

Course 202 Couples Workshop Presenter Training

202. Workshop Presenters Training Program for Couples

Goal: This course is designed to prepare the Certified Imago Therapist® to present intensive 20-hour couples workshops and starts with a five day personal growth segment designed to help the clinician actualize their full potential as a presenter.

Certification Permissions: Graduates may:

- Represent themselves publicly as Certified Couples Workshop Presenters®;
- Conduct Getting the Love You Want: Workshop for Couples;
- Receive labels from the IRI inquiry data base for their local area to market their Couples' Workshops and have workshops listed on the Imago website;
- Have use of IRI's heart logo to market the Getting the Love You Want: Workshop for Couples;
- Present up to one-day seminars or lectures on Imago Relationship Therapy for educational and/or marketing purposes;
- Present one-day seminars or lectures to professionals on Imago Relationship Therapy for educational and/or marketing purposes as long as it is clear in all promotional material that the seminar or lecture is educational and is not considered a training or a certification program.

Admission Pre-requisites:

1. All applicants for the Workshop Couples Presenters Training Program must have practiced as a Certified Imago Therapist® for the period of two years.
2. A letter of recommendation from their original clinical instructor in the Basic Clinical Training Program.
3. A letter of recommendation from one other faculty member.
4. Applicant must have taken #501 Preparation for Committed Partnership: Singles Clinical Training (40 hrs) before this training.
5. Applicant must have taken #504 Characterological Growth: The Three-day Experience (24 hrs) before this training.
6. Applicant must have participated as an assistant at four "Getting the Love You Want: Workshop for Couples" led by a Certified Workshop Presenter® with positive reports turned in by the presenter.

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Admission Requirements:

1. The applicant must be a member in good standing with IRI as indicated by a letter from the chair of the IRI Board Membership Committee
2. Submit the Workshop Presenter registration form.
3. Submit a VHS unedited videotape of a 1.5 hour session with a couple to the Institute at the time of the application.
4. Submit a VHS tape showing work as a public speaker or workshop leader taped in front of an audience done within the last twelve months.

Course Requirements:

1. Attend ALL sessions (88 hours) of the formal training without exception.
2. Complete required readings.
3. Organize and lead two couples workshops:
 - Workshop I - between Session I and II
 - Workshop II - between Session II and III

(Workshops I and II should include couples from participant's practice and cannot be advertised publicly.)
4. Submit videotaped excerpts from each workshop for assessment at session II and III and receive positive evaluations from peers and the Course Instructor(s).
5. Execute a Couples Workshop Presenter® contract with IRI.

Post Course Requirements:

Within 18 months of the completion of the formal course, the Workshop Presenter Candidate must:

1. Write and submit a workshop manual to their Clinical Instructor(s) which includes a full text of lectures, description of experiential processes and written exercises. This is not designed to be innovative. It is to make sure you have the material well in hand and at your fingertips. Feel free to add your own personal illustrations, but don't take liberties with the outline or material.
2. Lead TWO (20 hour) couples workshops, and only two, until certification. The second workshop must be observed on-site and evaluated by a Certified Clinical Instructor®. A positive evaluation by the Certified Clinical Instructor® must be submitted to IRI and to the Course Instructor(s). (Note: The Workshop Presenter

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3. Candidate is responsible for the travel expenses of the on-site observer and an honorarium of \$500 for a minimum of five hours of observation).
4. Submit all participant evaluations from all four training workshops to the Course Instructor(s).

Continuing Education

5. All Certified Couples Workshop Presenters® must accrue 15 hrs of Continuing Education every two years. This is the case for all advanced certifications.

A common method of gaining the 15 hrs of CE credits is by either joining a supervision group or by sending in videotapes for supervision (this is for supervision only and not for evaluation). By attending one annual Imago International Conference it may be possible to receive all 15 credits.

6. Attend the annual Workshop Presenters Update meeting at least every other year. This is usually held at the Annual Imago International Conference. However, all Workshop Presenters are encouraged to attend the IRI annual conference every year. If this requirement cannot be done for some important reason, the Workshop Presenter may fulfill this requirement by assisting at a Couples Workshop put on by a faculty member and meeting with that member for one hour after the workshop for feedback. The faculty member then needs to send a positive report to the Professional Training Coordinator.
7. Therapists must inform the Institute in writing upon the completion of the update requirements. If they are not completed, the Workshop Presenter must cease doing workshops until the requirements are met. If the Workshop Presenter is inactive for two years, they must attend the annual Workshop Presenters Update and assist at a workshop offered by a Clinical Instructor before they resume offering workshops to the general public. If they have been inactive for five years or more, they need to discuss with the dean how they may become active again.

CE Credits: 88

Tuition: \$4,000

A Non-refundable Deposit of \$800 along with completed Registration Form is to be sent to the IRI Training Department, 160 Broadway, East Building, Suite 1001 NY, NY 10038. The down payment (check or credit card) is made out to IRI. Make sure you send a copy of the Registration Form and a copy of the check to the Clinical Instructor so that they have you on their roster of trainees. The balance is due directly to the Clinical Instructor to be paid in full three weeks before the start of the training. If you would like a payment program, this can often be arranged directly with the Clinical Instructor.