



## **PRESIDENTIAL SEARCH**

The Board of Directors of Wongu University of Oriental Medicine (Wongu) cordially invites nominations and applications for the appointment of the next President of Wongu.

Founded in 2012 as the first Oriental medicine school in Nevada, Wongu is a graduate school offering the Master's in Oriental Medicine degree program.

The mission, vision, and goals are fully described on the University's website ([wongu.edu](http://wongu.edu)).

### **CANDIDATE PROFILE**

Candidates for the Wongu Presidency should have:

- A track record of leadership in a senior administrative/academic role, with management expertise in partnership development, financial acumen, and strong organizational and team-building skills.
- Excitement for the mission of Wongu and an understanding and appreciation of Oriental medicine's impact on integrative health care, plus a passion for education and the overall success of students.
- Familiarity with Traditional Korean Medicine through Korean medical, educational or research institutions.
- An ability to comprehend the financial, enrollment, and other challenges/opportunities that tuition-dependent institutions such as Wongu face and effective skills to manage, meet, and measure institutional goals (financial, assessment, mission).
- An ability to develop, articulate, and implement a plan for strengthening Wongu's academic programs.
- A collaborative and transparent leadership style with the ability to make decisions and lead an organization through a time of change.
- Experience in creating and nurturing relationships/partnerships with external organizations and constituents to advance an institutional mission.

### **Education and Experience Preferred**

- OMD, MD, PhD, or doctorate in related field.
- Experience:
  - a. as a president or dean at a higher education institution, or
  - b. working directly or collaboratively with, or in, Western medicine institution, or
  - c. working directly or collaboratively with, or in, Oriental medicine institution.



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### INSTITUTIONAL PROFILE

Founded in 2012 in Las Vegas, Nevada, Wongu University of Oriental Medicine is the first and only Oriental Medicine school in Nevada approved to grant a Master of Science degree in Oriental Medicine. The mission of Wongu University is to educate students to become skilled Oriental Medicine practitioners who possess compassion and integrity.

Wongu University of Oriental Medicine and its master's-level program in Oriental medicine (MSOM) received accreditation in 2019 by the Accreditation Commission for Acupuncture and Oriental Medicine (ACAOM). ACAOM is recognized by the United States Department of Education as the specialized accreditation agency for institutions/programs preparing acupuncture and Oriental medicine practitioners.

Since Wongu's inception the MSOM program has graduated eleven students with forty-five graduate students currently enrolled. In the past few years as part of Wongu's study abroad program, Wongu has developed clinical partnerships in China, Korea and Thailand.

The new president will be expected to lead the development of meaningful partnerships with other institutions and health services.

#### Facilities

Wongu University has over 12,000 sq. feet in two adjacent buildings to meet the needs of both didactic and clinical education. The academic building contains spacious classrooms, administrative offices, a library, student and faculty lounge areas, kitchens. The Wongu Health Center is a teaching/community Oriental medicine clinic that houses a beautiful meditation room, patient lounge, an herbal dispensary, administrative and practitioner offices, an intern lounge, and nine professional treatment rooms. In addition, Wongu provides roughly 65 parking spaces for students, faculty, and staff.

#### Students

Wongu attracts a diverse population of students from overseas (15%) and from across the U.S. The student body is approximately 65% female and 35% male and in the mid-30 age range. Admitted students have completed an undergraduate degree in many diverse fields; education, anthropology, pre-medical sciences, massage therapy, nursing and upon encountering Oriental medicine seek to change careers.

#### Institutional Data

- Number of students: 45
- Number of part-time faculty: 15
- Number of staff: 11
- Certification Rate: 84%
- Graduation Rate: 75%
- Retention Rate: 89.5%
- Average class size, Lecture/Clinic: 12/4



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### INQUIRIES, NOMINATIONS, AND APPLICATIONS

Wongu University is accepting internal and external applications.

- To inquire about the position or recommend a candidate, contact Michael Giampaoli at [mgiampaoli@wongu.edu](mailto:mgiampaoli@wongu.edu).
- To apply, send a cover letter and chronological resume to the Wongu Human Resources office: [hr@wongu.edu](mailto:hr@wongu.edu).
- All information will be handled confidentially.