



**Acupuncture and Massage College**  
**GYN- 618**  
**TCM Gynecology**  
**SYLLABUS**

**Instructor:**

**Day: Dr. Daiyi Tang**

**Evening: Dr. Mario Marini, DAOM**

Instructors are available 15 minutes before class and 15 minutes after class to address student questions. In addition, students who need clarification on material covered in class or in assigned reading materials may request an appointment.

**Hours/ Credits:** 30/2

**Method of Instruction:** Lecture, discussion and class participation.

**Required Text:** Practical Therapeutics of Traditional Chinese Medicine, Wu

[NCCAOM- 2022-Candidate Preparation Handbook for Oriental Medicine \(OM\) Certification](#)

**Recommended Text:** Obstetrics & Gynecology in Chinese Medicine, Giovanni Maciocia

**Prerequisites:** Concurrent enrollment in IM1-618 and IM2-628

**Course Description:**

This course covers etiology, pathology, differentiation, and treatment of individual disorders of gynecology and obstetrics from the perspective of Traditional Chinese Medicine. The treatment focuses on selecting Chinese herbal formulas and modifications according to clinical manifestations. The course also reviews acupuncture point selection and proper techniques.

**Course Objectives:**

Upon successful completion of this course, students will be able to:

- Identify the most common patterns of each individual disorder in gynecology and obstetrics
- Describe clinical manifestations (include tongue & pulse patterns for each disorder)
- Explain the etiology & pathogenesis of each pattern
- Determine the treatment principles based on the correct pattern differentiation
- Select the recommended Chinese herbal formula and possible modifications
- Determine the need for patient referral to biomedicine or other specialty

**Class Policies:** You are expected to attend all classes and be on time. Please see AMC [Student Handbook](#) for details on attendance, tardiness, missed exams, and early departure policies. Eating, drinking, and gum-chewing are not permitted. Cell phones and pagers must be turned off or put on silent mode.

**Recording in Class:** Students will not be allowed to audio record lectures in this course unless approved by the instructor.

**Homework:** Homework is an important part of learning at AMC. On a daily basis in each course as reflected in the course syllabus, reading assignments must be completed outside of class. The readings supplement the class lectures and it is your responsibility to complete all reading assignments before coming to class. Instructors use oral and written quizzes to check that students have completed the reading assignments. Written homework assignments are turned in to the instructor in each class and count toward your course grade. Homework must be done prior to the class in which it is due.

You are responsible on quizzes, take home assignments and the Final Exam for all material in the reading assignments *whether covered in the class lectures or not*.

**Honor Code:** Acupuncture and Massage College does not tolerate academic dishonesty. If you are caught cheating in any way, including but not limited to copying from another person's paper during an exam or quiz, or plagiarizing material in a paper, you will be dismissed, with no probationary period. All instances of cheating must be reported to a faculty member and to the Academic Dean. To know about cheating and not report it is the same as cheating.

### **Appropriate Classroom Laptop Use**

Acceptable in-class uses of laptops and other web-enabled devices include: taking notes, following along with the instructor on PowerPoints, working on assigned in-class activities, projects, and discussion. Unacceptable in-class uses of laptops and other web-enabled devices include: texting or e-mailing, surfing the Internet, playing games, writing papers or doing homework. AMC Faculty considers inappropriate in-class uses of laptops and web-enabled devices equivalent to non-participation in class and reserve the right to lower student grades accordingly.

### **OM Attendance**

Students are expected to attend all class sessions with no exceptions, due to the compressed course content and academic rigor of the program. For each class missed, there will be a **6.6-point reduction** from the class participation grade. If a student misses more than 3 class sessions, they may fail the course and be required to retake it the following year.

**Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA504) Accommodations:** Students requesting accommodations are asked to communicate with the Section 504 Coordinator, Yaly Flores-Soto, Academic Dean. Dean Soto may be reached at (305) 595-9500 or via e-mail at [Dean@amcollege.edu](mailto:Dean@amcollege.edu). Her office is located at 10506 North Kendall Drive, Miami, FL 33176. Please refer to AMC's [Student Handbook](#) for more details on ADA Accommodation process.

**GPA Requirements:** AMC has an escalating GPA requirement for the OM program. All first year and second year students must maintain at least a 2.0 or above. All third year students must maintain a 3.0 or above. If a student falls below the required GPA, they will be placed on Financial Aid Warning.

### **Library Integration**

Each student will do a take home assignment using books/resources (including online library resources <http://www.amcollege.edu/library> ) in AMC's library as references.

### **Your final grade will be computed as follows:**

Class Participation	10%
Take Home Assignment/Library Integration	10%
Quizzes	30%
Final Exam	<u>50%</u>
Final Grade	<b>100%</b>

***You must pass the written final exam and the practical final exam in order to pass the course.***

**Grading:** As listed in our school catalog, the following scale will be used:

A	90-100%	4.0	P	Pass (70% or above)
B	80-89%	3.0	F	Fail (below 70% for Pass/Fail courses)
C	70-79%	2.0	I	Incomplete
D	60-69%	1.0	W	Withdrawal
			WF	Withdrawal Failure
			WNA	Withdrawal, no attendance
			RPT	Repeat course – no GPA calculated

**Students MUST earn a grade of “C” or higher to pass this module (course.)**

## **Calendar Outline**

### **Class 1: Tues. 01/09/24**

**Content:** Introduction and general principles of TCM Gynecology and Obstetrics. Discuss commonly occurring TCM patterns, treatment principles and treatments for Irregular Menstruation. Particular emphasis on recommended formulas and their modification according to treatment principle. Discussion of conditions requiring medical referral.

**Assignments:** Wu: pp 373-384, handouts

### **Class 2: Tues. 01/16/24**

**Content:** Discuss commonly occurring TCM patterns, treatment principles and treatments for Dysmenorrhea, Amenorrhea. Particular emphasis on recommended formulas and their modification according to treatment principle. Discussion of conditions requiring medical referral.

**Assignments:** Wu: pp 385-400, handouts

**Class 3: Tues. 01/23/24**

**Content:** Discuss commonly occurring TCM patterns, treatment principles and treatments for Uterine Bleeding, Morbid vaginal discharge, Genital Prolapse, Genital Itch. Particular emphasis on recommended formulas and their modification according to treatment principle. Discussion of conditions requiring medical referral.

**Assignments:** Wu: pp 401-423, handouts

**Class 4: Tues. 01/30/24**

**QUIZ**

**Content:** Discuss commonly occurring TCM patterns, treatment principles and treatments for Pre- and postmenopausal patterns, Abdominal masses, Mammary nodules, Female infertility. Particular emphasis on recommended formulas and their modification according to treatment principle. Discussion of conditions requiring medical referral.

**Assignments:** Wu: pp 424-444, handouts

**Class 5: Tues. 02/06/24**

**Content:** Discuss commonly occurring TCM patterns, treatment principles and treatments for Mammary Abscess, Morning Sickness, Postpartum Abdominal pain, Threatened miscarriage. Particular emphasis on recommended formulas and their modification according to treatment principle. Discussion of conditions requiring medical referral.

**Assignments:** Wu: pp 447-464, handouts

**Class 6: Tues. 02/13/24**

**Content:** Discuss commonly occurring TCM patterns, treatment principles and treatments for difficult delivery, Malposition of Fetus, Postpartum syncope, Lochiorrhea, Insufficient Lactation, and Termination of Lactation. Particular emphasis on recommended formulas and their modification according to treatment principle. Discussion of conditions requiring medical referral.

**Assignments:** Wu: pp 465-482, handouts

**Class 7: Tues. 02/20/24**

**Content: Review for Final Exam**

**Class 8: Tues. 02/27/24**

**Content: Final Exam**

**TAKE HOME ASSIGNMENT DUE!!!!**