Subject Brief

ENDEAVOUR College of Natural Health

CMCP221

Clinical Practicum 1 - Acupuncture

General information

Awards	Subject type	Study year	Study Semester
Bachelor of Health Science (Chinese Medicine)	Core	Year 2	Semester 4
Bachelor of Health Science (Acupuncture Therapies)	Core	Year 2	Semester 4

EFTSL: 0.125

Delivery mode:

- Weeks 1-12: On campus single day clinic attendance (four hours per day; 100% attendance required)
- Weeks 1-12: On campus single day workshop attendance (three hours per day; 80% attendance required)

Co-requisites: Nil

Pre-requisites: CMTH211, BIOP212, CMHB212, SOCE311

Subject overview

This subject involves in-class case-based discussions and clinical placements at Endeavour's facilities. Students observe acupuncturists in consultations for the first 2-3 weeks, then as student practitioners for the rest of the clinic block, treating patients with acupuncture and related therapies. Students participate in tutorials to understand clinical reasoning, decision-making, and point prescription formulation. They will use traditional theories, evidence-based knowledge, and client input to inform clinical decisions and reflect on their performance. Practical skills will be consolidated through performing acupuncture, Chinese remedial massage (tui na), and lifestyle therapies on model patients, adhering to clinical procedures and professional standards. Students will also act as clinical assistants, preparing for future placements as senior student practitioners.

Assessments

- Week 3: Assignment
- Week 4: Online Quiz
- Weeks 6 and 12: Continuous Clinical Skills Assessment
- Rostered for a day between weeks 9-12: In person oral presentation

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