

South Africa 2025

CERTIFIED VETERINARY SMALL ANIMAL ACUPUNCTURIST (CVA) PROGRAM in SOUTH AFRICA with 138 EDUCATION HOURS

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ELECTRO-ACUPUNCTURE





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AQUA-ACUPUNCTURE

32 Hours Hands-on Acupoint Labs + 12 Hours On-site Tutoring and Real Case Demos 94 Hours Online Lectures and Lab Demos

Complimentary 32-hour Evidence-based Veterinary Acupuncture Course

LEARN FROM WORLD-RENOWNED EDUCATORS AND PRACTITIONERS IN VETERINARY ACUPUNCTURE

Learn from instructors with over 80 years combined experience practicing and teaching veterinary acupuncture and Traditional Chinese Veterinary Medicine (TCVM), including world-renowned speakers Drs. Huisheng Xie, President and Founder of Chi University, and Roselle Hartwigsen, Director of Chi University South Africa.

THE BENEFITS OF HANDS-ON EXPERIENCE PLUS THE CONVENIENCE OF ONLINE LEARNING

Chi's hybrid learning system incorporates hands-on experience through small on-site acupoint labs, real acupuncture case demos, and case presentations. In Chi's state-of-the-art online learning portal, knowledge is gained through virtual lectures & demos you can stream at your convenience.

JOIN THE CHI FAMILY, GET LIFE-LONG SUPPORT

More than 10,000 veterinarians from over 75 countries have completed courses at Chi since its founding in 1998. This community of (TCVM) practitioners share knowledge & support at the annual international conference and through Chi's online forums. All Chi graduates receive free lifetime case consultation from Chi faculty.

LEARN FROM THE MASTER OF VETERINARY ACUPUNCTURE



1 To 6 INSTRUCTOR TO STUDENT RATIO: INTENSIVE HANDS-ON



ONE MORE TOOL FOR YOUR TOOLBOX ONE MORE OPTION FOR YOUR PATIENTS



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LEARN FROM THE BEST

Chi's faculty is comprised of world-renowned veterinary acupuncturists and educators who actively treat patients using the same modalities they teach. Learn more about your CVA instructors and register to become a Certified Veterinary Acupuncturist at chiu.edu/courses/ACUP100_ZAF_EN.

Dr. Huisheng Xie DVM, PhD Founder and President of Chi University

Dr. Xie has 41 years of clinical, teaching, and research experience in veterinary acupuncture and TCVM. He has trained over 10,000 veterinarians to practice TCVM worldwide. Dr. Xie's education includes advanced training in veterinary medicine, veterinary acupuncture, and human acupuncture. Dr. Xie has authored 20 books and over 100 peer-reviewed papers. His textbooks, including *Xie's Veterinary Herbology, Xie's Veterinary Acupuncture*, and *Traditional Chinese Veterinary Medicine-Fundamental Principles*, have been used for TCVM training programs around the world. Dr. Xie continues to teach and develop educational courses and programs at Chi University, served as a full clinical professor at the University of Florida's College of Veterinary Medicine, and is an honorary professor at China Agricultural University, South China Agricultural University.



Dr. Carmen Booyse BVSc, BSc (Agric) Animal Science, BSc (Hons) Wildlife Management, CVA, CVTP

Dr. Carmen Booyse was raised on a small farm outside of Hartbeespoort, South Africa. She developed a love for animals at a very early age, helping them heal and communicating with them was her passion. She completed her BSc Animal Science degree at the University of Pretoria and was accepted into the Wildlife Management honors program the following year. After completing her honors degree, she continued with her tertiary education and completed her Veterinary Medicine degree at the Faculty of Veterinary Science, Onderstepoort in 2011. Her humble but passionate beginning as a veterinarian started fresh out of varsity. She worked at a mixed animal practice for five years where she was inspired to become an internationally qualified veterinary acupuncturist through the Chi University. She expanded her knowledge further when she was introduced to alternative healing modalities, as her passion has always been hands-on healing and rehabilitation.



Dr. Roselle Hartwigsen BSc, (veterinary biology) BVSc, MSc (Companion animal clinical studies), CVA

Dr. Roselle Hartwigsen qualified as a veterinarian from the University of Pretoria in 2011. Thereafter she was certified as a Veterinary Acupuncturist in 2013 from Chi University-Europe. She spent the next couple of years working in private practice, integrating complimentary medicine especially acupuncture when treating patients. Her clients are found in South Africa, Botswana and Dubai. In 2016 she spent a year treating horses exclusively and bringing veterinary acupuncture to the horse racing industry in Gauteng.

Dr. Roselle has a passion for integrating complimentary veterinary medicine into daily veterinary care in South Africa. One way she tries to achieve this is by teaching veterinarians through the Complimentary Veterinary Medicine Group of South Africa (CVMG) and Chi University.

Dr. Sarah Peters BVSc, CVA

Dr. Peters first became interested in TCVM after her own dog became very ill. Western medicine had reached its limits and she faced the probability of having to euthanize him. Out of desperation, she gave TCVM a try and much to her surprise, it made all the difference.

Afterwards, she travelled to the USA to attend the Chi Institute and became certified in acupuncture. Since, it has been an extremely rewarding and exciting journey both practicing and teaching acupuncture. In the future she would like to see corroboration with conventional vets. She believes eastern and western medicine can harmoniously work side by side, and our pets deserve the best of both worlds.

Chi's faculty expertly guide you through the learning process during the course and provide free lifetime email case consultation after you graduate.



CVA PROGRAM OVERVIEW

The course begins with an overview of fundamental aspects of Chinese Medicine, including *Yin-Yang* and Five Elements theory, which serve as a foundation for case diagnoses and treatment presented later in the class. A variety of acupuncture techniques are taught, including electro-acupuncture, aqua-acupuncture, moxibustion, etc. in addition to conventional "dry" needling. In acupoint labs, students learn acupuncture points on live dogs.

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Chi's hands-on acupoint labs and low student-to-instructor ratio ensure you gain the confidence to start practicing acupuncture after the first on-site session.

The course is presented in 2 online sessions and 3 hybrid sessions. Each hybrid session includes two segments: online & on-site. Online segments are comprised of lectures and case demos that students can stream at their own convenience. On-site segments give students the opportunity to learn acupuncture points on live animals in small acupoint lab groups of four to six students per instructor. The on-site segment of this course is located in Rustenburg, South Africa.



Class is limited to 20 students for an intensive & intimate learning experience

Session 1 - Online Segment 21 Online Lectures

Program Introduction History of Veterinary Acupuncture What Is Acupuncture Veterinary Acupuncture: Scientific Basis Yin-Yang **Eight Principles** Five Elements Zang-Fu Physiology Channels and Meridians General Rules of Acupuncture Indications for Veterinary Acupuncture How to Start Your Acupuncture Practice: Cookbook How to Integrate Acupuncture into Your Practice Small Animal Anatomy for Acupuncturists

Session 2 - Online Segment 16 Online Lectures

Five Elements and *Zang-Fu* Physiology Five-*Shu* Transporting Points Other Special Points (Source Points, Back-*Shu* and Front-*Mu* Points, Influential Points) and TCVM Diagnosis Intro How to Treat Gastrointestinal Disorders How to Treat Respiratory Disorders How to Treat *Bi / Wei* Syndromes, Osteoarthritis and IVDD

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How to Treat Canine Diseases Canine Acupuncture Cases

Session 2 - On-site Segment

DAY 1

AM	Small Animal Acupoint Lab
	Lunch
РМ	Small Animal Acupoint Lab
DAY 2	

A	M	Small Animal Acupoint Lab
		Lunch
PI	Μ	Small Animal Acupoint Lab

Session 3 - Online Segment 23 Online Lectures

Five Treasures: *Qi*, Blood, *Shen, Jing*, Body Fluid Physiology and Pathology TCVM Diagnosis Eight Extraordinary Channels Etiology and Pathology How to Select Acupoints Acupuncture for Neurological Disorders How to Approach Clinical Cases How to Improve Acupuncture Results Small Animal Cases: TCVM Approach Dry Lab: How to Make a TCVM Diagnosis

Session 4 - On-site Segment

DAY 1

AM	Small Animal Acupoint Lab			
	Lunch			
PM	Small Animal Acupoint Lab			
DAY 2				
AM	Small Animal Acupoint Lab			
	Lunch			
PM	Small Animal Acupoint Lab			

Session 4 - Online Segment 19 Online Lectures

Treating Renal Failure, Heart Failure, and Behavioral Problems Herbal Introduction Food Therapy Intro Acupuncture for the Liver

TUITION INCLUDES:



Complimentary 'Evidence-based Veterinary Acupuncture' Online Course including 32 AAVSB RACE approved CEs (\$900 Value)



1 Year World Association of Traditional Chinese Veterinary Medicine Membership and Benefits (\$85 Value). This program is accredited by the WATCVM



Complimentary Canine Acupuncture Charts and Client FAQ Brochures (up to \$160 Value)



This course is taught in English.

How to Treat Skin Problems Acupuncture for Cancer Feline Acupuncture Case Studies from Students Avian Acupuncture Exotic Animal Acupuncture

Session 5 - Online Segment 15 Online Lectures

Acupuncture for Endocrine Disorders Acupuncture for Immune-Mediated Diseases Clinical Applications of TCVM Introduction to *Tui-na* Liver Physiology and Pathology Lung Physiology and Pathology Spleen Physiology and Pathology Heart Physiology and Pathology Kidney Physiology and Pathology TCVM Overview How to Sell TCVM

Session 5 - On-site Segment

AM	Small Animal Acupoint Lab Review
	Q&A
	Lunch
РМ	Small Animal Acupoint Lab Review
	Q&A

DAY 2

AM	Small Animal Acupoint Lab Review			
	Q&A			
	Lunch			
РМ	Clinical Acupoint Exam			

DAY 3

AM Written Exam Graduation Dinner Party





ON-SITE PORTION LOCATION : Rustenburg, South Africa

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Goals for student after each on-site portion: Session 2 - Practice acupuncture on patients Session 4 - Practice acupuncture more efficiently Session 5 - Integrate acupuncture in daily practice

2025 SOUTH AFRICA CVA SCHEDULE & TUITION

SESSION	LOCATION	DATES	SOUTH AFRICA STUDENT	INTERNATIONAL STUDENT
1	ONLINE	1 FEB - 31 MAR, 2025	ZAR 8,000	\$1,050
2	ONLINE ON-SITE	1 APR - 31 MAY, 2025 7 - 8 MAY, 2025	ZAR 13,000	\$1,630
3	ONLINE	1 JUN - 29 AUG, 2025	ZAR 7,000	\$950
4	ON-SITE ONLINE	30 - 31 AUG, 2025 1 SEP - 31 OCT, 2025	ZAR 13,000	\$1,630
5	ONLINE ON-SITE	1 NOV - 5 DEC, 2025 6 - 8 DEC, 2025	ZAR 14,100	\$1,370

For information regarding location & on-site accommodations, please contact Dr. Roselle Hartwigsen by email at southafrica@tcvm.com.

Tuition is due 30 days prior to the 1st day of each session.

A \$200 non-refundable course deposit is charged upon enrollment to reserve your seat. Session 1 tuition includes \$100 application fee.

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CHI UNIVERSITY: THE WORLD'S LEADING POST-GRADUATE EDUCATION CENTER FOR TRADITIONAL CHINESE & INTEGRATIVE VETERINARY MEDICINE

Chi University (previously the Chi Institute) was established by Dr. Huisheng Xie in 1998. It is dedicated to providing the highest quality AAVSB RACE-approved* continuing education courses and academic programs in veterinary acupuncture, Traditional Chinese Veterinary Medicine (TCVM) and Integrative Veterinary Medicine (IVM) exclusively to veterinarians and veterinary students.

Chi University offers the only licensed and accredited Master's Degree Program in TCVM in the U.S. This comprehensive program provides in-depth knowledge of the fundamental principles of TCVM, acupuncture points and techniques, Chinese herbal materia medica and formulations, food therapy, and *Tui-na* (Chinese medical manipulation) as well as the only Master's Degree Programs in IVM in the World. Chi University has been accredited by the Distance Education Accrediting Commission (DEAC) that is recognized by the

US Department of Education and Council for Higher Education Accreditation (CHEA) since 2019.

With a state-of-the-art 90-acre main campus in Reddick, Florida USA, and international



courses based in Australia, China, Costa Rica, Peru, Romania, Indonesia, Japan, Malaysia, South Africa, South Korea, Spain, Taiwan, Thailand and the United Kingdom, Chi University has proudly graduated more than 9,000 veterinarians from over 75 countries and regions. Learn more & register at chiu.edu

