



# FIVE BRANCHES UNIVERSITY

Graduate School of Traditional Chinese Medicine

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## SCHOOL PERFORMANCE FACT SHEET

CALENDAR YEARS 2017 & 2018

**Master of Traditional Chinese Medicine  
San Jose, CA**

### On-Time Completion Rates (Graduation Rates)

*Includes data for the two calendar years prior to reporting.*

Calendar Year	Number of Students Who Began the Program	Students Available for Graduation	Number of On-Time Graduates	On-Time Completion Rate
2017	50	50	16	32%
2018	17	17	5	30%

Student's Initials: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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### Students Completing Within 150% of the Published Program Length

Calendar Year	Number of Students Who Began the Program	Students Available for Graduation	150% Graduates	150% Completion Rate
2015	58	58	18	31%
2016	45	44	25	57%
2017	50	50	28	56%
2018	17	17	8	47%

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## Job Placement Rates (includes data for the two calendar years prior to reporting)

Calendar Year	Number of Students Who Began Program	Number of Graduates	Graduates Available for Employment	Graduates Employed in the Field	Placement Rate % Employed in the Field
2017	50	34	21	16	76%
2018	17	26	20	11	55%

You may obtain from the institution a list of the employment positions determined to be in the field for which a student received education and training: <http://www.fivebranches.edu/wp-content/uploads/9-List-of-Employment-Positions.pdf>

## Gainfully Employed Categories (includes data for the two calendar years prior to reporting)

### Part-Time vs. Full-Time Employment

Calendar Year	Graduate Employed in the Field 20-29 Hours Per Week	Graduates Employed in the Field at Least 30 Hours Per Week	Total Graduates Employed in the Field
2017	5	8	16
2018	4	2	11

### Single Position vs. Concurrent Aggregated Position

Calendar Year	Graduates Employed in the Field in a Single Position	Graduates Employed in the Field in Concurrent Aggregated Positions	Total Graduates Employed in the Field
2017	13	3	16
2018	9	2	11



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## Self-Employed/ Freelance Positions

Calendar Year	Graduates Employed who are Self-Employed or Working Freelance	Total Graduates Employed in the Field
2017	11	16
2018	9	11

## Institutional Employment

Calendar Year	Graduates Employed in the Field who are Employed by the Institution, an Employer Owned by the Institution, or an Employer who Shares Ownership with the Institution.	Total Graduates Employed in the Field
2017	2	16
2018	1	11

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This program may result in freelance or self-employment.

- The work available to graduates of this program is usually for freelance or self-employment.
- This type of work may not be consistent.
- The period of employment can range from one day to weeks to several months.
- Hours worked in a day or week maybe more or less than the traditional 8 hour workday or 40 hour work week.
- You can expect to spend unpaid time expanding your networks, advertising, promoting your services, or honing your skills.
- Once graduates begin to work freelance or are self-employed, they will be asked to provide documentation that they are employed as such so that they maybe counted as placed for our job placement records.
- Students initialing this disclosure understand that either a majority or all of this school's graduates are employed in this manner and understand what comprises this work style.

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## License Examination Passage Rates (includes data for the two calendar years prior to reporting)

First Available Exam Date	Date Exam Results Announced	Number of Graduates in Calendar Year	Number of Graduates Taking Exam	Number Who Passed Exam	Number Who Failed Exam	Passage Rate
March 2017	April 2017	34	28	26	2	93%
August 2017	September 2017					
March 2018	April 2018	26	6	5	1	83%

\*April 2018 was the last paper-based licensing exam offered by California Acupuncture Board

Calendar Year	Number of Graduates in Calendar Year	Number of Graduates Taking Exam	Number Who Passed First Available Exam	Number Who Failed First Available Exam	Passage Rate
2018	26	12	0	0	NA

\*Starting from October 2018, California Acupuncture Board only offer computer-based year-round licensing exam

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## Salary and Wage Information (includes data for the two calendar years prior to reporting)

Annual salary and wages reported for graduates employed in the field.

Calendar Year	Graduates Available for Employment	Graduates Employed in Field	\$10,001 - \$15,000	\$30,001 - \$35,000	\$35,001 - \$40,000	\$60,001 - \$65,000	\$70,001 - \$75,000	\$140,001 - \$145,000	No Salary Information Reported
2017	23	16	1	2	1		1	1	10
2018	20	11	1		1	1			8

A list of sources used to substantiate salary disclosures is available from the school: <http://www.fivebranches.edu/five-branches-university/mission/4095>

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## Cost of Educational Program

Total charges for the program for students completing on-time in 2018: **\$64,160**.. Additional charges maybe incurred if the program is not completed on-time.

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## Federal Student Loan Debt

Most recent three-year cohort default rate, as reported by the United State Department of Education. <sup>1</sup>	The percentage of enrolled students in 2018 receiving federal student loans to pay for this program.	The average amount of federal student loan debt of 2018 graduates who took out federal student loans at this institution.	The percentage of Graduates in 2018 with federal student loans as calculated by the institution.
3.2	28%	\$135,408	44%

<sup>1</sup>The percentage of students who defaulted on their federal student loans is called the Cohort Default Rate (CDR). It shows the percentage of this school's students who were more than 270 days (9months) behind on their federal student loans within three years of when the first payment was due. This is the most recent CDR reported by the U.S. Department of Education.

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This fact sheet is filed with the Bureau for Private Postsecondary Education. Regardless of any information you may have relating to completion rates, placement rates, starting salaries, or license exam passage rates, this fact sheet contains the information as calculated pursuant to state law.

Any questions a student may have regarding this fact sheet that have not been satisfactorily answered by the institution may be directed to the Bureau for Private Postsecondary Education at 2535 Capitol Oaks Drive, Suite 400, Sacramento, CA 95833, [www.bppe.ca.gov](http://www.bppe.ca.gov), toll-free telephone number (888) 370-7589 or by fax (916) 263-1897.

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Student Name-Print

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Student Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
School Official

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date



### Definitions

- “Number of Students Who Began the Program” means the number of students who began a program who were scheduled to complete the program within 100% of the published program length within the reporting calendar year and excludes all students who cancelled during the cancellation period.
- “Students Available for Graduation” is the number of students who began the program minus the number of students who have died, been incarcerated, or been called to active military duty.
- “Number of On-time Graduates” is the number of students who completed the program within 100% of the published program length within the reporting calendar year.
- “On-time Completion Rate” is the number of on-time graduates divided by the number of students available for graduation.
- “150% Graduates” is the number of students who completed the program within 150% of the program length (includes on-time graduates).
- “150% Completion Rate” is the number of students who completed the program in the reported calendar year within 150% of the published program length, including on-time graduates, divided by the number of students available for graduation.
- “Graduates Available for Employment” means the number of graduates minus the number of graduates unavailable for employment.
- “Graduates Unavailable for Employment” means the graduates who, after graduation, die, become incarcerated, are called to active military duty, are international students that leave the United States or do not have a visa allowing employment in the United States, or are continuing their education in an accredited or bureau-approved postsecondary institution.
- “Graduates Employed in the Field” means graduates who beginning within six months after a student completes the applicable educational program are gainfully employed, whose employment has been reported, and for whom the institution has documented verification of employment. For occupations for which testate requires passing an examination, the six-month period begins after the announcement of the examination results for the first examination available after a student completes an applicable educational program.
- “Placement Rate Employed in the Field” is calculated by dividing the number of graduates gainfully employed in the field by the number of graduates available for employment.
- “Number of Graduates Taking Exam” is the number of graduates who took the first available exam in the reported calendar year.
- “First Available Exam Date” is the date for the first available exam after a student completed a program.
- “Passage Rate” is calculated by dividing the number of graduates who passed the exam by the number of graduates who took the reported licensing exam.
- “Number Who Passed First Available Exam” is the number of graduates who took and passed the first available licensing exam after completing the program.
- “Salary” is as reported by graduate or graduate’s employer.
- “No Salary Information Reported” is the number of graduates for whom, after making reasonable attempts, the school was not able to obtain salary information.



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## **STUDENT'S RIGHT TO CANCEL**

### **CHANGE IN ENROLLMENT STATUS – DROPPED COURSE(S)**

To obtain a full refund, a Student must submit a drop form no later than the fifth business day of the term. If they are unable to do so an e-mail from school issued account to the Registrar stating your request will be accepted. Deadline to drop course(s) and obtain a full-refund: DAY, MM DD, 20XX.

If you choose drop a course after five business days have lapsed, a Student may obtain a prorated refund for the unused portion of the tuition if 20% or less of the course time has lapsed. Please note that there is no refund for course absence(s) of any period during a term or session, or for dropping a course after 20% of the course time has lapsed.

If the University cancels or discontinues a course, the school will make a full refund of all charges. Credited amounts can either be applied to the following term's tuition, or refunded upon request.

### **ENROLLMENT CANCELLATION (WITHDRAWAL) – FULL REFUND**

Students have the right to cancel their contract for enrollment at Five Branches University and obtain a refund of charges paid through attendance at the seventh day after Term begins. To do so they must obtain a Withdrawal form from the Registrar's Office. If they are unable to do so, a letter, e-mail or fax addressed to the Registrar with the Student's signature stating your cancellation of enrollment will be accepted. Deadline to cancel program enrollment and obtain a full-refund: DAY, MM DD, 20XX.

If enrollment is canceled by the stipulated deadline, the University will refund the student any tuition monies paid, less a registration or administration fee not to exceed \$250.00, and less any deduction for equipment not returned in good condition, within 45 days after the notice of cancellation is received. The amount refunded for a student who has received Title IV Financial Aid will be returned to the direct loan program to reduce the Student's federal direct loan debt.

Withdrawal form and letter of resignation should be sent to: Five Branches University, Attn: Registrar. San Jose Campus: 1885 Lundy Avenue, Suite 108, San Jose, CA 95131. Fax (408) 261-3166. Santa Cruz Campus: 200 7th Avenue, Santa Cruz, CA 95060. Fax (831) 476-8928

### **ENROLLMENT CANCELLATION (WITHDRAWAL) – PRO-RATED REFUND**

A Student wishing to terminate enrollment must state this in writing on a Withdrawal Form to the Registrar. The effective date of cancellation is the date postmarked or turned in to the Registrar. Students who cancel enrollment after classes have begun will be given tuition refunds that are prorated according to the percentage of the class time remaining in all courses in which the Student was registered.

Students may withdraw from a course after instruction has started and receive a prorated refund for the unused portion of the tuition and other refundable charges if the Student has completed 60% or less of the enrollment period.

The amount refunded for a student who has received Title IV Financial Aid will be returned to the direct loan program to reduce the Student's federal direct loan debt. If the University cancels or discontinues a course or educational program, the school will make a full refund of all charges.