect to the awarding of degrees, diplomas, and certificates.

**PROGRAMMATIC COMPONENTS**

**ALL PROGRAMS**

The program’s parent institution must comply with recognized state approval agencies and relevant state law with respect to the awarding of degrees, diplomas, and certificates.

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**Criterion 2.04: OFF-CAMPUS CONTROL**

**INSTITUTIONAL COMPONENTS**

The institution must assume responsibility for all off-campus educational and co-curricular activities and programs, including activities arranged through agreements with other organizations or individuals.
PROGRAMMATIC COMPONENTS

ALL PROGRAMS

The program's parent institution must assume responsibility for all programmatic, off-campus, educational, and co-curricular activities, including activities arranged through agreements with other organizations or individuals.

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INSTITUTIONAL COMPONENTS

The institution must continuously comply with all relevant federal laws and regulations.

PROGRAMMATIC COMPONENTS

ALL PROGRAMS

The program must continuously comply with all relevant federal laws and regulations.

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INSTITUTIONAL COMPONENTS

The institution must continuously comply with all recognized state approval agencies, and relevant state laws and regulatory requirements, for operation within the state(s) in which it conducts its operations.

PROGRAMMATIC COMPONENTS

ALL PROGRAMS

The program's parent institution must continuously comply with all recognized state approval agencies, and relevant state laws and regulatory requirements, for operation within the state(s) in which it conducts its operations.
Criterion 2.07: COMPLIANCE WITH LOCAL AND MUNICIPAL LAWS, ORDINANCES, AND CODES

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**INSTITUTIONAL COMPONENTS**

The institution must continuously comply with all relevant local and municipal laws, ordinances, codes, and regulatory requirements for operation within the jurisdiction(s) in which it conducts its operations.

**PROGRAMMATIC COMPONENTS**

**ALL PROGRAMS**

The program's parent institution must continuously comply with all relevant local and municipal laws, ordinances, codes, and regulatory requirements for operation within the jurisdiction(s) in which it conducts its operations.