

PATENT MEDICINES

COURSE DESCRIPTION

This course examines the clinical efficacy and availability of the most commonly used herbal patents and pre-packaged herbal remedies. Students will be exposed to the different ways of extracting the formulae (i.e. powder form, tincture, capsules, etc.), as well as introducing students to the various herbal companies that make them. Throughout the course, guest speakers from the various herbal companies will present their product lines.

LEARNING OBJECTIVES

One of the biggest questions / issues facing the new Acupuncturist is how to go about setting up their herbal pharmacy. Most of us do not have the space or money to begin our new practices with raw / bulk herbs. Also, patient compliance with raw herbs is often less than adequate. We are therefore left with the need to establish a pharmacy using Patent Herbal Medicine, and there are an enormous number and variety of choices in this area. Do we want to use concentrated extracts or tablets? Which Herb Company has the best quality? , Price? And once we have answered these questions, we must educate ourselves on the herbal formulae themselves and their indications and usage. This course will cover all of the above and more. We will have guest speakers from many of the Herbal Companies who will discuss their products and pass out free samples and catalogues so that you are ready when you start your practice.

COURSE PREREQUISITIES

Herb Formulae I-III

REQUIRED TEXTS

The Clinical Manual of Chinese Herbal Patent Medicines; Will Maclean with Kathryn Taylor

RECOMMENDED TEXTS

COURSE REQUIREMENTS

Evaluation on this class will be on the basis of two things 1. Attendance 2. Two typed research papers - Must be turned in on due dates - no exceptions - no make-ups. Attendance: Because of the nature of this class, attendance is quite important.

You are allowed ONE absence. 3 tardies (arriving more than 10 minutes late or leaving more than 10 minutes early) will be counted as an absence. Anything over the allowed absence or tardy may either adversely affect your grade, or cause you to be dropped from this course.

Grading: Attendance- 30%
Midterm Paper - 35%
Final Paper- 35%

GRADING SCALE: 100-90% A, 89-80% B, 79-70% C, 69% and below F

SPECIAL NOTES

Professionalism and Full and Prompt Attendance: To pass any course (separate from academic performance) all students must meet requirements for professionalism in coursework. Professionalism includes full and prompt attendance: students who miss more than 2 class meetings in a 10-week course will earn an F in that course. Additionally, students who arrive more than 15 minutes to class or leave class before it ends will be given ½ absence

towards attendance. NOTE: Students who leave and return to class late from a break or leave during the class (especially if this is repeated) or who disrupt the class in other ways may earn an F in that class and/or be referred to the Academic Dean for professionalism.

CLASS ONE (The syllabus is subject to change at the discretion of the instructor.)

Introduction
Reading : Appendix
Gynecological Conditions & Formulas

Guest Speaker

CLASS TWO

Digestive Conditions & Formulas

Guest Speakers

CLASS THREE

Respiratory Conditions & Formulas

Guest Speakers

CLASS FOUR

Genito-Urinary Conditions and formulas
Cardiovascular Conditions and Formulas

Guest Speakers

First Paper Due

CLASS FIVE

Liver & Gallbladder Conditions and Formulas
Pediatric Conditions and Formulas

Guest Speaker

CLASS SIX

Tonic Formulas
Pain and Trauma Formulas

Guest Speaker

CLASS SEVEN
Skin Conditions & Formulas
Ear/Nose/Throat/Eye Conditions & Formulas

Guest Speaker

CLASS EIGHT
Men's Health Formula
Shen Formula
Guest Speaker

CLASS NINE
Infection & Inflammation Formulae
Circulator Formulae
Guest Speaker

Second Paper Due

CLASS TEN
Wind & Yang Formulae
Guest Speaker

CLASS ELEVEN

REFERENCE MATERIAL

FACULTY INFO

Please check with instructor during class to get updated contact info.