

POSTGRADUATE DIPLOMA IN ACUPUNCTURE

(Part-time only)

PURPOSE

The purpose of the Postgraduate Diploma in Acupuncture is to provide existing health care professionals with knowledge of the principles, practice and safety issues of the use of acupuncture techniques. The qualifying graduate will be able to competently apply and integrate clinical approaches that optimise the use of the various employed techniques in acupuncture therapeutics; incorporate acupuncture as a treatment modality in their practice as clinically indicated; and be able to integrate modern medical science and acupuncture diagnostics and therapeutics to improve patient care and satisfaction. The graduate will be eligible to register with the Allied Health Professions Council of South Africa (AHPCSA) as an acupuncture therapist.

SELECTION CRITERIA

Applicants must be a registered health care professional with the AHPCSA or Health Professions Council of South Africa (HPCSA) and provide a motivation for applying for the programme.

The minimum admission requirement is one of the following:

Master of Technology (M. Tech) Homoeopathy, M. Tech Chiropractic, Bachelor of Medicine or Bachelor of surgery (MBChB), Bachelor in Physiotherapy, Double Bachelors from the University of the Western Cape (UWC) (BSc Complementary Health Science plus a Bachelor's degree in one of the following: Phytotherapy, Naturopathy, or Unani-Tibb).

Applications from persons with an equivalent qualification will be considered by a constituted status committee in line with the University's and Faculty's regulations.





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POSTGRADUATE DIPLOMA IN PHYTOTHERAPY

(Part-time only)

PURPOSE

The purpose of this qualification is to provide existing health care practitioners with a knowledge of the properties, desired effects and safety issues of Western herbal medicines. The qualifying graduate will be able to competently apply and integrate the relevant knowledge, skills and competencies to manage and treat patients effectively. The graduate will also be a team player capable of working in multidisciplinary teams to promote the profession. This qualification promotes the principles of lifelong learning and provides a qualification that can enhance a healthcare practitioner's career.

The graduate will be eligible to register with the Allied Health Professions Council of South Africa (AHPCSA) as a phytotherapist.

SELECTION CRITERIA

Applicants must be a registered practitioner with the AHPCSA or Health Professions Council of South Africa (HPCSA) and provide a motivation for applying for the programme.

The minimum admission requirement is one of the following:

Master of Technology (M. Tech): Homoeopathy or the Masters of Health Sciences in Complementary Medicine (MHSc CM) (Homeopathy), an Equivalent qualification in a relevant field, e.g. M. Tech Chiropractic, Bachelor of Medicine or Bachelor of surgery (MB ChB), Double Bachelors from the University of the Western Cape (UWC) (BSc Complementary Health Science plus a Bachelor's degree in one of the following: Chinese Medicine and Acupuncture, Naturopathy, or Unani-Tibb).

Applications from persons with an equivalent qualification will be considered by a constituted status committee in line with the University's and Faculty's regulations.





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DOCTORATE OF HEALTH SCIENCES IN COMPLEMENTARY MEDICINE

(Full-time and Part-time)

PURPOSE

The purpose of this programme is to provide the qualifying student with advanced analytical problem-solving and reflective competencies in the field of complementary medicine (CM), and to enable them to act as a leader within the complementary medicine (CM) research field. This will be achieved by making an original contribution to the knowledge content of CM through independent research.

SELECTION CRITERIA

Selection is based on approval of the student's research proposal by the Faculty's Research and Ethics Committees.

The minimum admission requirement is one of the following:

Masters of Health Sciences in Complementary Medicine (MHSc CM) (Homeopathy or Phytotherapy) or Master of Technology (M.Tech): Homoeopathy, or an equivalent qualification in a relevant field at an NQF level 9, generating a minimum of 180 credits for example: phytochemistry, pharmacology or related analytical fields.

Applications from persons with an equivalent qualification will be considered by a constituted status committee in line with the University's and Faculty's regulations.





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FACULTY OF HEALTH SCIENCES
DEPARTMENT OF COMPLEMENTARY MEDICINE

BACHELOR OF HEALTH SCIENCES IN COMPLEMENTARY MEDICINE

**Electives include Homeopathy and
Phytotherapy
(Full-time)**

PURPOSE

The purpose of this qualification is to develop a graduate competent in the knowledge, attitudes, insight and skills required for diagnosing patients and formulating treatment plans in the field of complementary medicine (CM) for health promotion. The qualifying graduate will be able to competently apply and integrate theoretical principles, evidence based techniques, practical exposure and appropriate skills under supervision.

The programme of study will produce a well-rounded graduate who will be competent to compound, dispense and prescribe CM's within that scope of practice. Graduates may then proceed on to the Masters of Health Sciences in Complementary Medicine in either the elective of Homeopathy or Phytotherapy.

The graduate will be eligible to register with the Allied Health Professions Council of South Africa (AHPCSA) as an acupuncture therapist.

Minimum admission requirement:

A Senior Certificate with Matriculation Exemption or equivalent qualification. Subjects required are: English (5), Mathematics (4) and/or Physical Science (4) and/or Life Sciences (4). Total APS 25



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MASTERS OF HEALTH SCIENCES IN COMPLEMENTARY MEDICINE (HOMEOPATHY)

(Full-time)

PURPOSE

The purpose of this programme is to develop a graduate competent in the knowledge, attitudes, insight and skills required for diagnosing and managing patients in the field of complementary medicine (CM) and formulating comprehensive treatment plans for health promotion. In addition this programme will educate and train graduates who can contribute to the development of knowledge at an advanced level and prepare the graduates to practice in an advanced and specialized profession, in this case a CM environment. The programme of study will produce a well-rounded graduate who will be competent to compound, dispense and prescribe CMs within that scope of practice.

The graduate will be eligible to register with the Allied Health Professions Council of South Africa (AHPCSA) as a homeopathic practitioner.

Minimum admission requirement:

Bachelor of Health Sciences in Complementary Medicine (with electives in Homeopathy) or an equivalent 4-year 480 credit degree approved by a status committee.



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DEPARTMENT OF COMPLEMENTARY MEDICINE

MASTERS OF HEALTH SCIENCES IN COMPLEMENTARY MEDICINE (PHYTOTHERAPY)

(Full-time)

PURPOSE

The purpose of this programme is to develop a graduate competent in the knowledge, attitudes, insight and skills required for diagnosing and managing patients in the field of complementary medicine (CM) and formulating comprehensive treatment plans for health promotion. In addition this programme will educate and train graduates who can contribute to the development of knowledge at an advanced level and prepare the graduates to practice in an advanced and specialized profession, in this case a CM environment. The programme of study will produce a well-rounded graduate who will be competent to compound, dispense and prescribe CMs within that scope of practice.

The graduate will be eligible to register with the Allied Health Professions Council of South Africa (AHPCSA) as an acupuncture therapist.

Minimum admission requirement:

Bachelor of Health Sciences in Complementary Medicine (with electives in Phytotherapy) or an equivalent 4-year 480 credit degree approved by a status committee.





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