

# 2024 COSTA RICA CERTIFIED VETERINARY BALANCE METHOD ACUPUNCTURIST COURSE



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Acupuncture has evolved since thousands of years. Recent investigations demonstrate by fMRI how fast the stimulus travels and affects the brain arriving at 200 milliseconds or almost instantaneously. The response of the stimulus should yield an effect as fast as it arrives, at least in pain control. This fast response characterizes the Balance Method from I-Ching Acupuncture. If we place the needle in the correct spot the response should be immediate, within seconds or minutes after.

## SYLLABUS

### SESSION 1 | ONLINE

Introduction to Balance Method  
Breaking Down *Yin Yang*  
From *Wu-ji* to *Tai-ji* in Balance Method  
The Six Levels  
Drawing *Ba Gua*, *Fu Xi*, and *Wen Wang*  
Developing the 6 Systems  
The Holographic Concept Mirror and Image  
Systems 1 - 6  
Drawing the Matrix of 6 Systems  
Cases and Discussion Using the Matrix  
Canine and Equine Acupoints Demos  
The 5 Command Points  
Diagnosis  
Scalp Acupuncture

### SESSION 2 | ON-SITE

Review of the Balance Method Systems  
Review of Meridians and *Shu-*  
Transportation Distal Acupuncture  
Points  
Lab: Balance Method Distal Acupoints  
Lab: Case Exam, Diagnosis, Discussion,  
and Treatment

### SESSION 3 | ONLINE

Yamamoto New Scalp Acupuncture  
Tail Acupuncture  
Clinical Cases Using Balance Method  
Introduction to Global Balance  
Skin Conditions  
*Tai Yin / Yang Ming* Pattern

Approaching the Five Sense Organs  
Ear Issues and Five Senses  
Nose and Mouth Issues  
Abdominal Issues  
Digestive Disorders  
8 + 1 Exceptional points for Digestive  
Disorders  
*Jue Yin / Yang Ming* Pattern  
Side Issues  
Hormonal and Reproductive Disorders  
Balancing Back or Posterior Issues  
Frontal, Sides and Back Issues Summary  
The 12 Exceptional Points and Development  
Small Animal 12 Exceptional Points and  
Combinations  
Small Animal Case Discussions  
The Use of the 8 Extraordinary  
Meridians  
Hexagrams and Seasonal Balance  
Method  
Balance Method: Use of the 5 Elements

### SESSION 4 | ON-SITE

Final Review of Fundamental Principles of  
Balance Method  
Lab: Canine Cases using Balance Method  
Labs: Equine Cases using Balance Method



This hybrid course is  
offered in 4 sessions:  
2 online & 2 on-site.

\$750 per online session  
\$1000 per on-site session

## COSTA RICA

### SESSION 1

ONLINE 1 FEB - 6 JUN

### SESSION 2

ON-SITE 7 JUN - 9 JUN

### SESSION 3

ONLINE 10 JUN - 4 SEP

### SESSION 4

ON-SITE 5 SEP - 8 SEP

A \$150.00 non-refundable  
course deposit is charged  
upon enrollment to reserve  
your seat.

Payment is due 60 days  
before the start date of  
each session or course.



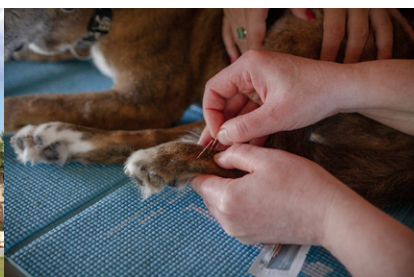
Prerequisite:  
TCVM Fundamental  
Theories or one session of  
veterinary acupuncture.



## PRIMARY INSTRUCTOR

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Dr. Alfaro received his DVM from Federal University of Parana in Brazil in 1975 and, in 1979, his Master of Science from the University of Minnesota with a focus on large animal surgery, radiology, and anesthesiology. In 2006, Dr. Alfaro became certified in veterinary acupuncture through Chi University, going on to obtain certifications in veterinary Food Therapy (2005), *Tui-na* (2011), and Chinese Herbal Medicine (2017), followed by a Master of Science in TCVM (2018). During this time, he studied under Dr. Richard Teh-Fu Tan, achieving Silver Level Certification in Balance Method Acupuncture followed by Executive Level Balance Method Practitioner Certification from The Academy of Acupuncture Balance Method in 2018. Dr. Alfaro retired as Professor of Equine Surgery at National University, Costa Rica in 2005. He continues to lecture in Costa Rica and abroad.



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