

Online Course: Introduction Chinese Herbology

The course content for this online course relates directly to the course delivered on campus and has been converted to an online platform that students will find extremely user friendly.

Introduction Chinese Herbology is a rich and informative 15-hour course (completed in 15 weeks/4 months) in basic Chinese herbology and will be suitable for anyone 16 years of age or older with Grade 11 education. Individuals 18 years of age and older may apply as a Mature Student.

Meet our instructor

Joanne Van Allen Sinclair, R.TCMP, BGS, Academic Dean, Instructor. Joanne began her studies at KCCIHS (formerly ACOS) during its second year of operation and has been a main instructor for over thirteen years in the College's Acupuncture, TCM, and clinical departments. Since 2014 she has acted as the Academic Dean. She has a Bachelor of General Studies from Thompson Rivers University and has over thirteen years of clinical experiences as a Registered Traditional Chinese Medicine Practitioner (RTCMP). She has a background in Bio-Dynamic and medicinal herb farming and helped to create the Kootenay's first Community Supported Agriculture Program (CSA). This experience, along with her love of herbs and gardening, has led to the creation of KCCIHS's (formerly ACOS) first online herb course. Currently, she is in the process of creating several more courses which integrate knowledge of Chinese and Western Herbs.

What your course fee includes:

Your course fee of \$365.00 will include a herb sample kit (of 15 herbs), a textbook and course handout which will be mailed to you once you are enrolled.

Who would be interested in taking this course?

- Those who have an interest in traditional Chinese medicine
- Anyone who has an interest in herbology or natural health
- Patients of Chinese medicine practitioners
- Prospective students who plan to enroll at KCCIHS
- Health care professionals
- Health conscious individuals
- High School and College students
- Medical Students

What will it be like taking the course, how many hours of study?

You are expected to complete at least one lesson per week for 15 weeks. Deadlines for assignments, quizzes and projects are provided at the beginning of the course.

We estimate 1-2 hours of study time to complete each lesson including assignments and quizzes. Your marks will be made available to you either online or via email.

There will be weekly forums and your instructor is always available via email and will set office hours for responding to questions.

Online Learning – Is it for you?

Online learning is unlike the traditional classroom setting. With the freedom and flexibility of the online environment comes responsibility. The online process takes a real commitment and discipline to keep up with the flow of the process. To find out if online learning is for you, we encourage you to visit the following resource sites:

Is online learning for you? from www.OnlineLearning.net

What makes a successful online student from the Illinois Online Network

Courses begin every September , January and May.

Application Deadline is on September 4th, December 30th and April 29th.

Application Process

- Complete Application Form online, or download and print, mailing together with application fee of \$50.00 in cheque or money order payable to KCCIHS (email transfer and credit card payments possible, please call us, if you choose one of these payment methods).
 - If you are a Mature Student (18 years of age or more) you are not required to submit transcripts, but **must supply a photocopy of government issued identification.**
 - If you are 16 years of age and have completed Grade 11 please submit an Official Transcript (or have your institution send one directly to us) as proof you have completed Grade 11.
- Once you are accepted, you will be forwarded a Student Contract via email.

- Return the signed Student Contract by email together with the course fee payment of \$365.00. Once the contract and payment is received, your course materials and herb kit will be sent out to you.

The online course will be delivered in English only and requires basic proficiency in the English language.

Credential provided upon completion

You will be mailed an official transcript and Certificate of Completion upon successful completion of the course.

Transfer credits to KCCIHS full time programs

If you are planning to enroll in studies at the Academy, we will provide you with full credit for our onsite course towards your diploma.