

CMPL 7027 WOMEN'S HEALTH IN CHINESE MEDICINE 2

Credit Points 10

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Description This subject enables practitioners to extend their understanding of a range of gynaecological and obstetric disorders and to diagnose and treat these primarily using Chinese herbal medicine. The clinical focus of this subject is on the integration of Traditional Chinese Medicine (TCM) in the treatment of complex disorders of the menstrual cycle, infertility, obstetric disorders, menopause, pelvic and breast disease.

School Health Sciences

Discipline Traditional Chinese Medicine

Student Contribution Band HECS Band 2 10cp

Level Postgraduate Coursework Level 7 subject

Equivalent Subjects CMPL 7027 - Women's Health in Chinese Medicine 2

Assumed Knowledge

Assumed knowledge equivalent to undergraduate training in Traditional Chinese Medicine. Students must have completed a minimum of two years training in raw Chinese herbal medicine prescribing as part of their overall undergraduate training.

Learning Outcomes

On successful completion of this subject, students should be able to:

1. Analyse symptoms and signs and diagnose the disease and syndrome for a range of complex gynaecological and obstetric diseases, including infertility
2. Interpret the range of medical diagnostic tests commonly used in western medicine investigation of complex gynaecological and obstetric disorders and infertility
3. Integrate TCM and orthodox medicine in the diagnosis and where appropriate, management of complex gynaecological and obstetric disorders and fertility
4. Analyse and critically examine practice protocols in TCM compared to orthodox management
5. Articulate the strengths and limitations of Chinese herbal medicine in the treatment of complex gynaecological and obstetric diseases

Subject Content

Integration of TCM and orthodox medicine in diagnosis and management (with an emphasis on Chinese herbal treatment) of complex gynaecological and obstetric disorders including:

1. Menstrual-related disorders
 - Disordered menstrual cycle
 - Dysmenorrhoea
 - signs & Symptoms associated with menstruation
 - dysfunctional uterine bleeding
 - Endometriosis/adenomyosis
2. Menopausal disorders

3. Breast disorders
 - Fibrocystic breast disease
 - breast cancer
4. Pelvic disorders & discharges
 - Inflammatory conditions
 - Ovarian cysts
 - Polycystic ovaries
 - uterine fibroids
 - Cervical dysplasia
 - Pelvic Inflammatory disease
 - Leukorrhoea
 - Thrush
5. Infertility
 - commonly used Western medical diagnostic tests
 - Western medical management of Infertility
 - female Factors
 - Male Factors
 - Diagnosis & treatment
 - TCM role in art
6. Obstetric-related disorders
 - Threatened miscarriage
 - Intrauterine growth retardation
 - Pregnancy-induced hypertension
 - Incomplete abortion
 - Postnatal Depression
 - Lactation disorders
7. Fu Ke Classic literature
8. Strengths & limitations of TCM management in gynaecology & obstetrics
9. Referring to Western medicine practitioners: who, when, how, why

Teaching Periods