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## CURRICULUM VITAE

### LICENSES AND CERTIFICATIONS (CURRENT AND PREVIOUS)

2001 to present

#### Board Certification - Acupuncture

*National Council of Colleges of Acupuncture and Oriental Medicine*

2001 to present

#### Licensed Acupuncturist

State of Indiana [84000099A]  
2008-present

#### Licensed Acupuncturist

State of Washington Department of Health  
2001-2007

### EDUCATION

June, 2003

**M.T.C.M. (Master of Traditional Chinese Medicine)** – *Chinese Herbal Medicine; see detailed information [below](#).*

*Northwest Institute of Acupuncture and Oriental Medicine  
Seattle, WA*

June, 2001

**M.Ac. (Master of Acupuncture)** – *Acupuncture and related therapies; see detailed information [below](#).*

*Northwest Institute of Acupuncture and Oriental Medicine  
Seattle, WA*

February, 1994

#### Ph.D. in Linguistics / Hebrew and Old Testament Studies

*University of Edinburgh  
Edinburgh, Scotland*

**Dissertation Title:** *Text-linguistics and Biblical Hebrew: An Examination of Methodologies*; Supervisor, Prof. John C. L. Gibson.  
[published as JSOT Supplement Series, vol. 177. Sheffield: Sheffield Academic Press 1994.]

June, 1988

#### M.Div. (Master of Divinity)

*Trinity Episcopal School for Ministry  
Ambridge, Pennsylvania*

July, 1981

#### B.A. in French Language and Literature

*Indiana University  
Bloomington, Indiana*

## MEDICAL TRAINING, AREAS OF INTEREST, AND ORIENTAL MEDICINE EXPERIENCE

I am fully trained for general medical practice in Chinese medicine, with specialized training in acupuncture, massage, and other physical medicine, as well as Chinese herbal medicine. In addition to my general medicine training and practice, I have special interests in addressing complex medical issues such as degenerative disorders, HIV/AIDS, and psychiatric and psychological imbalances. In addition, I have a strong interest in working with elite athletes for both injury-prevention and -recovery, as well as fine-tuning for peak performance.

Course-work and supervised clinical experience as required for training by the *American Commission on Colleges of Acupuncture and Oriental Medicine* are indicated below:

### **Undergraduate:**

Pre-med Anatomy and Physiology (undergraduate); Intro to Clinical Psychology (undergraduate); Counseling Psychology (graduate).

### **Training for Acupuncture (M.Ac. program):**

Acupuncture and Chinese Medicine, Theory: 671 hours  
 Acupuncture and Chinese Medicine, Practice: 253 hours  
 Western Clinical Sciences: 484 hours

Specific Western Clinical Sciences courses include:

Laboratory Medicine	22 hrs	Urology	22 hrs
Microbiology	22 hrs	Ob/Gyn	33 hrs
Cell Biochemistry	22 hrs	Digestive	33 hrs
Nutrition	22 hrs	Pharmacology	33 hrs
Respiratory	66 hrs		
Circulatory	33 hrs		
Neuro-musculo-skeletal Disorders	33 hrs		
Immunology/Dermatology	33 hrs		

Supporting Coursework (Practice Management, etc.): 77 hours  
 [132 Academic Credits 1452 hours]  
 Clinic Observation 150 hours  
 Clinic Internship 700 hours  
 Total Clinic Hours 850 hours

**Geriatric Care** – acupuncture care of patients in the context of geriatric and chronic care (student clinic, under supervision; 144 hours; *Mt. St. Vincent's Retirement and Nursing Home, Seattle*).

**Dermatology** – one specialty clinic, and two general clinics to which patients with dermatological conditions were referred (student clinic, under supervision; approx. 130 hours).

**Detox Acupuncture** – providing acupuncture care and support of detox, and general medical treatment, for patients in a residential substance-abuse treatment program (student clinic, under supervision; approx 100 hours; *Cedar Hills Treatment Center, Issaquah, WA*).

### **HIV/AIDS:**

- intensive tutorial training in acupuncture and herbal care of patients with HIV and AIDS (student clinic, under supervision; approx. 100 hours).
- volunteer as an assistant to licensed acupuncturists (while a student, 300+ hours), and as a licensed acupuncturist (after licensing, an additional 300+ hours); *Kang Wen Clinic, Seattle, WA*. Duties included diagnosis, treatment (acupuncture, moxibustion, *tui na*, cupping, etc.) of patients with HIV/AIDS, and other life-challenging/life-threatening illnesses.

**Training for Chinese Herbal Medicine (M.T.C.M. program):**

The curriculum for the M.T.C.M. degree presupposes and is built upon the foundation of the M.Ac. curriculum, beyond which the coursework includes:

**Materia Medica** (detailed study of substances used in Chinese medicine); **Formulas** (the theory and practice of combining medicinals for individualized treatment protocols); **Treatment Strategies**, addressing full range of body systems; other supportive coursework such as **Pharmacognosy** and **Biochemistry**:

	<b>594 hours</b>
<b>Clinic Observation</b>	88 hours
<b>Pharmacy</b>	88 hours
<b>Clinic Internship</b> (with pharmacy responsibilities)	440 hours
<b>Total Clinic Hours:</b>	<b>616 hours</b>

**Additional Academic Electives –**

Seminar: in-depth study of the Chinese classical text <i>Huang Di Nei Jing</i> in comparison with the <i>Tao te Ching</i> (E. Rochat de la Vallée).	44 hrs
Seminar: <i>Treating Emotional Disturbance with Traditional Chinese Medicine</i> (J. Scott and T. Barlow)	44 hrs
Chinese Medical Language (Classical Chinese)	120 hrs

**Study of Classical Chinese Medical Literature** – extensive study of *Huang Di Nei Jing*, *Shang Han Lun*, *Nan Jing*, and *Pi Wei Lun* (medical literature extending from 250 BCE to 1249 CE), in original language and translation, with a focus on diagnostics, herbal medicine strategies, and needle techniques.

**Study of Qi Gong and Yang- and Chen-style Tai Ji** – 4½ years training in a variety of Tai Ji forms (a teacher-training program under *Sifu Hong Yi Jiao*):

Yang-Style 24-form Empty-Hands Tai Ji (the style most commonly taught in the US and overseas)	120 hrs
Yang-Style Double-Edged Sword form	160 hrs
Chen-Style 48-form Empty-Hands Tai Ji	120 hrs
Yang-Style 24-form Tai Ji (as above) – teaching assistant, NIAOM	80 hrs
Qi Gong – <i>the Chinese medicine equivalent of Yoga</i>	40 hrs

## OTHER HISTORY AND EXPERIENCE

17+ years experience in massage therapy; trained in Swedish, Deep-Tissue and Trigger-Point Release therapies.

A further 120+ hours of intensive training in *Tui Na* (Chinese bodywork, which includes a wide variety of applications beyond typical massage work), as a part of the Master of Acupuncture, with extensive application in clinical practice.

Over thirty years coaching experience, with three years as Volunteer Assistant Coach with **Indiana University Diving**, serving both as coach and as the massage therapist/acupuncturist for the team.

International Delegate to the **2000 BioNat** Conference in Havana, Cuba, November, 2000 (Cuba's annual national conference on all forms of natural medicine, which forms a major part of Cuba's medical system).

Was selected to address the closing ceremonies of the 2000 BioNat Conference as the Representative of International Student Delegates.

Student Council, Northwest Institute of Acupuncture and Oriental Medicine (3 years); President of the Student Council (2 years).

Student Liaison to the Northwest Institute of Acupuncture and Oriental Medicine Board of Directors (2 years).

Numerous positions with supervisory and managerial responsibility (including non-profit management, arts management, medical office support, as well as a variety of other settings), and a 10-year history of self-employment in medical practice, and a further 8 years in massage practice.

A wide range of aquatic certifications: Red Cross Lifeguard certification; Red Cross First Aid/CPR/AED for the Professional Rescuer; Red Cross Water Safety Instructor; Aquatic Exercise of America certification; USA Diving Safety Certification.

### *Other Experience of Note*

**Teaching: Acupuncture Point Location** (NIAOM, 1 year);

**Tai Qi** (NIAOM, 2 years);

**Greek, Koine** (University-level, upper division, Trinity Episcopal School for Ministry, 6 months);

**Phonology** (University-level, upper division – undergraduate and post-graduate; various institutions, 2 semesters);

**French, English, General Literature** (high school), **Physical Education**: (high-school and Elementary levels; various institutions, 2 years).

- Sports:**
- More than twenty years experience coaching springboard diving at high school, university, and international team levels.
  - point-person in charge of curriculum development, staff training, and safety management for City of Seattle Parks & Recreation diving programs (2004-2008).
  - Competitive diving – high school, collegiate, and masters' competitions (at both national and international levels; see *Other Significant Accomplishments* below).
  - Tai Qi: Yang-style 24 forms; Chen-style 42 forms, and Yang-style Double-Edged Sword form; Qi Gong: Eight Simple Pieces of Brocade (Ba Duan Jin), Silk-Reeling Exercises, and others.
  - Other sports: swimming, water polo, fencing (foil).

**Other Significant Accomplishments:**

- 33 years competitive springboard/platform diver (roughly, top 120 in USA, 1979-82).
- Scottish National Diving Champion, 1988-89 (current Scottish National Record-holder, 1-meter, 11-dive list; record set in 1989, as yet unbroken)
- National and International Masters Diving Championships: over 20 titles (since 1994);
- professional oboist (freelance; 1975-95).

### *Language Skills*

**Modern Languages:** French (fluent, written and spoken); German, Spanish (both less than fluent); several other modern languages (with limited current fluency; e.g. Brazilian Portugese, Dutch, Italian, Tagalog, Gujarati, Mandarin), either as linguistic research projects, or through personal interest.

**Classical/Ancient Languages:** Biblical Hebrew, Biblical Aramaic, Syriac; Koine and Classical Greek; Classical and Medieval Latin; Classical Chinese.

## ACADEMIC AND PROFESSIONAL REFERENCES

### **Bloomington, Indiana**

**Lesa Lorenzen Huber, professional associate**

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