

American College of Traditional Chinese Medicine

TCM Dermatology Specialization Certificate

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Dear Prospective Student,

Thank you for your interest in the TCM Dermatology Specialization Certificate. The following letter outlines the application process, prerequisites, and important program dates. Please read through the material carefully and complete your application. **All applications must be received by ACTCM no later than Friday, August 13th at 5pm.**

Program Overview:

ACTCM is excited to launch this unique TCM Dermatology Specialization Certificate Program in January of 2011. Although TCM Dermatology is well established in China, there are only a few classes available in the U.S. **This is why ACTCM is proud to be the first Chinese medicine college in the U.S. to offer a specialization certificate in TCM Dermatology.** ACTCM recognizes the need for developing the art and science of TCM Dermatology and is delighted to offer this program to its graduates and other qualified practitioners.

264-hour certificate program will include didactic instruction on common and/or hard-to-treat dermatological conditions such as: acne, lupus, rosacea, scleroderma, ulcers, vitiligo and warts. Additionally, the curriculum includes 90 hours of clinical training, including clinic theater, grand rounds, and instruction in compounding herbal pastes, creams and other external applications.

Start Date: January 16, 2011

Schedule: 2-day meetings (Sun and Mon) approximately every 6 weeks January 2011-June 2012

Cost: \$500 deposit due October 15, 2010 plus \$3,000 tuition (quarterly payment plan available)

Application & Admissions Process:

Application: Please complete the TCM Dermatology Certificate Application and submit along with the required supplemental materials to Bria Larson at ACTCM by August 13, 2010. An ACTCM representative will notify you when we have received your application and to schedule an interview.

Interview: We will schedule in-person interviews with applicants on August 31st and September 7th. If you cannot make an in-person interview we will consider a phone interview.

Review: After reviewing applications and interviewing prospective students, ACTCM will make final decisions on acceptance into the program. Acceptance letters will be sent no later than September 17, 2010.

Deposit: After being accepted into the program, you must secure your place with a \$500 deposit by October 15th, 2010.

Prerequisite: for admission into the specialization certificate is completion of ONE of the following ACTCM Master's Program courses: *TCM Dermatology* OR *External Medicine*.

In order to complete the certificate program, students must complete BOTH *TCM Dermatology* and *External Medicine*. External Medicine will be offered as a CEU in November and December 2010. Students must take both External Medicine Part I and External Medicine Part II to receive credit towards the TCM Dermatology Certificate.

External Medicine Dates:

November 6-7, 2010 (Saturday and Sunday): External Medicine Part I

December 4-5, 2010 (Saturday and Sunday): External Medicine Part II

Cost: \$560

Professor Yu will offer special sections *TCM Dermatology* concurrently during of the certificate program for students enrolled in the certificate program.

Important Program Dates:

August 13, 2010: Application deadline

August 23-September 10, 2010: Applicant interviews

September 17, 2010: Acceptance letters mailed to applicants

October 15, 2010: \$500 Program deposit due

November 6-7, 2010: External Medicine Part I

December 4-5, 2010: External Medicine Part II

January 16-17, 2011: TCM Dermatology Certificate Program Launch

Full TCM Dermatology Certificate Program Schedule

Sundays and Mondays:

- January 16-17, 2011
- February 27-28, 2011
- April 10-11, 2011
- May 22-23, 2011
- June 26-27, 2011
- July 17-18, 2011
- August 21-22, 2011
- September 25-26, 2011
- November 6-7, 2011
- December 4-5, 2011
- January 29-30, 2012
- March 11-12, 2012
- April 22-23, 2012
- June 3-4, 2012

Again, thank you for your interest in ACTCM. If you have any further questions about the program or application process, please contact Bria Larson, Development Officer at brialarson@actcm.edu. We look forward to hearing from you.