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Diploma in Herbal Studies - Master Herbalist

Program Fact Data

Program Level	01 Undergraduate Certificate
U.S. Department of Labor O*Net Standard Occupational Classification (SOC) Codes and Links to Occupational Profiles	21-1091.00 - Health Educators http://www.onetonline.org/link/summary/21-1091.00
Institutional Accreditation	DEAC: Distance Education Accrediting Commission, http://www.deac.org/
Program Length	60 weeks; 39 semester credits
Total Projected Maximum Cost of Program¹	Registration Fee: \$200.00 Tuition: \$12,675 Books and supplies: \$4,616 Graduation Fee: \$50 Learn more about tuition and fees and ways to lower costs with transfer of credit, challenge exam, and ebook textbook options online at https://achs.edu/admissions/tuition-and-funding/what-does-it-cost .
Median Borrowing	\$28,250 Note: Median borrowing is based on a small sample size in undergraduate programs; actual borrowing rates are typically higher in Title IV eligible programs.
Loan Default Rate	10.9% for students entering repayment in the 2015 fiscal year
Transfer of Credit and Transfer Articulation Agreements with other Institutions	Transfer of Credit Policy: https://www.achs.edu/transfer-credit-procedure Articulation Agreements:

¹ The projected maximum cost includes the registration fee, all required textbooks, graduation application fee and the online ACHS eTextbook. This cost is calculated with the inclusion of all required materials for the courses that represent the greatest outlay for students and does not include any transfer of credit or other cost-savings such as purchasing used textbooks if applicable.

	View current articulation agreements and memorandums of understanding with partner institutions online at: https://www.achs.edu/articulation-agreements
Average time students take to graduate by program and at whole school level	7 months (21 months at whole institutional level across all programs)
Graduation Rate 2014 Cohort	71% (Students still studying excluded)
Job Placement Rate 2014 Cohort	60% - Of 5 graduates: 3 are employed in a related field, 1 is unemployed, and 1 declined to provide information.
Median Starting Salary for Graduates 2014 Cohort	\$11,000 This data includes median salary for graduates employed in a related field. Note: 1 of the graduates declined to provide salary information.
Gainful Employment results as outlined under U.S. Department of Education Accountability metrics	Not applicable – This program became eligible for federal financial student loans for qualifying students in July 2017, therefore, there are no Title IV students who completed the program during the current reporting period.
State Licensing Requirements	<p>If you are interested in pursuing a career in the health and wellness industry, you should consult with the appropriate state board to assure that your credentials will allow you to achieve your professional goals.</p> <p>An herbal studies/herbal medicine certificate, diploma or degree provides graduates with useful skills that may enhance a current career path or offer opportunity to work in the holistic health community, however, graduation from an herbalism program does not convey any sort of license to practice. Currently, there are no licensing requirements for herbalists in the United States. There are membership and registration options in the industry and these can be reviewed online at achs.edu. Additionally, herbalists should be cautious in claiming to treat, diagnose, or cure any illness, because doing so may be considered practicing medicine without a license and a violation of State Medical Practice Acts. Prior to enrollment, students are solely responsible for confirming that the certificate, diploma or degree program in which they enroll will meet their personal and career objectives.</p> <p>Learn more about ACHS Alumni in Action online at https://www.achs.edu/alumni/in-action.</p>