

IVAS Faculty Profile

Dee Craig graduated from the University of Missouri-Columbia Veterinary College in 1983. After graduation, she worked in Fulton, a small town just outside of Columbia, Missouri. In 1985, Dee Craig moved to "The Land of Enchantment" and commuted between Las Cruces, NM, and El Paso, TX, managing Sun Valley Animal Clinic from 1986 to 1988. In June of 1988, she took the plunge and purchased Solano Animal Clinic in Las Cruces, NM.

Searching for better pain management modalities, she became interested in the use of Traditional Chinese Medicine. After research and positive personal experience with acupuncture, she enrolled in the International Veterinary Acupuncture Society Acupuncture (IVAS) course in 2004 and completed certification in 2006. Dr. Craig elected to further her education in Chinese Herbs, enrolled in the Chi Institute Herbal course, and fulfilled the certification requirements in 2008. She earned her FAAVA certification in 2019.

Dee Craig commitment to IVAS began in 2008 as a teaching assistant for the IVAS Basic Acupuncture Course. She has served as IVAS Basic Acupuncture Course Teaching Assistant Coordinator, Small Animal Course Coordinator, and course instructor, currently lecturing on Bi Syndrome and Five Element Theory. She also serves as the current president of the IVAS organization. Her term expires in 2021.

Dr. Craig has retired from the practicing world of veterinary medicine. But, she plans to continue teaching and guiding others to integrate acupuncture and Chinese Medicine into their practices.

Her professional memberships include the International Veterinary Acupuncture Society, IVAS Education Committee, IVAS Point Committee, American Academy of Veterinary Acupuncture, American Veterinary Medical Association, and El Paso Veterinary Medical Association.

She and her husband enjoy traveling, enjoying the cultures and vistas of the world. Her interests and hobbies include hiking, photography, scuba diving, underwater photography, class five whitewater rafting, and playing duplicate bridge. With all her free time, one of her primary goals is to hike in all the national parks in the US.