



HLT60112 **Advanced Diploma of Western Herbal Medicine**

Overview

Western Herbal Medicine is one of the oldest systems of medicine. It is increasingly being validated by scientific investigation which seeks to understand the active chemistry of the plant. It uses botanicals as medicine for individualised treatment protocols and with a mixture of traditional and evidence base research. You will gain skills in how to operate your own Western Herbal dispensary, blend herbal medicine and make poultices and other remedies.

This course will engage you in all aspects of Western Herbal Medicine, dietary advice, phytotherapy and the manufacturing and processing of plant materials for optimum therapeutic use.

New Integrated Patient Centered Curriculum

With the aim of establishing successful clinical practice, from their first year, students begin clinical training as observers within an industry network. This integration of multiple basic science disciplines with practical case studies, supports students in learning how the disciplines work together to support various body systems.

You'll learn to:

- Provide clients with modern Western Herbal Medicine remedies and applications
- Provide clinical skills and educate people in how to use their Herbal Remedies
- Apply herbal treatment and dietary planning principles from an evidence based approach
- Develop the entrepreneurial skills essential for establishing a dynamic thriving clinic
- Blend unique mixtures of herbal preparations specially tailored to your clients individual needs

Career Opportunities

- Herbalist in private practice or at a clinic dedicated to Western Herbal Medicine
- Western Herbal medicine spokesperson/advisor
- Product development and specialist advice
- Health professional, author, journalist, health writer, public speaker
- Educator in Western Herbal Medicine

Accreditation

This qualification is nationally recognised under the Australian Qualification Framework (AQF). It is also accredited with ATMS (Australian Traditional Medicine Society), which is the largest professional association for natural therapies in Australia. Australis also has accreditation with the CMA (Complementary Medicine Association) as well as the IICT (International Institute for Complementary Therapists).

Entry Requirements

There are no entry requirements for this qualification. You may enrol into this course at any time and begin studying shortly after enrolment.

Duration & Cost

This is a 30 month course, with a cost of \$23,900.

Students in the Advanced Diploma of Western Herbal Medicine must complete the following curriculum

Western Herbal Medicine Core Subjects

Students will complete the following subjects in order to gain their qualification.

- Anatomy & Physiology
- Nutrition 1
- Microbiology
- WHS
- Herbal Medicine 1
- Chemistry (Introduction)
- Biochemistry (Introduction)
- Advanced Anatomy & Physiology
- Counselling
- Pathophysiology & Symptomatology
- History & Philosophy
- Working Well with Others
- Herbal Medicine 2
- Research Skills
- Professionalism in Practice
- Herbal Medicine 3
- Herbal Medicine 4
- Holistic Integration

Clinical Training

250 hours supervised clinical work experience

Core Units

Subjects in this course are comprised of the following nationally recognised units of competency.

Unit of Competency	Unit of Competency Code
Provide dietary advice	HLTHER607C
Confirm physical health status	HLTAP401B*
Provide western herbal medicine treatment	HLTHER609D
Manage the control of infection	HLTIN504D**
Contribute to WHS processes	HLTWHS300A
Analyse health information	HLTAP501C
Communicate effectively with clients	HLTCOM404C
Manage work within the western herbal medicine framework	HLTHER602D
Contribute to effective workplace relationships	BSBFLM303C
Maintain an effective health work environment	HLTHIR501C
Operate a western herbal medicine dispensary	HLTHER603D
Make referrals to other health care professionals when appropriate	HLTCOM406C
Develop professional expertise	HLTCOM502C
Manage a practice	HLTCOM503D
Reflect on and improve own professional practice	CHCORG428A
Apply first aid	HLTFA311A^
Plan the western herbal medicine treatment strategy	HLTHER605C
Apply western herbal medicine diagnostic framework	HLTHER601C
Prepare and dispense western herbal medicine	HLTHER606D
Provide specialised western herbal medicine treatment	HLTHER608C
Perform western herbal medicine health assessment	HLTHER604C

Prerequisite Units

Unit of Competency	Unit of Competency Code
Comply with infection control policies and procedures	HLTIN301C**

* HLTAP401B Confirm physical health status, is a prerequisite to HLTAP501C Analyse health information.

** HLTIN301C Comply with infection control policies and procedures, is a prerequisite to HLTIN504D. This unit will be provided on a separate Statement of Attainment upon being marked competent. This unit will be trained at no cost.

^ HLTFA311A will be awarded after completion of HLTAID003 with an external RTO provider. This unit will then be credit transferred to allow HLTFA311A to be included on your Advanced Diploma certificate. If you choose to study this unit with our recommended partner, this will be at no additional cost.

The Advanced Diploma of Western Herbal Medicine is delivered using Blended Learning

Blended Learning combines face-to-face and online study.

Students must complete the practical/clinical assessments of their course face-to-face, but have the flexibility of online learning to complete the theoretical components of the course.

This approach gives students the flexibility around attendance and helps overcome distance issues in Australia, given the percentage of the population residing outside of capital cities.

Students benefit from:

- Direct face-to-face learning with current industry trainers
- Practical peer learning components
- Self-paced online learning
- Up to date relevant training content
- A virtual campus environment
- Interactive online discussion forums
- Access to career advisor
- Email support
- Phone support
- Industry related webinars

Practical Assessment Workshops

To provide our students with the most engaging learning experience, Australis Natural Health College comes to you. We are conducting practical assessment workshops at facilities in all major capital cities throughout the country.

Workshops commenced in May 2015 and are run frequently Brisbane, Sydney, Melbourne, Tasmania, Adelaide and Perth.

Upcoming Workshop dates:

Brisbane

Proposed Dates: 16, 17, 18, 19th of November – exact dates of workshop confirmed one month prior based on numbers

Venue: Australis College, Level 2 / 170 Leichhardt Street, Spring Hill QLD 4000

Time: 9am to 4pm

Sydney

Proposed Dates: 10, 11, 12, 13, 14th of October – exact dates of workshop confirmed one month prior based on numbers

Venue: Level 6 – 10 / 10 Barrack Street, Sydney NSW 2000

Time: 9am to 4pm

Melbourne

Proposed Dates: 17, 18, 19, 20, 21st of October – exact dates of workshop confirmed one month prior based on numbers

Venue: Level 6 – 8 / 500 Collins Street, Melbourne VIC 3000

Time: 9am to 4pm

Perth

Proposed Dates: 31st of October, 1st of November – exact dates of workshop confirmed one month prior based on numbers

Venue: Level 1, 484 Albany Highway, Victoria Park WA 6100

Time: 9am to 4pm

Tasmania (near Launceston)

Proposed Dates: 7, 8th of November – exact dates of workshop confirmed one month prior based on numbers

Venue: 200 Norwich Drive, Longford TAS 7301

Time: 9:00am to 4:00pm

Cairns

Proposed Dates: 2, 3, 4, 5th, of October – exact dates of workshop confirmed one month prior based on numbers

Venue: Cairns Sheridan Hotel, 295 Sheridan St, Cairns QLD 4870

Time: 9:00 am to 4:00 pm

Adelaide

Proposed Dates: 24, 25th of October – exact dates of workshop confirmed one month prior based on numbers

Venue: Express Training Connections, Lvl 5, 38 Gawler Placet, Adelaide SA 5000

Time: 9:00 am to 4:00 pm

Clinical Placement

It is a requirement for industry accreditation that a certain number of hours of supervised clinical practice is undertaken. Some of these hours will be completed during the practical assessment workshops. The rest will need to be completed externally. The total clinical hours to be completed are:

Western Herbal Medicine: 250 hours

Australis Natural Health College through its Natural Health Training Support Officer will support students in finding clinical placement with an ATMS approve