Addendum to the 2011 – 2012 Graduate Program Catalog
(updated January 2012)

Since publishing its 2011 – 2012 graduate program catalog, AOMA has made changes in certain policies. Please note the following additions to the 2011 – 2012 catalog.
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ADMINISTRATION

President’s Cabinet (Page 9 of Catalog)
MAcOM Program Director
Lesley Hamilton
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Reflecting her new role as Director of the MAcOM Program, Lesley Hamilton will now serve as a member of the President’s Cabinet. In this capacity, she retains her responsibilities as Clinic Director and Academic Advisor.

Administrative Staff (Page 10 of Catalog)
Director of Admissions
Justine Meccio
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The Director of Admissions is primarily responsible for the admission and retention of new students to AOMA’s program.

Director of Financial Aid
Hannah Thornton
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The Director of Financial Aid is primarily responsible for overseeing the operations and regulatory compliance of AOMA’s Financial Aid Office. Hannah Thornton no longer serves in the capacity of Director of Admissions and Student Services.

Student and Career Services Specialist
Julie Glick Aziz
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The Student and Career Services Specialist works with students to support their wellbeing and oversees student activities at AOMA.

Admissions Coordinator
Jillian Butler
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The Admissions Coordinator supports the Director of Admissions.

ADMISSIONS

Admissions Criteria – international applicants

As of November 23, 2011 AOMA has been automatically withdrawn from the SEVIS (Student Exchange Visitor Information System) program due to delays in the SEVP recertification process. As a result AOMA is no longer authorized under federal law to enroll non-immigrant students. This will be in effect until SEVP certification is restored. AOMA is actively working to restore SEVP Certification.

TUITION AND FEES
Description of Changes

Tuition (Page 16 of Catalog)

$201 per credit for didactic coursework
$336 per credit for clinical instruction

Program Costs (Page 16 of Catalog)
The total cost of tuition and fees for the complete program is approximately $47,798. AOMA reserves the right to make tuition adjustments of 4 - 8% per year that reflect changes in the cost of living and cost of education, subject to governing board approval.

Program Related Fees
Clinical Practical Examination .................................................................$40

The fee for the Clinical Practical Examination has been increased from $35 to $40.

FACULTY

The following scholars have been added to the AOMA faculty.

Full-Time Faculty (Page 28 of Catalog)

Shengyan (Grace) Tan, PhD, MD (China), OMD (China)
Department of Acupuncture
PhD, Chengdu University of TCM, 2011
MMed, Chengdu University of TCM, 2008
BMed, Chengdu University of TCM, 2005
For four years, Grace Tan served as an acupuncturist, herbalist, and clinical supervisor in the ENT and Ophthalmology Department of Chengdu University Hospital of TCM. She has also served as a clinic interpreter, instructor, and lecturer and has published several peer reviewed papers. She is the first PhD-trained TCM practitioner specializing in ophthalmology to teach in the United States.

Clinical Supervisors (Page 31 of Catalog)

Shengyan (Grace) Tan, PhD, MD (China), OMD (China)

Mandy Morrow, LAc, MSOM
MSOM, AOMA, 2002
BA, University of Texas at Austin, 1993
After earning her Master’s Degree in Oriental Medicine at AOMA, Morrow completed extensive training in Japanese style acupuncture and cranio-sacral therapy. She has been treating infertility and practicing obstetric and gynecological acupuncture since 2000 and currently practices at the Texas Center for Reproductive Acupuncture in Austin, TX. Raised in Mexico City, Morrow is a fluent Spanish speaker and offers bilingual treatments.
COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

Herbal Studies (Page 36 of Catalog)
The following course number has been updated:

HT0393 Chinese Herbal Classics 1
18/0/0/1.5 Prereq: HT0301, HT0302
Study of the Chinese herbal classics for advanced students composed of two courses. Fundamental theories and formulas recorded in these books will be analyzed and discussed, with indications and applications to difficult cases and review of clinical experiences. First course covers the Neijing (Yellow Emperor's Internal Classics) and the theory of syndrome differentiation according to the Six Channel Stages of the Shang Han Lun (Treatise on Cold Induced Diseases) by Zhang Zhongjing. Attention is given to differences between various related formulas and their modifications according to the patient’s changing condition.

ACCREDITATION AND AUTHORIZATION

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In December 2011, the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools, approved AOMA’s Substantive Change application to move from a master’s to a doctoral degree granting institution.
AOMA Graduate School of Integrative Medicine is accredited by the Commission on Colleges of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools to award master’s and doctorate degrees. Contact the Commission on Colleges at 1866 Southern Lane, Decatur, Georgia 30033-4097 or call 404-679-4500 for questions about the accreditation of AOMA Graduate School of Integrative Medicine. The Commission is to be contacted only if there is evidence that appears to support the institution’s significant non-compliance with a requirement or standard.

STUDENT IMMUNIZATION REQUIREMENT

Recently, Texas Senate Bill 1107, also known as the Jamie Schanbaum and Nicolis Williams Act, was enacted resulting in new regulation for bacterial meningitis vaccination requirements. Beginning January 1 of 2012, all entering students age 30 or under enrolling in public, private, or independent institutions of higher education on or after January 1, 2012 must have received a vaccine for bacterial meningitis. The rule also applies to students who have taken a semester or more away from school. To comply with this new regulation, all students age 30 and under who enroll at AOMA after January 1, 2012 must submit proof of vaccination for bacterial meningitis. Should students wish to decline the vaccine, they must either obtain a waiver from a physician licensed to practice medicine in the U.S., or must sign and submit an affidavit stating they decline the vaccine for reasons of conscience, including a religious belief.