

# Theory and Philosophy in Chinese Acupuncture

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## Paper overview

Students will develop knowledge of the theory and philosophy of Chinese acupuncture including pathophysiology and diagnostics of Chinese medicine, and will develop skills in channel marking, point locations and functions, and their safe application in clinical situations.

## Programme study options

This paper is available from the Faculty of Health and Environmental Sciences in the following specialisation areas:

- Acupuncture

## Who can study this paper?

The paper is for registered health professionals who will normally have completed the requirements of one of the following in a relevant field from a New Zealand tertiary institution or equivalent:

- A bachelors degree
- Professional qualification recognised by the university as being equivalent to a bachelors degree
- Evidence of professional experience deemed by the university to be equivalent to a bachelors degree

Where entry qualifications do not meet the criteria for study at postgraduate level, completion of transitional studies may be required before the applicant is admitted to the programme.

## What you can expect to learn?

This paper covers the following topics:

- Relevant history of Chinese Medicine
- Major differences and interactions between Chinese and Western philosophical thought
- Pathophysiology and aetiology of Chinese Medicine applied to acupuncture:
- Diagnostics

## What you need to study this paper?

To study this paper it is essential you have a computer, internet (broadband preferred), email access and access to a clinical practice setting.

**Paper Coordinator:** Dr Joan Campbell, RGON, MB, ChB, Dip Obst, MSc (Hons), BHB, Clin Acup Cert (Nanjing), PGDip (Chinese acupuncture)

Dr Campbell has worked in medicine and allied fields since 1966, including as a registered nurse, medical doctor, GP obstetrician and psychologist (majoring in head injury). She also has an interest in homeopathic, nutritional and hormonal medicines. Dr Joan Campbell is an integrative health professional and registered medical practitioner. She practices Chinese Medicine (CM), specialising in acupuncture, with an interest in CM obstetrics/fertility, gynaecology and paediatrics. She is currently a doctoral student at the Nanjing University of TCM and Auckland University.

Dr Campbell has published several papers on acupuncture, along with an interactive manual "Acupuncture Channels and Points" published by Elsevier in 2008.

## Dates and location details

**Location:** Dr Campbell's medical practice at 44 Green Lane East, Remuera, Auckland  
**Teaching Period(s):** Semester 1  
**Online:** No  
**Block Course:** Yes  
**Teaching style:** Interactive style. Student participation and personal growth is supported.

## How will the paper be taught?

Classroom teaching, simulated case study activities and students working clinically with each other under supervision will provide the settings within which students will be able to contribute to their own learning process. Students are expected to participate actively in clinical casework along with completing all learning activities related to channel systems, diagnostics and the formulation of treatment plans.



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## How much time will I need to commit to the paper?

This is dependent on your other commitments and the speed at which you learn and work, but on average a 30 point paper typically involves around 300 hours per semester of study.

## What experience/qualifications will I need?

This paper requires that you have a basic working knowledge of anatomy and physiology and have some experience of working in clinical practice in your own profession. Surface anatomy is important for marking out acupuncture channels and points.

## Do I need to be proficient on a computer?

As part of the course, we will run a support site on-line. You will need to have a working computer and an internet connection to take part in this (broadband will be ideal). You will need to know how to download files, open attachments and navigate around websites.

## How will the paper be assessed?

There are two modes of assessment.

1. A summative 3000 word written assignment that critically analyses the pathophysiology of one of the “Zang” organs.
2. A two hour written examination that evaluates the channel systems, point locations, indications and treatment plans.

## How much does this paper cost?

30 point paper tuition fee for domestic students in 2012 is NZ\$1900. Additional fees for study may include; a learner services levy, student association (AUSM) fee, charges and paper activity fees. Please contact us for further information (International students email [international.centre@aut.ac.nz](mailto:international.centre@aut.ac.nz)).

Five interactive books have been developed specifically for the paper to facilitate and guide your self-directed learning, with inbuilt self directed learning and revision segments. These books condense a library of information into the essential knowledge you need to know in order to pass the papers and practice as an acupuncturist. They have been used since 1997 and are tried and tested. They are the “cheap option” to buying the recommended texts on the book list. They will also guide you with the purchase of any additional books to extend your knowledge and interests.  
Cost \$250 + GST

## Enrolment process

### New students

Contact the Student Information Centre

Phone: 0800 AUT UNI (0800 288 864) or Email: [courseinfo@aut.ac.nz](mailto:courseinfo@aut.ac.nz)

### Returning students

Go online to AUTonline, <https://autonline.ac.nz>

- a. Check paper timetable by clicking on ‘Timetable’ option
- b. Then, complete ‘2012 re-enrolment form’ by clicking on ‘Forms’ option
- c. Then, email us the completed form.

## Enrolment and paper information

### Student enrolment enquiries:

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