



Master of Acupuncture Educational Objectives

Academy for Five Element Acupuncture is dedicated to preparing graduates to practice as independent health care practitioners and to work cooperatively with other health care providers. Graduates of the Master of Acupuncture program will be able to:

Understand the theory and philosophy of Five Element Acupuncture, including the roots of Oriental medicine, traditional diagnostic methods (seeing the whole person), meridian pathways, points and pulses, the Five Elements in nature and acupuncture in relation to other healing systems.

Apply knowledge to patients by recognizing the cause of symptoms through touch, smell, hearing and seeing, accurate pulse taking, treatment planning based on traditional diagnosis, determination of timing and sequence of treatment, as well as safe and competent application of practical techniques.

Understand themselves as acupuncture practitioners, using a holistic approach to body/mind/spirit, appreciating their limits and areas for growth and knowing when to refer to other resources.

Operate a professional office by knowing how to schedule and manage patient records according to the requirements of an acupuncture practice, maintain appropriate office and patient records, abide by legal and insurance requirements of an acupuncture practice, including standards for sanitation, safe needle techniques, emergency procedures and patient safety.

For a complete course listing, download our catalog at www.acupuncturist.edu

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