

San Jose Campus

San Jose California

In the heart of Silicon Valley, the mecca of high tech, San Jose is part of a contemporary, high-tech metropolis, home to major players in the world of technology including Google, eBay, Twitter and Facebook. It is the largest city in Northern California, with a population over one million. Attracted by mild Mediterranean weather and high wages, people from around the world have made their home in San Jose, creating the most ethnically diverse city in the nation. Add a low crime rate and a spacious, wide open feeling and you have one of the most livable, family-friendly locations in the west. The San Jose International Airport makes travel easy and proximity to San Francisco, Santa Cruz, and the wine country provide wonderful day trip destination getaways.

Outdoors and Athletics

With 300 days of sunshine per year, you can imagine San Joseans take good advantage of their parks and open spaces. Many walking and biking trails within the city limits provide glimpses of nature during your green commute. Local sport fans are proud of their NHL hockey team the San Jose Sharks, as well as the major soccer league team the San Jose Earthquakes. These pro games are events you won't want to miss.

Food and Local Agriculture

Once known more for apricots, plums and grapes than silicon, the fertile Santa Clara valley supplies a rich harvest of produce that can be seen on display at many area farmers' markets. As one of the oldest wine producing regions in California, Santa Clara valley has many wineries offering tours and tastings daily. Replete with international cuisine and fine restaurants, the quality and variety of dining experiences in San Jose are something to savor.

Arts and Culture

Thanks to a special city ordinance, public art is on the rise in San Jose and many pieces can be seen throughout the city in parks and downtown areas. The celebration of art and culture continues with many community events, performance companies, galleries and museums, including the renowned contemporary San Jose Museum of Art. One of the busiest venues in the world, the HP Pavilion hosts major musical acts, sporting events and conferences. The cosmopolitan Santana Row district combines shopping, dining, living and relaxing all in a beautiful tree-lined atmosphere.

Technology

Silicon Valley slowly replaced the agriculture food companies which gave San Jose its initial nickname, "The Valley of the Heart's Delight." With a population of close to four million, Silicon Valley sits in the South Bay portion of the San Francisco Bay area. Home to many of the world's largest technology corporations, it continues to be the leading hub for high-tech innovation and development.



San Jose Campus

The San Jose campus of Five Branches University resides in a modern high-rise office building, a short commute from San Francisco and the beaches of Monterey Bay, and within walking distance of the prestigious Santana Row. A welcoming courtyard leads you to the entrance of both the health center and the University, where our English, Chinese and Korean Master's programs and our prestigious Doctoral program reside.

Here is a list of amenities our campus has to offer:

Health Center

Patients await their treatments in a beautifully designed reception area, while practitioners treat over 160 patients each day in our busy health centers. With a combined 38 treatment rooms, herbal pharmacies containing over 500 medicinal products, and expert patient care and clinical instruction, our health centers are the ideal place to gain experience in a clinical environment and to learn how to provide exceptional healthcare to your patients.

Herb Room

The herb room is a fragrant experience. Walls lined with wooden drawers full of Chinese herbs emanate earthy aromas, as practitioners prepare herbal remedies for their patients in the traditional way. In the herb room you will meet with practitioners to learn first-hand how to use herbal medicines to effectively treat your patients.

Classrooms

Spacious classrooms and small class sizes provide the optimal environment for dynamic discussion and meaningful teacher-student interaction. The San Jose campus has eight fully furnished and equipped classrooms, providing ample instruction and meeting space to both faculty and students. Classrooms may be used for continuing education seminars and special presentations in fields related to Traditional Chinese Medicine.



Equipment and Materials

Standard teaching equipment is provided in every classroom including: tables and chairs, white boards, computer and overhead projectors, video equipment, anatomical models, acupuncture charts, and treatment tables for acupuncture training demonstrations. Classrooms used for clinical training are supplied with necessary acupuncture supplies such as treatment tables, sterile disposal acupuncture needles, heat lamps, electric stimulation machines, an herbal dispensary, and TCM reference texts.

Student Lounge

A place to rest, nourish yourself and socialize, the student lounge is fitted with comfortable seating, tables for study, a kitchen to prepare meals, wireless internet, and a bulletin board to check out current campus events.

Library and Learning Resources

For students working on patient cases or preparing for exams, the library is a quiet haven for research and study. You may use the library during its posted hours of operation and may check out library resource materials using your Five Branches Student ID card.

Library resources include computer labs, wireless internet, an online catalog, and other available learning resources. Upon your first visit to the library, you will be provided with a set of instructions and regulations for library use. For detailed information regarding library procedures and policies, please refer to the student handbook or the Library and Research section of our website: www.fivebranches.edu/student-life/108.

Administrative Offices

The open, friendly and accessible administrative team considers DAOM students their top priority. Whether you need assistance to review the curriculum, secure financial aid or to voice your concerns, our administrative staff is available to assist you.

Conference Rooms

Students, faculty and staff may reserve the conference rooms for confidential consultations and meetings.

Parking

The San Jose Campus has two large underground parking lots offering more than sufficient parking for students, faculty and staff. Visitors and patients use an above-ground parking area that is ample and convenient for reaching the ground-floor clinic and administrative offices.

Local Favorites

The San Jose campus has a bountiful supply of restaurant choices. Located within walking distance, Santana Row offers food from around the globe. Designed after the gracious shopping experiences in Europe, Santana Row offers students outdoor cafes, tree-lined walks, the latest fashions, and great people-watching. If you happen to be at the Santa Cruz campus for clinical training, you might have time to enjoy one of the many restaurants within walking distance, and with great views of the ocean.

Transportation

The San Jose campus is conveniently located at the major freeway intersection of Highway 280 and Highway 880 and easily accessible to the San Jose Airport. To obtain information on public transportation in the San Jose area, go to www.511.org.

Accommodations

Students in need of accommodations for the weekend can find a list of hotels on our website at www.fivebranches.edu/five-branches-university/campuses/91. If you plan to attend clinical training in Santa Cruz please keep in mind that the distance between the two campuses is 35 miles.

Housing

The Five Branches University's programs are non-residential and student dormitories or other housing is not provided. There are many available housing options in the area, from rooms available in a household to three bedroom-plus homes. Rentals costs range from \$500 to \$4500 per month based on size and location.

Five Branches University does not provide housing search assistance to students. If you are in need of housing we recommend you arrive in San Jose six weeks before the beginning of the semester. Go to www.fivebranches.edu/student-life/on-campus/549 for a list of resources to aid you in your housing search.

Campus Safety and Security

The Clery/Campus Security Act of 1990 (Title II of Public Law 101-542) requires that all colleges and universities provide annual statistics on several specific categories of crime. This report is published by October 1st of each year on the Five Branches University website at: <http://www.fivebranches.edu/five-branches-university/4095>.

Any crime occurring on campus or on streets and sidewalks directly adjacent to the campus must be reported to the Student Services Director (408) 260-0208.

Student Services

The university provides a wide array of services to make your experience at Five Branches both rewarding and successful. Our student services include:

- Academic Advising
- Registration
- Health Services
- Library
- Communications
- Externships/Health Fairs
- Student Employment
- Career Development/Placement Assistance

Academic Advising

The DAOM administration team offers academic advising to assist you in the planning and completion of your degree requirements. From enrollment through graduation, the administrative team will support you in your advanced studies as a Doctoral and/or PhD student.

Registration

The DAOM office ensures that registering for the DAOM program flows smoothly. During registration you may talk to our staff regarding our annual China externship, learn more about the PhD opportunity, find out if you qualify for federal financial aid, and receive updates regarding changes in programs, campus facilities and support services.

Health Services

The Five Branches Health Centers are a flourishing environment for both student education and quality healthcare. As a prospective student, you may receive a free acupuncture treatment during your tour of the campus. Enrolled students receive healthcare services at the clinic with significant discounts.

Library

The Santa Cruz and San Jose library collections contain a broad selection of over 6,000 books and 40 journals on Traditional Chinese Medicine, Western medicine, and related topics. The collection includes texts and journals in Chinese and Korean. The library has a modern web-based site detailing its holdings, offering extensive guidelines for research, and a wide variety of medical software and TCM study and testing programs. The library provides wireless internet, copy and laser print services, and a professional librarian and staff to assist you. Library hours include evenings and weekends.

Communications

The University maintains internet and data platforms to facilitate effective administration, student and alumni interaction. Communications include direct email, the university's web and blog sites, and the Five Branches email and forum platform.

Externships/Health Fairs

Community externships and health fairs offer you the valuable opportunity to network with experienced practitioners and gain clinical experience in a broad range of settings. By volunteering at health fairs, you get a chance to work with other medical modalities and may have an opportunity to introduce TCM to the public by offering trial treatments. The annual China externship program is a coveted international externship, allowing you to travel to Asia to gain clinical experience at leading hospitals in China, Taiwan, and Korea.

Student Employment

Students who qualify for need-based financial aid are eligible to earn money through the Federal Work Study program. Eligibility is awarded on the basis of financial need and is earned money that does not have to be repaid.

Placement Assistance

Five Branches corresponds with medical professionals who may be looking for qualified TCM graduates and regularly posts professional vacancies in the field of acupuncture and TCM on the Five Branches University website under TCM Careers: www.fivebranches.edu/student-life/career-development/career-opportunities/641.

Five Branches University and Clinic receive referral requests nationwide for competent, qualified, licensed acupuncturists. If Five Branches alumni are located within the requested area, patients are referred to these practitioners. Alumni referral information is available on the Five Branches University website under Alumni Practitioner Directory: www.fivebranches.edu/welcome/alumni/788. Five Branches University provides placement assistance for licensed graduates whenever possible.

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