



Post-Graduate Diploma in Veterinary Acupuncture

Introduction

The Singapore College of Traditional Chinese Medicine was established in 1953 as the Chinese Physician Training College (renamed in 1976) by the Singapore Chinese Physicians' Association. Since then, the college has grown to be a well-established Traditional Chinese Medicine (TCM) institution in the region, and has had 2,224 graduates.

These graduates are currently practicing TCM in various parts of Singapore, providing TCM treatment and healthcare to the public, contributing significantly to TCM development in the country.

This is the first comprehensive veterinary acupuncture course conducted in South East Asia by the Singapore College of Traditional Chinese Medicine. Learning about mystical concepts like Qi, Yin and Yang may be necessary to master acupuncture, but as a veterinarian you can get started with what you already know. Whether treating chronic pain or internal medical disorders, acupuncture gets patients better in ways you already understand - influencing autonomic activity, relieving pain and changing blood flow patterns. The story of acupuncture embodies the wisdom of the orient, but techniques and mechanisms of acupuncture are something veterinarians can learn quickly and easily.

Objective

A one year part time course designed to provide primary care veterinarians with skills in the practice of acupuncture. This post graduate course is specially designed for veterinary surgeons in South East Asia to learn the science and practice of veterinary acupuncture.

Course Learning Outcome

Upon completion of the course, candidates are expected to master the basic theory and technique in acupuncture and apply the knowledge and skill in clinical examination in a veterinary practice. You will learn and have a working knowledge of the most frequently used acupuncture points on the dog and the horse. You will be able to diagnose and treat common conditions in veterinary practice using the principles of Traditional Chinese Medicine as well as integrating veterinary acupuncture into mainstream practice.

Prerequisites for the course

- 2 years of clinical practice in a veterinary clinic / hospital
- Veterinarians attending this course must be graduate Veterinarians. Documentation must be provided.
- Medical insurance coverage for hospitalization and related medical treatment for the entire course duration



This course is a 1-year part time program where candidates are required to complete a total of 330 course hours including theory and clinical lessons. The course syllabus was approved and accredited by Singapore TCM Practitioners Board.

The theory and practical course is conducted intensively over a period of 12month (actual schedule will be based on the time table of the course syllabus). There is no need for the candidate to travel overseas for any of the clinical experience as this course is conducted solely in Singapore. Candidate will be required to go for clinical practice at the Singapore Chung Hwa Medical Institution and other affiliated institutes such as Temasek Polytechnic for clinical experience and practice instead. Overseas speakers such as Professor Song Da Lu from Nanjing will also impart his knowledge and share his personal experience during some of the practical sessions held in Singapore.

Type of Qualification

- Post Graduate Diploma in Veterinary Acupuncture - conferred by Singapore College of Traditional Chinese Medicine and endorsed by Singapore Veterinary Association

Course Language

- English

Course Commencement Date and Duration

- March 2013 to December 2013

Course Structure

The course structure will be in accordance to the guideline set by the Singapore TCM Practitioners Board and divided into 5 modules with 250 hours focusing on the Theory aspect and 80 hours for the practical session. Candidates will complete all modules including clinical attachment within 12 months.

Total course hours: 330 hours

- Module 1: Basic TCM theory
- Module 2: Basic TCM Diagnostic
- Module 3: Acupuncture Theory
- Module 4: Clinical Acupuncture
- Module 5: Clinical Attachment

Assessment Scheme

- Assignments, case studies , online quizzes and theory examinations between modules



Course Fees

- \$8000 SGD (excluding 7% GST) – approx. US\$6,400

Faculty

The lecturing faculty have a wide variety of professional backgrounds and clinical acupuncture experience including boarded veterinary specialists, veterinary college faculty, veterinarians who also have completed training and licensing in human acupuncture, licensed human acupuncturists from Singapore College of TCM and College of Animal Science and Technology, Nanjing Agricultural University, Accredited Veterinary Acupuncturists from Singapore Veterinary Association, who used acupuncture in the majority of their daily practice.

Who should Attend

- Veterinarians who want to incorporate acupuncture into their practice and are looking for solid, comprehensive, and practical acupuncture training.
- Veterinarians interested in learning the basics of acupuncture from a scientific as well as traditional Chinese medicine approach.
- Veterinarians who want a foundation of traditional Chinese medicine study and are interested in pursuing the additional study of traditional Chinese veterinary herbology.

Course Pre-Registration Form

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