

Empathy Interview - Answer 2

Note: The answers were initially written in Vietnamese. For reporting purpose, all the answers have been translated into English

Can you share to us why you chose Traditional Medicine as your major and pursue your future career in Medical field?

My mother is working in Traditional Medicine, so I was exposed from a young age and found the treatment very effective for many different types of patients, seeing the joy of patients when being cured. Since then, a love and passion for this topic has been created.

Acupuncture is the core topic of Traditional Medicine. Do you feel interested and in this topic and plan to study about it as the main field of pursuit for your future?

Yes

Do you find it difficult to learn about the Acupuncture Points or Meridians?

There are certain difficulties: how to determine the exact acupuncture points, how to apply the correct technique, suitable for each patient, thereby bringing the best treatment effect to the patient.

Do you usually find it difficult to remember the knowledge about acupuncture points, meridians or acupuncture techniques? With with a vast amount of knowledge and information, which method do you usually use to make it easier for remembering?

Having trouble remembering. Often used learning method is to recall it every day as soon as possible through reading books and going to clinical practice at the hospital.

Based to your preference, remembering a new knowledge through learning by heart, or by attempting it in practice, would be a more effective way?

In practice

Based on your selection in Question 5, can it be applied to studying about Acupuncture Points and Meridians?

Yes

During your lectures about Acupuncture Points and Meridians in general, do you have access to any type of model besides the images from books, documents and lecturing slides?

Yes

Do you feel it is more difficult during time outside of classes, when you no more have the access to the model, to learn more or explore more about the knowledge, or review about the learned knowledge, and remember the information?

Yes

As a university student, can you list some obstacles in learning or researching about Acupuncture? Would you share about the common solutions you used to overcome those obstacles?

Difficulties: the amount of knowledge is increasing because more and more research on acupuncture is available. Determining the exact acupuncture point is more difficult in practice than in theory because it depends on the body anatomy of each patient. How to properly use acupuncture techniques, how to use acupuncture correctly for the disease, how to use acupuncture methods to suit

the condition of each patient, ...

Solution: Learn and understand theoretical knowledge. Practice, practice and practice as soon as you get the chance

Besides the documents provided by lecturers or textbooks, do you usually use other sources to search for information about an acupuncture point or a meridian?

I may use Internet or other textbooks in libraries or school bookstore.

Do you usually apply Technology into your study to make it easier and more effective? If yes, can you share a little bit about how you did that?

No

In the market nowadays, there are some applications supporting show human body model in 3D graphics and allow interacting with the acupuncture points or meridians to make it easier for locating and researching in deeper about those. Have you ever used these applications before?

Have not used at the current moment

You have never used it because you have not had the opportunity to access or feel that learning through such applications is not effective? Can you share some of the reasons why you don't feel like learning through apps or learning through apps isn't working for you?

Have no access.

Some concerns: Is the reliability of the knowledge source of the applications guaranteed? How easy and fast to use? Ads and lag during use?

If an application has multiple color modes, would you prefer to use a dark or light color mode?

Not important. Any of them is good

Do you think a learning support application will best support your needs if it runs well on any of the following device groups: 1. Desktop + PC, 2. Tablet or 3. Mobile?

Mobile

Can you share about your professional plan and direction in the near future? Specifically, do you have a desire to deepen and enhance your experience in the field of Acupuncture?

I have a desire to deepen and improve my experience in the field of acupuncture because acupuncture is one of the quintessence of traditional medicine with increasing treatment efficiency, great applicability and more and more researches. Research demonstrates the science of acupuncture.

Plan and orientation: Go to traditional medicine clinics while still in school to gain practical clinical experience. After graduating from school, she applied for a practicing certificate at a traditional medicine hospital to continue training + work part-time at traditional medicine clinics. Read more books on acupuncture outside of school, especially books from China, Taiwan, Korea, Japan, etc. Find and learn from good teachers in the field of acupuncture. Go abroad to learn more about acupuncture in developed countries about traditional medicine such as China, Taiwan, Korea, Japan, ... as soon as you have the opportunity.