



THE AUSTRALIAN COLLEGE OF EASTERN MEDICINE

Student Unit Guide **ACEMAT1**

Unit 19 Acupuncture Therapeutics 1 **Unit Duration 64 hours**

Pre-requisites Unit 3 Oriental Medicine.

Mode of delivery On Campus

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Unit Aim

This subject focuses the student on the history of Acupuncture to the present day. Students will also be instructed on the safety issues of acupuncture including, health and safety, skin preparation, needle disposal and contraindications and pre-cautions of acupuncture.

Students will also commence needling techniques on the transporting points.

Learning Outcomes

On successful completion of this unit, students will be able to:

- a. Describe and apply correct practices in hygiene, aseptic technique, safe handling and disposal of sharps and any materials used in acupuncture treatments.
- b. Demonstrate a compassionate and respectful manner when applying acupuncture.
- c. Demonstrate safe and hygienic techniques in needle insertion, manipulation, removal and disposal.
- d. Demonstrate skills required in the event of any adverse reaction to the acupuncture treatment.
- e. Demonstrate skills and behaviour in the event of an accident involving the application of acupuncture.

Session Plans

1	History of Acupuncture
2	Health and Safety
3	Contraindications and accident procedures
4	Needle insertion, manipulation and Removal
5	Introduction to the Transporting points on arms and legs

Assessment Requirements

Assessment	Weighting
1. History of Acupuncture. Written assessment	25%
2. Health and Safety. Written assessment and demonstration of skills.	25%
3. Needle techniques. Written assessment and demonstration of skills	50%
80% attendance and active participation	Competent /Non Competent

Students will be expected to participate as both client and practitioner to achieve a pass in this subject.

References

Acupuncture a Comprehensive Text *Bensky*