# SESSION 1 - JANUARY

#### Introduction to Ayurveda

- Origins / History / Texts
- Causes of Disease
- Sānkhya Philosophy & Intro to Maha Guna (Psychology)
- Paņcamābhūtās: Elemental Qualities in Nature
- Doşas & Subdoşas Explained
- Prakrti vs Vikrtī
- What's Your Prakrti?

## **SESSION 2 - JANUARY** Doşa Kala ~ Cycles in Life & Nature

- Dinaćarya: Doşa Day (Ayurveda Circadian Rhythm)
- Ritućarya: Doşa Seasons
- Doşa Lifecycle
- Doşa Moon Cycles
- Daily Routines for Self-Care/Hormone Balance
- Seasonal Routines & Home-based Cleansing

## SESSION 3 - FEBRUARY

#### Ayurveda (& Yoga) Psychology: Vihara

- Ćaraka Samhita Perspective on Emotions
- Introduction to Sānkhya Philosophy
- Doşa Guna Recap: Vata, Pitta, Kapha
- Anxiety, Anger & Depression
- Pańca Koşa: 5 Fields / 3 Bodies
- Dosa Cycles related to the way we feel
- Prana, Tejas, Ojas Explained
- Deeper Maha Guna: Our Mental/Emotional State
- Convergence: Vata, Pitta, Kapha in Sattva, Rajas & Tamas
- Specific Practice & Steps to Take to Process & Balance
  - Ayurveda 5 Sense Therapies (More to Come)
  - Specific Foods, Specific Yoga, Specific Meditation

## **SESSION 4- FEBRUARY**

#### Ayurveda Anatomy, Physiology & Pathology

- Introduction to 7 Dhatus (Tissues)
- Understanding Prana (Energy) Transference
- Introduction to Srotas ('Channels' & Physiology)
- Understanding Root Causes
- Ayurveda Pathology of 'Nutrition'
- Nidana Pañcaka/ Hetu: Understanding Root Causes
- Ayurveda Samprāpti Lite (Stages/Pathology of Disease)

## **SESSION 5 - FEBRUARY** How Does Ayurveda Heal? Ahara (Food As Medicine)

- Recap of Doşa Guna
- Ahara Rasa: Food As Medicine
- Dosic Digestion
- The Ayurveda 6 Tastes
- Rasa Karma: Actions/Functions of Taste
- Eating for your Doşa (Mental & Emotional Balancing)
- Ideal & Improper Food Combinations
- Ayurvedic Eating Guidelines: WHAT, but also WHEN & HOW

## SESSION 6 - MARCH How Does Ayurveda Heal?

#### **Ayurveda Herbal Pharmacology**

- Dravyaguņakarma: Difference from Western Herbal Medicine
- The 7 Energetic Expressions of Nature Medicine
- Karmic Actions of Nature Medicine

## **SESSION 7 - MARCH** How Does Ayurveda Heal? Clinical Cleansing / Panćakarma

- Recap: Why Do We Need to Cleanse? Types of Ama
- Prana Transference / Cause of Ama Accumulation
- Deeper Discussion on Pathology / Stages of Disease
- Praśama: The Doşa Overflow
- Panćakarma Clinical Treatment of Complex Disease
- Energy Healing Lite: Intro to Cakras (More to Come)

#### SESSION 8 - MARCH How Does Ayurveda Heal?

# Subtle & Sense Therapies / Sūksma Ćikitsā

- Asatmyendriyartha Samyoga: Feeding of the Senses
- Tantmātrās: 5 Subtle Elements
- Gandha Cikitsā: Aromatherapy
- Rasa Cikitsā: Taste Therapy
- Rupa Cikitsā: Sight Therapy
- Sparśa Cikitsā: Touch Therapy
- Sabda Cikitsā: Sound Therapy

#### **SESSION 9 - MARCH**

## Yoga Śāstra I: Philosophy & Beyond the Physical

- Yoga Definition, Etymology, Origins & History
- Yoga in America
- The 5 Points of Yoga
- The 7 Types of Yoga
- True Meaning & Practice of Hatha
- The Aştāṅga Yoga (8 Limbs)
  - OUTER: Yamas, Niyamas, Āsana
- INNER: Pranayama, Pratyahara, Dhyana, Dharana, Samadhi

## **SESSION 10 - APRIL**

#### Yoga Śāstra II: Philosophy & Beyond the Physical

- Traditional Pranayama Sadhna
- The 4<sup>th</sup> Limb: Prāņāyāma (Breath Expansion)
- Stages & 8 Types of Classical Prāņāyāma Practice
- The 7<sup>th</sup> Limb: Dhyāna (Meditation) Per Doşa
- Mantra (Vibrational Chant) Per Doşa / Bija Mantras
- Sankalpā (Intention)
- Sadhana (Practice of Sacredness)
- Savasana (The Aim)
- 90 Minute YIN / Restorative Class

# SESSION 11 - APRIL

## Yoga Śāstra III: Yoga For Your Doşa

- Ayurveda & Yoga Relationship
- Yoga Anatomy: The Energy Body & 5 Koşa
- The 3<sup>rd</sup> Limb: The Role, Importance & Practice of Āsana
- Asana per Doşa Vikrtī
- Suggested Sequencing to Balance Vata, Pitta & Kapha

**Deeper Knowledge & Balancing Practices Per Dosa** 

Mudra (The 'Seal') & Relationship to Pañcamahābhūta

- Relationship to Both Physical & Emotional States

- Relationship to Prana Vayu & Balancing Dosa

Vata Subdoşas: The Pańca Prana Vayus

Suggested Āsana per Prāņa Vayu

INDEPTH Cakras: Additional Sūksma Cikitsā

Directional Flows of Prānic Energy

#### **SESSION 12 - APRIL** Yoga Śāstra V:

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