I. Course information
Course Title: VEM 5208, Complementary and Alternative Veterinary Medicine
Phase: III
Semester: Fall
Course credit: 1
Course grading: pass/fail

II. General information
Course Director: Justin Shmalberg, DVM, DACVN, CVA, CVCH
Office hours: by appointment only
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III. Course description
Course goals/ Educational goals of the course: Introduce and expose students to the most commonly practiced therapies in complementary and alternative medicine including acupuncture, herbal medicine, rehabilitation therapy, and nutrition therapy.

Course objectives: Learn the indications and contraindications of acupuncture, herbal medicine, rehabilitation therapy, and nutrition therapy.

Course Outline:
Intro to Integrative Medicine, Shmalberg, Justin William
Lecture Intro to Acupuncture, Shmalberg, Justin William
Lecture Science of Pain Pathways and Acupuncture, Clemmons, Roger M
Lecture Integrative Neurology, Clemmons, Roger M
Lab Acupuncture and Herbal Medicine, Shmalberg, Justin William
Lecture Rehabilitation therapy: Principles and Practice, Shmalberg, Justin William
Lecture Laser Therapy and Hyperbaric Oxygen, Shmalberg, Justin William
Lecture Integrative Nutrition, Shmalberg, Justin William
Lecture Rehabilitative and Sports Nutrition, Shmalberg, Justin William
Lecture Intro to Chinese Herbal Medicine, Xie, Huisheng
Lecture Principles of Shockwave and Ultrasound, Shmalberg, Justin William
Lecture The Safety and Efficacy of Chinese herbs, Shmalberg, Justin William
Lab Rehabilitation Techniques, Shmalberg, Justin William

IV. Course Materials
Required texts: Lecture notes provided by instructors
Recommended/Reference texts:

V. Evaluation/Grading/Testing:
Grading scheme: PASS/FAIL
Students must attend every lecture and lab and complete an assignment (consisting of an article review) including a summary and critique that will be presented to the class on the last day.
Accommodations for Students with Disabilities - Students requesting accommodations must first register with the Dean of Students Office, Disability Resource Center at 352-392-8565. Students may also apply on-line for accommodations. For more information, see the Disability Resource Center website at: http://www.dso.ufl.edu/drc/

The Disability Resource Center will provide a letter to the student who must then meet with the course instructor to discuss the required accommodations. Once notification is complete, the instructor can work with the Disability Resource Center to provide the requested accommodations. To ensure that necessary accommodations are provided in a timely manner, it would expedite this process if any student who might need an accommodation would notify the course coordinator during registration.

VI. Administrative Policies: see Student Handbook @ http://education.vetmed.ufl.edu/dvm-curriculum/student-handbook/

Honesty Policy - All students registered at the University of Florida have agreed to comply with the following statement: “I understand that the University of Florida expects its students to be honest in all their academic work. I agree to adhere to this commitment to academic honesty and understand that my failure to comply with this commitment may result in disciplinary action up to and including expulsion from the University.” In addition, on all work submitted for credit the following pledge is either required or implied: “On my honor I have neither given nor received unauthorized aid in doing this assignment.” To review the student honor code please visit: http://www.dso.ufl.edu/judicial/honorcodes/honorcode.php

Plagiarism includes any attempt to take credit for another person’s work. This includes quoting directly from a paper, book, or website, without crediting the source. Sources should be noted, a link to the website added, or quotation marks placed around the material and attributed, even during online discussions. However, the instructor expects more than simply cutting and pasting in this graduate-level course. Students are expected to review, evaluate and comment on material they research, rather than simply copying relevant material. Work will be graded accordingly.

Student Evaluation of Instruction - Evaluations are performed electronically at the end of the course. To evaluate the instructor, visit the UF Evaluation site at: https://evaluations.ufl.edu/evals/

VII. Other information: Student Safety: required to wear closed toed shoes for the equine acupuncture lab