



## ***Frequently Asked Questions***

### **Adult Psychoanalytic Training Program**

**What are the requirements for admission and what is the process?** Applications are accepted on a rolling basis, however there is a deadline of July 31 for receiving all your materials in time for enrolling in the fall. Applicants must hold a PhD, MD, PsyD, LCSW, LMFT, or LPCC in the state of California. International applicants must be a practicing clinician in their country. Once an application is received, suitability is decided by the Admissions Committee to determine if the applicant is eligible for psychoanalytic training. Required documents for review include: a completed application, verified academic transcripts, licensures, and proof of 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 which is comprised of the Dean(s) and Institute sub-committee Chairs.

Download an application from the NCP website, or request one if you are not able to do so by emailing [ncpadmissions@n-c-p.org](mailto: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.

**If am an academic/researcher; can I still apply for this training?** Yes. In the case of academics and potentially, other professionals, the applicant must hold the highest degree achievable in and be strategically placed in their field and/or hold an academic position.

Please forward your CV/Resume to [ncpadmissions@n-c-p.org](mailto:ncpadmissions@n-c-p.org) and someone from the Admissions Committee will be in touch with you and email you an application if you are not able to download one from our website.

**I have heard the NCP Training Program called a ‘four-year’ program, but doesn’t it take longer?** The core curriculum consists of two two-hour theoretical and clinical seminars held on Wednesdays from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. (Pacific Standard Time) from September to 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 (36 weeks.) Currently, no additional Training Classes are offered for credit during any other day or time. After the four years, Clinical Associates must take one theoretical and one clinical course each year prior to graduation. There are no other seminar days or times available currently. The other major component of the program is three training cases with a minimum average of 50 supervision hours each, with a total number of 200 required hours. This requirement may take longer than the four years.

**I have my own therapist; do I have to switch to an institute psychoanalyst if I am admitted?** Enrolled students have until November 1 to transition to an NCP Training Analyst who must be seen four to five times per week for the first year of training. Exceptions may apply. Email the Chairperson of the Admissions Committee to discuss your situation at [drsidoniefreeman@gmail.com](mailto:drsidoniefreeman@gmail.com)

**Is the New Center for Psychoanalysis able to offer students F-1 Visas to International Students?** No, NCP is not a government approved “SEVP” institution and therefore is not able to do so at this time.

**Can I pursue both the Child & Adolescent and the Adult Psychoanalytic programs simultaneously?** Yes, after the first year of training, one can be enrolled in both programs. Please contact Susan Donner, MD, Chair of the Child & Adolescent Psychoanalytic Training Program at [ncpadmissions@n-c-p.org](mailto:ncpadmissions@n-c-p.org)

**Are your reading or program 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 sufficiently speak, read and write 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 other current Clinical Associates.

**What support services to you have for International Students?** International students have available to them all the same rights, services, and privileges as U.S. based Candidates. NCP has several non-US born analysts who serve as mentors, and this is considered at the time Mentors are matched with new Candidates. NCP has full library services, and all NCP support staff are trained in the technology utilized in delivering our classes, and are available by phone, email, and text before, after, and during class time. Course materials are available on the restricted area of the NCP member website 24/7 by logging in. Information regarding all student support services are discussed during fall orientation.

**What do I receive after graduation? What do I qualify for?** NCP is an approved member of the American Psychoanalytic Association, (APsaA). Upon enrollment, a Clinical Associate is automatically eligible to become a Candidate member of the APsaA and NCP, and to participate in the IPA's IPSO organization\*. 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. Student Research Analysts (who are living, working, and practicing in the state of California) become a Research Analyst, currently under the Medical Board of California. All graduates are eligible for a full membership at NPC or a dual membership if a member of another institute and can apply to request a Teaching Faculty position. (Note: \*Graduation from NCP does not ensure membership in the IPA. Following graduation, contact the IPA directly regarding their current membership requirements.)

**Do you offer a PsyD?** While we offer advanced training in Psychoanalysis that has been accredited by the ACPEinc (a national Psychoanalytic organization) for the past five years, we are not eligible to offer this non-clinical PsyD at this time as the state of California has no agency dedicated to the field of Psychoanalysis. However, NCP may be able to offer Doctoral degrees in the future. Applicants may contact the Institute Administrator's office at any time in prior to or during the application process regarding the most recent information regarding accreditation, professional affiliations, potential degree programs, or becoming a Research Analyst in the state of California.

**Once travel is safe again, will NCP accept me as an on-site student?** Yes. However, NCP is not currently meeting in person. Currently, all seminars are held via Zoom in real time, and both personal analysis and supervision sessions are acceptable online during the current pandemic. If a student is admitted in the 2021-2022 year, they will be granted permission to complete their training via Zoom for the duration of the program. NCP will notify all enrolled students and applicants regarding updates on in-person and/or hybrid classes when those determinations are made.

Additional extended distance learning policies for the future are currently under review.

It is important to note that NCP does not receive any federal aid and does not participate in any federal loan programs to finance the tuition of students at NCP. Scholarship applications are available to those in financial need upon admittance into the program.

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