

**REGULATIONS FOR THE DEGREE OF
BACHELOR OF CHINESE MEDICINE [FULL-TIME]
(BChinMed)**

These regulations apply to students admitted to the first year of study in the academic year 2002-2003 and thereafter.

(See also General Regulations)

The degree of Bachelor of Chinese Medicine is awarded upon the satisfactory completion of a prescribed course of study and clinical training in Chinese medicine. The degree programme is offered by the School of Chinese Medicine, Faculty of Medicine.

BCM 1

To be eligible for admission to the courses leading to the degree of Bachelor of Chinese Medicine, candidates shall

- (a) meet the University entrance requirements, as prescribed in the General Regulations; and
 - (b) comply with the General Regulations.
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BCM 2

To be eligible for the award of the degree of Bachelor of Chinese Medicine, candidates shall

- (a) comply with the General Regulations; and
 - (b) complete the curriculum and satisfy the examiners in accordance with the regulations set out below.
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BCM 3

- (a) The curriculum shall comprise components of theoretical studies and clinical training; theoretical studies shall consist of core and elective courses; clinical training shall include segments of supervised clinical traineeship and practicum. Broadening courses and complementary studies courses shall also form a component of the curriculum.
 - (b) Candidates following the full-time curriculum shall not be permitted to transfer to the part-time curriculum, unless approved by the Board of Studies of the School of Chinese Medicine.
 - (c) The full-time curriculum shall extend over five years and shall include examinations at the end of each semester.
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BCM 4

To complete the curriculum, candidates shall

- (a) follow the courses of instruction as prescribed in the syllabuses;
 - (b) satisfy the examiners in the examinations and coursework assessment;
 - (c) satisfy the examiners in case reports which shall provide evidence of attainment in the clinical traineeship;
 - (d) undertake the requisite period of clinical practicum in an approved establishment (recognized by the jurisdiction of the territory in which it is situated) which offers in-patient Chinese Medicine medical care; and
 - (e) after having satisfied the requirements in BCM 4(c) and BCM 4(d), satisfy the examiners in a final clinical exit examination.
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BCM 5

Teaching will normally be conducted in two semesters in each academic year's; first semester from September to December and second semester from January to May.

BCM 6

Examinations shall normally be held twice in each academic year, in December/January and May/June. Special examinations and re-examinations shall be held no later than the commencement of the following new academic year.

BCM 7

- (a) Candidates shall be assessed in all prescribed courses, and assessment may be conducted by examinations and coursework assessment; examinations shall constitute not less than 50% of the total mark of each core course.
 - (b) Clinical training shall be assessed based on case reports and performance in the practicum, and shall be graded as 'pass' or 'fail' only.
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BCM 8

- (a) Candidates who have failed in not more than two courses in any academic year may be permitted to present themselves for re-examination in accordance with BCM 6.
 - (b) Candidates who have failed in three courses in any academic year may be required to (i) repeat the courses; or (ii) discontinue their studies.
 - (c) Candidates who have failed to satisfy the examiners in the re-examination of a course shall be required to repeat the course.
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BCM 9

Candidates who are unable, because of illness, to present for examination in any course, except the broadening courses, may apply for permission to present themselves at a special examination in accordance with BCM 6. Any such application shall be made within two weeks of the first day of the candidate's absence from any examination. Any such special examination shall be regarded as a first attempt.

BCM 10

- (a) The Chinese title of the degree shall be '中醫全科學士'.
 - (b) The examinations and assessment of the curriculum shall be conducted in Chinese, except in the case of the biomedical sciences and complementary studies courses as well as some of the broadening courses.
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BCM 11

The degree of Bachelor of Chinese Medicine may be awarded with Honours but candidates who have been required to present for re-examination in any one of the core courses shall not be eligible for Honours.

**SYLLABUSES FOR THE DEGREE OF
BACHELOR OF CHINESE MEDICINE**

(To be read in conjunction with Regulations for BChinMed)

Candidates are required to complete all the prescribed courses of the curriculum. These courses comprise core courses (theoretical studies), electives (theoretical studies), clinical training, broadening courses, courses in complementary studies, language enhancement and information technology.

Core courses (240 credits in total)

The core courses (240 credits in total) are classified into four divisions: CM Foundation Studies, CM Classical Texts, CM Clinical Studies, and Biomedical Sciences (see Annex I).

Electives (15 credits in total)

The elective courses (15 credits) may be chosen from the list provided below subject to availability (See Annex I). The courses listed will not necessarily be offered every year; from time to time, depending on the exigencies of staffing, additional courses may be offered.

Clinical Training

Clinical training shall take the form of traineeship and clerkship. Traineeship involves clinical observation of out-patient practice undertaken by a mentor (a full-time or a part-time teaching staff in the BChinMed programme) and the completion of case reports. Clerkship involves attachment in an establishment recognised under BCM 4(d) in the Regulations for BChinMed. The following clinical CM specialties shall be covered in the clerkship: CM Internal Medicine, CM External Medicine, CM Gynaecology, CM Paediatrics, Acupuncture & Moxibustion, CM Orthopaedics and Traumatology, and CM Otorhinolaryngology. Candidates are required to complete 400 hours of traineeship and 32 weeks of clerkship.

Broadening Courses (12 credits in total)

Candidates are required to complete 12 credits of Broadening Courses by the end of the third year and fulfill the requirements as specified in Regulation UG3(a)(iii) & (iv) of the Regulations for First Degree Curricula.

Courses in Complementary Studies (21 credits in total)

Introduction to Ancient Chinese Philosophy

Introduction to 'Zhou-yi'

Complementary Studies I

Complementary Studies II

Putonghua for Chinese Medicine Students* (non-credit bearing)

Language Enhancement Courses (9 credits in total)

Practical Chinese Language for Chinese Medicine Students

Academic English for Chinese Medicine Students

Professional English for Chinese Medicine Students

Information Technology

Successful completion of YITC1001 Foundations to Information Technology (3 credits); or obtaining a pass in YITC1002 Information Technology Proficiency Test.

* "*Putonghua for Chinese Medicine Students*" is a non-credit bearing course in Complementary Studies and it is offered to the first year BChinMed students for helping them to cope with courses taught in Putonghua throughout the five-year curriculum.

YEAR 1**BCHM1001. Foundation Theory of Chinese Medicine (12 credits)**

Explication of the philosophical foundations of CM. Understanding of the physiological, pathological and disease prevention principles from CM perspective. This course enables students to acquire a solid grounding in CM theory which serves to prepare them for studies in CM Diagnosis, CM Materia Medica, CM Medical Prescriptions and the CM clinical subjects.

BCHM1002. Archaic Chinese Medical Writings (12 credits)

Introduction to Chinese medical texts from pre-Qin dynasties. Appreciation of different textual genres, format, and language usage. Examples of archaic literary styles drawn from biographies of renowned physicians, medical theses, prefaces and records of case histories.

BCHM1003. History of Chinese Medicine (3 credits)

Historical analysis of the origin, formation and development of Chinese Medicine as a field of practice and academic discipline.

BCHM1004. Chinese Medicine Materia Medica (12 credits)

Studies on the sources, procurement, processing, properties, actions and clinical usages of Chinese medicinal materials. This course provides proper foundation for studies in CM Medical Prescriptions and the CM Clinical subjects.

Prerequisite: Foundation Theory of Chinese Medicine

BCHM1005. Complementary Studies I (12 credits)**LIFE1201. Life Sciences I (12 credits)**

This course examines the concepts related to the structure and function of the human body. The first semester study includes discussion of the organization of the body from the single cell to the coordinated whole. A major theme is the interaction of all body systems for the maintenance of a stable internal state, a condition called homeostasis. The focus are cellular function, basis of chemical interaction, tissue level organization, integumentary, digestive, respiratory, cardiovascular, haematologic and urinary systems, as well as metabolism. In the second semester, it continues to examine the concepts related to the structure and function of the human body. The focus throughout the course is the normal physiological functions and anatomy of the body. The interrelationship between cells and organs will also covered to make the physiological process more meaningful to students. The areas include musculoskeletal, nervous, endocrine and reproductive systems.

CBIO0003. Practical Chinese Language for Chinese Medicine Students (3 credits)**CBIO0004. Putonghua for Chinese Medicine Students (non-credit bearing)****ECEN1707. Academic English for Chinese Medicine Students (3 credits)****YITC1001. Foundations to Information Technology (3 credits)****YEAR 2****BCHM2001. Chinese Medicine Diagnosis (9 credits)**

This course aims to develop competence in the four methods of physical diagnosis, analysis of clinical manifestations according to eight principal syndromes, method of differential diagnosis and skills of clinical history taking. The course serves to bridge theoretical knowledge with practice.

Prerequisite: Foundation Theory of Chinese Medicine

BCHM2002. Chinese Medicine Medical Prescriptions (9 credits)

Introduction to prescription compounding and clinical usage. Common prescriptions: composition, efficacy, and clinical usage. Prescription selection in accordance with principles of differential diagnosis.

Prerequisites: Chinese Medicine Materia Medica and Chinese Medicine Diagnosis

BCHM2003. Canon of Internal Medicine (9 credits)

Evolution of a theoretical framework guided by different schools of thought and annotations of the original text by successive writers. Systematic treatment of sections of the Canon dealing with the following topics and their clinical applications: theories of Yin-Yang and five elements; doctrine of viscera-state, meridians; aetiology and pathogenesis; symptoms; diagnostic methods; principles and methods of treatment and concept of nourishment.

Prerequisites: Foundation Theory of Chinese Medicine and Archaic Chinese Medical Writings

BCHM2004. Treatise on Exogenous Febrile Disease (9 credits)

Guided readings of selected chapters of the “Treatise” and explication of its central theme. Principles of treatment according to differential diagnosis. Principles of prescription compounding and ingredient combinations. “Theory –method-prescription-medicine” as guiding principles of clinical practice.

Prerequisites: Chinese Medicine Medical Prescriptions and Canon of Internal Medicine

BCHM2005. Chinese Medicine Nourishment Therapy (3 credits)

This course studies the therapeutic approach in Chinese Medicine for the prevention of aging.

Prerequisites: History of Chinese Medicine, Chinese Medicine Medical Prescriptions and Archaic Chinese Medical Writings

BCHM2006. Introduction to Ancient Chinese Philosophy (3 credits)**BCHM2007. Microbiology, Parasitology & Immunology (9 credits)**

Medical microbiology and parasitology; immunology and genetics.

Prerequisite: Life Sciences I

BCHM2008. Pathology (12 credits)

Human pathology-disease aetiology, pathogenesis, clinical manifestations.

Prerequisite: Microbiology, Parasitology & Immunology

BCHM2009. Introduction to ‘Zhou-yi’ (3 credits)**BCHM2010. Complementary Studies II (3 credits)**

Professional English for Chinese Medicine Students (3 credits)

YEAR 3**BCHM3001. Golden Chest (9 credits)**

Introduction to the original text of “Golden Chest”. General exposition of CM medical paradigm. Applications of Doctrine of viscera-state; concepts of disease formation; principles of differential diagnosis; principles and methods of treatment; techniques of ingredients selection in prescription compounding; methods of decoction preparation and usage in the differential diagnosis and treatment of miscellaneous diseases.

Prerequisite: Treatise on Exogenous Febrile Diseases

BCHM3002. Chinese Medicine Internal Medicine (21 credits)

This course aims to develop an understanding of the theoretical basis of CM internal medicine. Students will be acquainted with the methods of differential diagnosis and prescriptions applied to various diseases of the CM internal medicine specialty.

Prerequisites: Chinese Medicine Medical Prescriptions and Pathology

BCHM3003. Acupuncture & Moxibustion (12 credits)

Introduction to the organization and composition of meridians, their physiological functions and clinical use. Classification, actions and methods of locating acupoints. Distribution and circulation of the 14 channels. Loci, principal indications and manipulations of acupoints. Techniques of acupuncture and moxibustion: basic skills, three edged needle, cutaneous needle, intra-dermal needle, etc. Methods of differential diagnosis of internal, external, gynaecological, paediatric and sensory diseases.

Prerequisites: Chinese Medicine Medical Prescriptions and Life Sciences I

BCHM3004. Electives: Introduction to Massotherapy (Tui-na) (6 credits)**BCHM3005. Fundamentals of Diagnosis (12 credits)**

Clinical biochemistry-biochemical changes in diseases, clinical indices. Diagnostic methodology-physical and advanced instrumental methods of diagnosis in Western Medicine, including imaging.

Prerequisite: Pathology

BCHM3006. Pharmacology (9 credits)

CM pharmacology – principles of pharmacology; drug metabolism, disposition and transformation; pharmacological actions of Chinese medicines. Toxicology.

Prerequisites: Life Sciences I and Chinese Medicine Materia Medica

BCHM3007. Medical Statistics & Social Medicine (6 credits)

Descriptive statistics, sampling distributions, hypothesis testing, correlation and regression, ANOVA, non-parametric tests. Clinical research-design and methodology. Principles of epidemiology, medical ethics and medical counselling, Hong Kong health care system, topics in health and disease in Hong Kong.

Prerequisite: Foundations to Information Technology

Clinical Traineeship

YEAR 4**BCHM4001. Seasonal Febrile Diseases (9 credits)**

Evolution of a theoretical framework around the doctrine of febrile diseases. Introduction to authoritative writings of renowned physicians, including: Ye Tian Shi (Treatise on Seasonal Febrile Diseases), Xue Sheng Bai (Exposition of Wetness- Heat Diseases), Kuan Ju Tong (Analysis of Epidemic Febrile Diseases).

Prerequisite: Treatise on Exogenous Febrile Diseases

BCHM4002. Chinese Medical Thinking (6 credits)

Introduction to the various schools of thought and theoretical frameworks of CM. History of CM development. Accounts of renowned physicians: their thinking, achievements and clinical wisdoms.

Prerequisite: Seasonal Febrile Diseases

BCHM4003. Chinese Medicine External Medicine (9 credits)

The topics in this course are guided by the medical maxim which states “internal diseases reveal through external manifestations”. A holistic view of disease formation and development through a supposition of internal – external disease relationship is adopted. Methods of systemic and localized treatment for the prevention of external diseases are introduced.

Prerequisites: Chinese Medicine Internal Medicine and Fundamentals of Diagnosis

BCHM4004. Chinese Medicine Gynaecology (9 credits)

This course aims to develop an understanding of the theoretical basis of gynaecology. Students are expected to apply the clinical guiding principles of “theory-method-prescription-medicine” in the differential diagnosis and treatment of gynaecological disorders relating to: menstrual, leukorrhagic, pregnancy-related, puerperal and miscellaneous gynaecopathics.

Prerequisites: Chinese Medicine Internal Medicine and Fundamentals of Diagnosis

BCHM4005. Chinese Medicine Paediatrics (9 credits)

This course studies the phases of growth and development, care and disease prevention in children. Students will be able to apply their knowledge of CM Theory and CM Internal Medicine in clinical practice. The development of competence in differential diagnosis and treatment of common, communicable and other childhood diseases will be emphasized.

Prerequisites: Chinese Medicine Internal Medicine and Fundamentals of Diagnosis

BCHM4006. Chinese Medicine Orthopaedics & Traumatology (12 credits)

Introduction to the methods of differential diagnosis and treatment of traumatic and orthopaedic conditions. Aetiology, diagnosis, and treatment of bone fractures, dislocations, and soft tissue injuries.

Prerequisites: Chinese Medicine Internal Medicine and Fundamentals of Diagnosis

BCHM4007. Chinese Medicine Otorhinolaryngology (6 credits)

This course emphasizes the understanding of relations between the 'five sensory organs' and the whole body system. The topics deal with linkages between the sensory organs and the zang-fu as well as the meridian and collateral systems. Students will be familiarized with various sensory organ diseases in relation to aspects of disease aetiology, pathogenesis, and syndrome-manifestations, etc. as well as the internal and external treatment methodologies employed.

Prerequisites: Chinese Medicine Internal Medicine and Fundamentals of Diagnosis

BCHM4008. Electives: Chinese Medicine Emergency Medicine (3 credits)**BCHM4009. Electives: Medical Psychology (3 credits)****BCHM4010. Electives: Medical Information Science (3 credits)**

Clinical Traineeship

YEAR 5**Clinical Traineeship and Clerkship**

Remarks:

- (a) Theoretical studies (core and elective courses)
1 credit is equivalent of 8 hours of lecture or related classroom based-learning.
- (b) These syllabuses are subject to changes when necessary.

Classification of Core Courses and Electives

I. CORE COURSES

CHINESE MEDICINE FOUNDATION STUDIES (57 credits)

BCHM1001	Foundation Theory of Chinese Medicine (12 credits)
BCHM1002	Archaic Chinese Medical Writings (12 credits)
BCHM1003	History of Chinese Medicine (3 credits)
BCHM1004	Chinese Medicine Materia Medica (12 credits)
BCHM2001	Chinese Medicine Diagnosis (9 credits)
BCHM2002	Chinese Medicine Medical Prescriptions (9 credits)

CHINESE MEDICINE CLASSICAL TEXTS (42 credits)

BCHM2003	Canon of Internal Medicine (9 credits)
BCHM2004	Treatise on Exogenous Febrile Diseases (9 credits)
BCHM3001	Golden Chest (9 credits)
BCHM4001	Seasonal Febrile Diseases (9 credits)
BCHM4002	Chinese Medical Thinking (6 credits)

CHINESE MEDICINE CLINICAL STUDIES (81 credits)

BCHM2005	Chinese Medicine Nourishment Therapy (3 credits)
BCHM3002	Chinese Medicine Internal Medicine (21 credits)
BCHM3003	Acupuncture & Moxibustion (12 credits)
BCHM4003	Chinese Medicine External Medicine (9 credits)
BCHM4004	Chinese Medicine Gynaecology (9 credits)
BCHM4005	Chinese Medicine Paediatrics (9 credits)
BCHM4006	Chinese Medicine Orthopaedics & Traumatology (12 credits)
BCHM4007	Chinese Medicine Otorhinolaryngology (6 credits)

BIOMEDICAL SCIENCES (60 credits)

LIFE1201	Life Sciences I (12 credits)
BCHM2007	Microbiology, Parasitology & Immunology (9 credits)
BCHM2008	Pathology (12 credits)
BCHM3005	Fundamentals of Diagnosis (12 credits)
BCHM3006	Pharmacology (9 credits)
BCHM3007	Medical Statistics & Social Medicine (6 credits)

II. ELECTIVES (15 credits)

BCHM3004	Introduction to Massotherapy (Tui-na) (6 credits)
BCHM4008	Chinese Medicine Emergency Medicine (3 credits)
BCHM4009	Medical Psychology (3 credits)
BCHM4010	Medical Information Science (3 credits)

Syllabuses for the Degree of Bachelor of Chinese Medicine

<u>Course Code</u>	<u>Course</u>	<u>Credits</u>
YEAR 1		
BCHM1001	Foundation Theory of Chinese Medicine	12
BCHM1002	Archaic Chinese Medical Writings	12
BCHM1003	History of Chinese Medicine	3
BCHM1004	Chinese Medicine Materia Medica	12
BCHM1005	Complementary Studies I	12
LIFE1201	Life Sciences I	12
CBIO0003	Practical Chinese Language for Chinese Medicine Students	3
CBIO0004	Putonghua for Chinese Medicine Students ¹	-
ECEN1707	Academic English for Chinese Medicine Students	3
YITC1001	Foundations to Information Technology	3
	Sub-total:	72
YEAR 2		
BCHM2001	Chinese Medicine Diagnosis	9
BCHM2002	Chinese Medicine Medical Prescriptions	9
BCHM2003	Canon of Internal Medicine	9
BCHM2004	Treatise on Exogenous Febrile Disease	9
BCHM2005	Chinese Medicine Nourishment Therapy	3
BCHM2006	Introduction to Ancient Chinese Philosophy	3
BCHM2007	Microbiology, Parasitology & Immunology	9
BCHM2008	Pathology	12
BCHM2009	Introduction to 'Zhou-yi'	3
BCHM2010	Complementary Studies II	3
	Professional English for Chinese Medicine Students	3
	Sub-total:	72
YEAR 3		
BCHM3001	Golden Chest	9
BCHM3002	Chinese Medicine Internal Medicine	21
BCHM3003	Acupuncture & Moxibustion	12
BCHM3004	Introduction to Massotherapy (Tui-na)	6
BCHM3005	Fundamentals of Diagnosis	12
BCHM3006	Pharmacology	9
BCHM3007	Medical Statistics & Social Medicine	6
	Clinical Traineeship	
	Sub-total:	75
YEAR 4		
BCHM4001	Seasonal Febrile Diseases	9
BCHM4002	Chinese Medical Thinking	6
BCHM4003	Chinese Medicine External Medicine	9
BCHM4004	Chinese Medicine Gynaecology	9
BCHM4005	Chinese Medicine Paediatrics	9
BCHM4006	Chinese Medicine Orthopaedics & Traumatology	12
BCHM4007	Chinese Medicine Otorhinolaryngology	6
BCHM4008	Chinese Medicine Emergency Medicine	3
BCHM4009	Medical Psychology	3
BCHM4010	Medical Information Science	3
	Clinical Traineeship	
	Sub-total:	69
YEAR 5		
	Clinical Traineeship and clerkship	
	Sub-total:	69
	Broadening Courses ²	12
	Grand Total :	300

Remarks:

- (1) "Putonghua for Chinese Medicine Students" is a non-credit bearing course in Complementary Studies. It is offered to the first year BChinMed Students for coping with courses taught in Putonghua throughout the five-year curriculum.
- (2) All broadening courses should be completed by the end of the third year.
- (3) Syllabuses are subject to change when necessary.

**REGULATIONS FOR THE DEGREE OF
BACHELOR OF CHINESE MEDICINE [PART-TIME]
(BChinMed)**

These regulations apply to students admitted in and after the academic year 2002-2003.

(See also General Regulations)

The degree of Bachelor of Chinese Medicine is awarded upon the satisfactory completion of a prescribed course of study and clinical training in Chinese medicine. The degree programme is offered by the School of Chinese Medicine, Faculty of Medicine.

BCMP 1

To be eligible for admission to the part-time courses leading to the degree of Bachelor of Chinese Medicine, candidates shall

- (a) meet the University entrance requirements, as prescribed in the General Regulations;
 - (b) either(i) hold a recognized university degree; or
(ii) attain the age of 25 years on or before September 1 of the year in which admission is sought; and
 - (A) hold the Diploma in Traditional Chinese Medicine awarded by the School of Professional and Continuing Education; or
 - (B) have completed a minimum of five years' experience as practitioner of Chinese medicine and/or acupuncture and be able to produce evidence in support thereof.
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BCMP 2

To be eligible for the award of the degree of Bachelor of Chinese Medicine, candidates shall

- (a) comply with the General Regulations; and
 - (b) complete the curriculum and satisfy the examiners in accordance with the regulations set out below.
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BCMP 3

- (a) The curriculum shall comprise components of theoretical studies and clinical training; theoretical studies shall consist of core and elective courses; clinical training shall include segments of supervised clinical traineeship and practicum. Broadening courses and complementary studies courses shall also form a component of the curriculum.
 - (b) Candidates following the part-time curriculum shall not be permitted to transfer to the full-time curriculum, unless approved by the Board of Studies of the School of Chinese Medicine.
 - (c) The part-time curriculum shall extend over not less than six years and not more than ten years, and shall include examinations at the end of each semester.
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BCMP 4

To complete the curriculum, candidates shall

- (a) follow the courses of instruction as prescribed in the syllabuses;
- (b) satisfy the examiners in the examinations and coursework assessment;
- (c) satisfy the examiners in case reports which shall provide evidence of attainment in the clinical traineeship;
- (d) undertake the requisite period of clinical practicum in an approved establishment (recognized by the jurisdiction of the territory in which it is situated) which offers in-patient Chinese Medicine medical care; and
- (e) after having satisfied the requirements in BCMP 4(c) and BCMP 4(d), satisfy the examiners in a final clinical exit examination.

BCMP 5

Teaching will normally be conducted in two semesters in each academic year's; first semester from September to December and second semester from January to June.

BCMP 6

- (a) The normal study load shall be two courses in a semester. Candidates shall not undertake more than three courses in any semester, other than the general education, complementary studies and elective courses. In any case, the total credit load in any academic year shall not exceed sixty.
 - (b) Selection of courses shall be made in accordance with the prescribed sequence and shall take into account any pre-requisite or co-requisite courses as may be determined by the Board of Studies of the School of Chinese Medicine.
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BCMP 7

Examinations shall normally be held twice in each academic year, in December/January and June/July; re-examinations shall be held no later than the commencement of the second consecutive semester from the time the examination was first attempted.

BCMP 8

- (a) Candidates shall be assessed in all prescribed courses and assessment may be conducted by examinations and coursework assessment; examinations shall constitute not less than 50% of the total mark of each core course.
 - (b) Clinical training shall be assessed based on case reports and performance in the practicum, and shall be graded as 'pass' or 'fail' only.
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BCMP 9

- (a) Candidates who have failed in not more than two courses in any academic year may be permitted to present themselves for re-examination in accordance with BCMP 7 above.
 - (b) Candidates who have failed in three courses in any academic year may be required to (i) repeat the courses; or (ii) discontinue their studies.
 - (c) Candidates who have failed to satisfy the examiners in the re-examination of a course shall be required to repeat the course.
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BCMP 10

Candidates who are unable, because of illness, to present for examination in any course, except the broadening courses, may apply for permission to present themselves at a special examination to be held not later than the commencement of the second consecutive semester from the time of absence from the examination. Any such application shall be made within two weeks of the first day of the candidate's absence from any examination. Any such special examination shall be regarded as a first attempt.

BCMP 11

- (a) The Chinese title of the degree shall be '中醫全科學士'.
 - (b) The examinations and assessment of the curriculum shall be conducted in Chinese, except in the case of the biomedical science and complementary studies courses as well as some of the broadening courses.
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BCMP 12

The degree of Bachelor of Chinese Medicine may be awarded with Honours but candidates who have been required to present for re-examination in any one of the core courses shall not be eligible for Honours.

SYLLABUSES FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF CHINESE MEDICINE

(To be read in conjunction with Regulations for Part-Time BChinMed)

Candidates are required to complete all the prescribed courses constituting the theoretical studies component of the curriculum. These courses are of two categories: core and electives.

The core courses (248 credits in total) are classified into four divisions: CM Foundation Studies, CM Classical Texts, CM Clinical Studies, and Biomedical Science.

The elective courses (16 credits) may be chosen from the list provided below subject to availability.

Clinical training shall take the form of traineeship and practicum. Traineeship involves clinical observation of out-patient practice undertaken by a mentor (a full-time or a part-time teaching staff in the BChinMed programme) and the completion of case reports. Practicum involves attachment in an establishment recognised under BCMP 4(d) in the Regulations for BChinMed. The following clinical CM specialties shall be covered in the practicum: CM Internal Medicine, CM External Medicine, CM Gynaecology, CM Paediatrics, Acupuncture & Moxibustion, CM Orthopaedics and Traumatology, and CM Otorhinolaryngology.

Candidates are required to complete 400 hours of traineeship and 32 weeks (full-time) of practicum. For the part-time study mode, the practicum may be undertaken in blocks during intervals of semester breaks.

Courses in general education and complementary studies (36 credits in total) are compulsory and shall include courses in English and Chinese language, information technology, and other areas of study outside the scope of professional training.

CHINESE MEDICINE FOUNDATION STUDIES (57 credits)

BCHM1012. Foundation Theory of Chinese Medicine (11 credits)

Explication of the philosophical foundations of CM. Understanding of the physiological, pathological and disease prevention principles from CM perspective. This course enables students to acquire a solid grounding in CM theory which serves to prepare them for studies in CM Diagnosis, CM Materia Medica, CM Medical Prescriptions and the CM clinical subjects.

BCHM1022. Chinese Medicine Materia Medica (11 credits)

Studies on the sources, procurement, processing, properties, actions and clinical usages of Chinese medicinal materials. This course provides proper foundation for studies in CM Medical Prescriptions and the CM clinical subjects.

Prerequisite: Foundation Theory of Chinese Medicine

BCHM1032. Chinese Medicine Medical Prescriptions (10 credits)

Introduction to prescription compounding and clinical usage. Common prescriptions: composition, efficacy, clinical usage. Prescription selection in accordance with principles of differential diagnosis.

Prerequisites: Chinese Medicine Materia Medica and Chinese Medicine Diagnosis

BCHM1042. Chinese Medicine Diagnosis (10 credits)

This course aims to develop competence in the four methods of physical diagnosis, analysis of clinical manifestations according to eight principal syndromes, method of differential diagnosis and skills of clinical history taking. The course serves to bridge theoretical knowledge with practice.

Prerequisite: Foundation Theory of Chinese Medicine

BCHM1052. Archaic Chinese Medical Writing (11 credits)

Introduction to Chinese medical texts from pre-Qin dynasties. Appreciation of different textual genres, format and language usage. Examples of archaic literary styles drawn from biographies of renowned physicians, medical theses, prefaces and records of case histories.

BCHM1062. History of Chinese Medicine (4 credits)

Historical analysis of the origin, formation and development of Chinese Medicine as a field of practice and academic discipline.

CHINESE MEDICINE CLASSICAL TEXTS (40 Credits)**BCHM2012. Canon of Internal Medicine (8 credits)**

Evolution of a theoretical framework guided by different schools of thought and annotations of the original text by successive writers. Systematic treatment of sections of the Canon dealing with the following topics and their clinical applications: theories of Yin-Yang and five elements; doctrine of viscera-state, meridians; aetiology and pathogenesis; symptoms; diagnostic methods; principles and methods of treatment and concept of nourishment.

Prerequisites: Foundation Theory of Chinese Medicine and Archaic Chinese Medical Writings

BCHM2022. Treatise on Exogenous Febrile Diseases (9 credits)

Guided readings of selected chapters of the "Treatise" and explication of its central theme. Principles of treatment according to differential diagnosis. Principles of prescription compounding and ingredient combinations. "Theory –method-prescription-medicine" as guiding principles of clinical practice.

Prerequisites: Chinese Medicine Medical Prescriptions and Canon of Internal Medicine

BCHM2032. Golden Chest (7 credits)

Introduction to the original text of "Golden Chest". General exposition of CM medical paradigm. Applications of Doctrine of viscera-state; concepts of disease formation; principles of differential diagnosis; principles and methods of treatment; techniques of ingredients selection in prescription compounding; methods of decoction preparation and usage in the differential diagnosis and treatment of miscellaneous diseases.

Prerequisite: Treatise on Exogenous Febrile Diseases

BCHM2042. Seasonal Febrile Disease (8 credits)

Evolution of a theoretical framework around the doctrine of febrile diseases. Introduction to authoritative writings of renowned physicians, including: Ye Tian Shi (Treatise on Seasonal Febrile Diseases), Xue Sheng Bai (Exposition of Wetness- Heat Diseases), Kuan Ju Tong (Analysis of Epidemic Febrile Diseases).

Prerequisite: Treatise on Exogenous Febrile Diseases

BCHM2052. Chinese Medical Thinking (8 credits)

Introduction to the various schools of thought and theoretical frameworks of CM. History of CM development. Accounts of renowned physicians: their thinking, achievements and clinical wisdoms.

Prerequisite: Seasonal Febrile Diseases

CHINESE MEDICINE CLINICAL STUDIES (80 credits)**BCHM2062. Chinese Medicine Internal Medicine (22 credits)**

This course aims to develop an understanding of the theoretical basis of CM internal medicine. Students will be acquainted with the methods of differential diagnosis and prescriptions applied to various diseases of the CM internal medicine specialty.

Prerequisites: Chinese Medicine Medical Prescription and Pathology

BCHM2082. Chinese Medicine External Medicine (8 credits)

The topics in this course are guided by the medical maxim which states “internal diseases reveal through external manifestations”. A holistic view of disease formation and development through a supposition of internal – external disease relationship is adopted. Methods of systemic and localized treatment for the prevention of external diseases are introduced.

Prerequisites: Chinese Medicine Internal Medicine and Fundamentals of Diagnosis

BCHM2092. Chinese Medicine Gynaecology (8 credits)

This course aims to develop an understanding of the theoretical basis of gynaecology. Students are expected to apply the clinical guiding principles of “theory-method-prescription-medicine” in the differential diagnosis and treatment of gynaecological disorders relating to: menstrual, leukorrhagic, pregnancy-related, puerperal and miscellaneous gynaecopathics.

Prerequisites: Chinese Medicine Internal Medicine and Fundamentals of Diagnosis

BCHM2102. Chinese Medicine Paediatrics (8 credits)

This course studies the phases of growth and development, care and disease prevention in children. Students will be able to apply their knowledge of CM Theory and CM Internal Medicine in clinical practice. The development of competence in differential diagnosis and treatment of common, communicable and other childhood diseases will be emphasized.

Prerequisites: Chinese Medicine Internal Medicine and Fundamentals of Diagnosis

BCHM2112. Acupuncture & Moxibustion (11 credits)

Introduction to the organization and composition of meridians, their physiological functions and clinical use. Classification, actions and methods of locating acupoints. Distribution and circulation of the 14 channels. Loci, principal indications and manipulations of acupoints. Techniques of acupuncture and moxibustion: basic skills, three edged needle, cutaneous needle, intra-dermal needle, etc. Methods of differential diagnosis of internal, external, gynaecological, paediatric and sensory diseases.

Prerequisites: Chinese Medicine Medical Prescriptions and Anatomy, Histology & Embryology

BCHM2122. Chinese Medicine Orthopaedics & Traumatology (11 credits)

Introduction to the methods of differential diagnosis and treatment of traumatic and orthopaedic conditions. Aetiology, diagnosis, and treatment of bone fractures, dislocations, and soft tissue injuries.

Prerequisites: Chinese Medicine Internal Medicine and Fundamentals of Diagnosis

BCHM2132. Chinese Medicine Otorhinolaryngology (5 credits)

This course emphasizes the understanding of relations between the 'five sensory organs' and the whole body system. The topics deal with linkages between the sensory organs and the zang-fu as well as the meridian and collateral systems. Students will be familiarized with various sensory organ diseases in relation to aspects of disease aetiology, pathogenesis, and syndrome-manifestations, etc. as well as the internal and external treatment methodologies employed.

Prerequisites: Chinese Medicine Internal Medicine and Fundamentals of Diagnosis

BCHM2192. Chinese Medicine Nourishment Therapy (7 credits)

This course studies the therapeutic approach in Chinese Medicine for the prevention of aging.

Prerequisites: History of Chinese Medicine, Chinese Medicine Medical Prescriptions and Archaic Chinese Medical Writings

BIOMEDICAL SCIENCE (71 credits)**BCHM2142. Anatomy, Histology & Embryology (11 credits)**

Anatomy, basic histology and embryology-human anatomical structures, tissue and cellular structures, embryonic developmental stages.

BCHM2143. Physiology & Biochemistry (11 credits)

Physiology-physiological concepts and principles, organs & systems. Biochemistry-properties of carbohydrates, proteins, lipids; their synthesis and metabolism.

Prerequisite: Anatomy, Histology & Embryology

BCHM2152. Microbiology, Parasitology & Immunology (9 credits)

Medical microbiology and parasitology; immunology and genetics.

Prerequisite: Physiology & Biochemistry

BCHM2153. Pathology (11 credits)

Human pathology-disease aetiology, pathogenesis, clinical manifestations.

Prerequisite: Microbiology, Parasitology & Immunology

BCHM2162. Fundamentals of Diagnosis (11 credits)

Clinical biochemistry-biochemical changes in diseases, clinical indices. Diagnostic methodology-physical and advanced instrumental methods of diagnosis in Western Medicine, including imaging.

Prerequisite: Pathology

BCHM2172. Pharmacology (11 credits)

CM pharmacology – principles of pharmacology; drug metabolism, disposition and transformation; pharmacological actions of Chinese medicines. Toxicology.

Prerequisites: Physiology & Biochemistry and Chinese Medicine Materia Medica

BCHM2182. Medical Statistics & Social Medicine (7 credits)

Descriptive statistics, sampling distributions, hypothesis testing, correlation and regression, ANOVA, non-parametric tests. Clinical research-design and methodology. Principles of epidemiology, medical ethics and medical counselling, Hong Kong health care system, topics in health and disease in Hong Kong.

Prerequisite: Foundations to Information Technology

ELECTIVES (16 credits)

- BCHM3042. Introduction to Massotherapy (Tui-na) (4 credits)
 - BCHM3052. Medical Psychology (4 credits)
 - BCHM3142. Chinese Medicine Emergency Medicine (4 credits)
 - BCHM3152. Medical Information Science (4 credits)
 - BCHM3162. Medical Ethics (4 credits)
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GENERAL EDUCATION AND COMPLEMENTARY STUDIES (36 credits)

- BCHM2202. Foundations to Information Technology (3 credits)
- BCHM2212. Academic English (3 credits)
- BCHM2222. Professional English (3 credits)
- BCHM2232. Practical Chinese Language (3 credits)
- BCHM2242. Introduction to Ancient Chinese Philosophy (3 credits)
- BCHM2252. Putonghua (3 credits)
- BCHM2262. Introduction to 'Zhou-yi' (3 credits)
- Additional General Education Courses (5x3 credits)

Remarks:

- (a) Theoretical studies (core and elective courses)
1 credit is the equivalent of 8 hours of lecture or related classroom based-learning.
- (b) These syllabuses are subject to changes when necessary.