



Frequently Asked Questions

Adult Psychoanalytic Training Program (APT)

What are the requirements for admission to the NCP APT Training Program and what is the process? Applications can be downloaded from the NCP website are accepted on a rolling basis year-round, however there is a deadline of July 31 for receiving all your materials in time for enrolling in the Fall. For those who submit an application by June 15, the application fee will be waived.

California applicants must be a licensed clinician in the state of California. Applicants must hold a PhD, MD, PsyD, LCSW, LMFT, or LPCC and reside in the state of California; licenses will be verified on California Breeze.

International applicants will be considered if they meet all the requirements for admission and hold a mental health license in the country in which reside. All training will occur remotely.

Once an application is received, suitability is determined by the Admissions Committee to determine if the applicant is eligible for psychoanalytic training. This is a two-step process and applicants will be informed of next steps. Required documents for review include: a completed application, verified academic transcripts, licenses, insurance coverage, and two to three letters of reference.

Three interviews are conducted with each applicant, two personal interviews and one clinical interview. The applicants must then be approved following a vote by two committees, the Admissions Committee, and the Education Committee, comprised of the Dean(s) and Education Committee Chairs.

Applications can be downloaded from the NCP website, or can be requested by emailing ncpadmissions@n-c-p.org

NCP does not discriminate based on age, race, color, gender/gender identification, marital status, religion, sexual orientation, or national and ethnic origin in the administration of its educational policies, admissions policies, and scholarship programs. In accordance with California and federal law, NCP has a policy of nondiscrimination for persons with disabilities who are otherwise qualified for training. NCP makes a significant effort to attract diverse students and retain them regardless of their ability to pay the full cost of the program. For those who demonstrate financial need, NCP offers tuition waivers and scholarships. An application for financial assistance can be made once the Clinical Associate is accepted for training.

I have heard the NCP Training Program called a "four-year" program, but doesn't it take longer? The core curriculum consists of two 2-hour theoretical and clinical seminars held on Wednesdays from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. (Pacific Standard Time) from September—June for four sequential years. Additionally, in the first year, there is an Infant Observation class from 7:45 a.m. to 8:50 a.m. for the full academic year of 36 weeks. During the pandemic, Infant Observation is not currently on the schedule. Re-introducing Infant Observation to the curriculum will be evaluated according to state and safety guidelines and is slated for the fall of 2022. After the four years, Clinical Associates must take one theoretical and one clinical course each year prior to graduation. The other major component of the program is three training cases with a minimum average of 50 supervision hours each. Analytic Training at NCP will likely take longer than four years. It is estimated that the program is more like 5-6 years in duration.

I am currently in psychoanalysis; do I have to switch to an NCP psychoanalyst if I am admitted? Enrolled students have until November 1 to transition to an NCP Training Analyst (T/A) who must be seen four to five times per week for the first year of training. Exceptions may apply in certain cases. Please email the Sidonie Freeman, Chairperson of the Admissions Committee to discuss current NCP T/A policies drsidoniefreeman@gmail.com

Is the New Center for Psychoanalysis able to offer students F-1 Visas to International Students? No, NCP is not a SEVP approved institution therefore is not able to do so currently.

Can I pursue both the Child and Adolescent and the Adult Psychoanalytic program simultaneously? Yes, after the first year of training, one can be enrolled in both programs. The Child & Adolescent program brochure is located on our website.

Are reading materials available in any other language than English? No, not at this time; to be able to participate in the program one must be able to speak, read and write fluently in English and be able to log on and utilize the PepWeb (access provided on enrollment). However, note that English is not the first language of many of our current and graduated students.

What do I receive after graduation? What do I qualify for? Upon enrollment as a Clinical Associate at NCP is an approved member of the American Psychoanalytic Association, (APsaA) the Clinical Associate is automatically a Candidate member of the IPA, APsaA and NCP. Clinical Associates are required to remain a member of APsaA throughout their training. Graduates of the program receive a diploma and may refer to themselves as Psychoanalysts. All graduates are eligible for a full membership at NPC, a dual membership if a member of another institute, and can request a Teaching Faculty position. Acceptance into the IPA is determined by IPA policies. As of 2021-2022, NCP graduates who are training remotely will not qualify to become members of the IPA. A certificate in Psychoanalysis will be issued upon graduation.

Do you offer a PsyD or PhD? While we offer advanced training in Psychoanalysis that is accredited by the ACPEinc (a national Psychoanalytic organization) since 2016. We are not offering a PsyD or PhD at this time.

Do you offer training to Academics? At this time, we are not offering a pathway for a Research Analyst license.

Is the APT program offered online? We provide a blended on-site/remote program with the following considerations: International students can only attend via ZOOM. As noted above - international students must live and practice in the country where they are licensed. We are planning to return to in-person classes starting Fall 2022 pending any new health concerns. Therefore, Los Angeles-based students are expected to attend in person. California-based students out of the immediate Los Angeles area are permitted to attend classes, supervision, and training analysis via ZOOM for the duration of their training. The frequency of any in-person meetings for California-based students is still under discussion.

What are the approximate costs of Psychoanalytic training?

The largest expense is the training Psychoanalysis. Training Analysts and Supervising Analysts set their own fees and should be consulted individually. Fees for Supervision of two cases are determined directly with the Supervising Analyst. For the third case, a clinic case, there is no cost for supervision. Tuition is \$2,400 per year plus fees. NCP does not offer loans. Once an applicant is accepted for training, they may apply for a scholarship to cover partial/full tuition costs.