



# MASTER OF HEALTH SCIENCE (CHINESE MEDICINE)

*2017 study information*



# Welcome!

A MESSAGE FROM  
THE NEW ZEALAND SCHOOL OF ACUPUNCTURE  
AND TRADITIONAL CHINESE MEDICINE

*Be among that group of practitioners that “are essential in developing research that informs practice, improves the quality of practice and leads to the heightened use of evidence in acupuncture clinical decision making.”* — J Damien Ryan

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Dr Debra Betts (Director of Postgraduate Programmes)



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## MASTER OF HEALTH SCIENCE (CHINESE MEDICINE)

NZQA Level 9

Prerequisite: Bachelor's degree in a  
Chinese Medicine-related subject

Duration of study: 3 years part-time

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*The following papers are core papers*

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MHS801

### **Advanced research methods**

*First and second year part-time*

Examines appropriate research for Complementary and Alternative Medicine (CAM) including use of literature, qualitative, quantitative, mixed methods, ethical issues and approval, and specific knowledge and practical skills for the critique, design and conduct of research. This will specifically build your capability to conduct independent research.

MHS802

### **Contemporary perspectives in complementary and alternative medicine**

*First year part-time*

Models of health, philosophy and paradigms influence the delivery of healthcare and determines what is acceptable evidence and research. This paper explores how Chinese medicine positions itself within Complementary and Alternative medicine (CAM) and Western medicine. This paper also explores how to communicate with western health practitioners about current Chinese medical research and how to develop appropriate research questions to reflect Chinese medicine practice.

MHS803

### **Small scale project**

*Second year part-time*

This paper is a guided independent project management course that will ensure you understand the processes and tools required to successfully manage a small, independent project. You will have the opportunity to practice research skills through exploring a subject area of your choosing that relates to healthcare and/or professional issues and/or Chinese medicine.

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Choose one of the following elective papers

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MHS901

**Chinese medicine for musculoskeletal health**

*First and second year part-time*

This paper extends your knowledge and professional competency within approaches to musculoskeletal health in CM practice. Participation in workshops will be facilitated by expert practitioners and supported by work-based learning activities that will help support incorporation of evidence-based innovative approaches into practice.

MHS902

**Chinese medicine for women's health**

*First and second year part-time*

This paper extends your knowledge and professional competency within approaches to women's health in CM practice. Participation in workshops will be facilitated by expert practitioners and supported by work-based learning activities that will help support incorporation of evidence-based innovative approaches into practice.

MHS903

**Chinese medicine for mental health**

*First and second year part-time*

This paper extends your knowledge and professional competency within approaches to mental health in CM practice. Participation in workshops will be facilitated by expert practitioners and supported by work-based learning activities that will help support incorporation of evidence-based innovative approaches into practice.

MHS904

**Chinese herbal therapy**

*First and second year part-time*

This paper extends your knowledge and professional competency within approaches to Chinese Herbal Medical practice. Participation in workshops will be facilitated by expert practitioners and supported by problem-based learning activities that will help support incorporation of evidence-based innovative approaches into practice.

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Choose one of the following research papers

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MHS905

**Empirical Project**

*Third year part-time*

This is a supervised research project that provides learners with the experience of undertaking an in-depth independent project relevant to their own field of practice. The project may be directly related to clinical practice, or may explore clinical management or innovation associated with other relevant aspects of TCM practice.

MHS906

**Literature Dissertation**

*Third year part-time*

This is a supervised in-depth literature-based project where exploration of a selected research question is conducted through an extended review of the relevant literature. Formulation of conclusions and recommendations are prepared within a report to inform individual practice and that of the professional community.

## AT A GLANCE

The new Master of Health Science (Chinese Medicine) course offers students high quality professional development, designed to support clinical acupuncture practice and research in the TCM area.

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For any questions and enquires you are welcome to contact our Director of Postgraduate Programmes, Debra Betts [debra.betts@nzsao.com](mailto:debra.betts@nzsao.com)

### Qualification

Master of Health Science  
(Chinese Medicine)

Course code	Level
PC3000	9

### Delivery mode

Blended learning: block course followed by online supported study.

### Location

Wellington (1-week block course)

### Duration

3 years' part-time study

### Intake

July 2017

### 2017 Fees NZ and Australia- pricing per year

Admin fee \$230

Course fees \$5,306 (GST Inclusive)

### 2017 International Students pricing per year

Admin fee \$230

Course fees \$8,333 (GST Inclusive)

### IT Requirements for students

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Intel Core i3 2.5GHz Processor

100GB of free drive space 4GB

of total available ram Windows

7 or later

Mac OSX 10.6.8 or higher

A headset for use with Big Blue Button

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## CONTINUE WITH YOUR CLINICAL PRACTICE

The part-time course has been designed with flexibility in mind with only one block course, saving on travel time and expense.

## GAIN RESEARCH CONFIDENCE

Students are encouraged to critically discuss and engage with the latest health research and literature with access to journals.

## MEET GUEST LECTURERS

Gain the knowledge and experience from leaders in acupuncture research, such as Dr Hugh McPherson, Charles Buck and Claudia Citkovitz - with more to come!

Please visit [www.acupuncture.ac.nz](http://www.acupuncture.ac.nz) for updates.

## ENGAGE IN YOUR OWN RESEARCH PROJECT

Develop the skills to complete a research project in an area of interest during your final year and contribute to the acupuncture profession.

## SMALL MASTERS COHORT

To optimize learning and support.



*For more info,  
visit our  
website*