Overview

The therapeutic powers of herbal remedies have been recognized in China for thousands of years. Recently the healing properties of natural herbs have received public attention and medical validation in the West, which has created new career opportunities for experts in the field.

According to Dr. Jennifer Brett, Director of the University of Bridgeport Acupuncture Institute, “Demand is growing for acupuncturists to have training in both acupuncture and Chinese herbal medicine.” The Master of Science in Chinese Herbology (MS-CH) program is designed to complement previous training in Acupuncture and other health science fields. As part of the Health Sciences Division at UB, the MS-CH degree program will enhance learning opportunities by giving students the opportunity to receive specialized training in herbology.

Over the course of this two-year program, students will study botanicals, diet therapies, ecological impacts, pharmacy practices, drug-herb interactions and become proficient in the theories and practical applications of Chinese materia medica for a wide variety of patient populations.
**Program Details**

The Master of Science in Chinese Herbology degree program is designed for currently licensed or registered healthcare professionals whose scope of practice includes the use of Chinese herbs and formulae. The MS-CH degree can be used as preparation for the national board exams in Chinese herbology only by those who have accredited acupuncture degrees. Only upon passing the requisite NCCAOM exams in Chinese Herbology, practitioners may use the title “Diplomate in Chinese Herbology.”

**MS Chinese Herbology Curriculum**

The MS-CH program is two years in length (22 months) and is scheduled on a semester basis. The curriculum consists of four distinct areas: Herbal Medicine Survey (AHM); Asian/Chinese Herbology (ACH); Related Areas; and Clinical Education (ACC). This degree program is primarily residential with students completing 50% of their course work and 100% of their clinical rotations in residence. The Asian/Chinese Herbology (ACH) courses are offered in a blended format with 50% of the didactic program offered online and 50% during four weekends each semester, and an additional three weekends each summer for a total of 11 weekends a year. Students participate in an online environment to complete their Asian/Chinese Herbology studies.

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