



Phase 4: Supervised Student-Teaching Practicum

This final phase of the Instructor Training program is focused on supervised in-person student teaching. The Practicum also covers how to assess students' hands-on work and give feedback on their case studies, how to complete all of the pre- and post-class paperwork required by the Academy, marketing skills, and instructor business development.

It takes most instructor candidates at least nine months to complete the 120+ hours of the Practicum, with the actual number of hours depending primarily on the number of module classes taught in order to co-teach the required minimum of six students in each of the six modules.

Activities required for completing the Practicum

Completing the Practicum requires instructor candidates to:

- Recruit and enroll at least six students into each of the six modules in the Professional Bowenwork Practitioner certification Level-I training series, coordinating the dates with a senior faculty mentor.
- Co-teach Modules 1–6 (a total of 12 days of training) as a teaching assistant under the supervision of the mentor. Usually, the instructor candidate watches the mentor teach the procedures on the first day of each module and then teaches those procedures in the review on the second day.
- Demonstrate an ability to incorporate feedback from the mentor into each successive teaching engagement.
- Complete the Academy-required paperwork before and after each module class.
- Beginning with Module 3, participate in creating the students' progressive grids and giving feedback to them on their case studies.
- At the discretion of the mentor, teach under telephone supervision modules previously co-taught, to a maximum of four students per class.
- Attend the two-day Module 7 assessment(s) of all the students they have co-taught under in-person supervision or taught on their own under remote supervision.

Note: Co-teaching each set of six modules accrues 96 hours of Academy continuing education credit. As a result, instructor candidates who complete Phase 4 will have accrued enough training hours to earn the Academy's Professional Bowenwork Practitioner 500-hours certificate.