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IMA NEW MEDIATOR COURSE

TRAINER

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DELIVERY

Virtual classroom

DURATION

40 hours

Course Overview

This is the essential introductory mediation course. It is a cutting-edge certificate program for new mediators to build skills and confidence.

Our blended learning approach includes live coaching, community support, online self-paced learning, hands-on practice and dynamic classroom instruction.

Required coursework

- 1. Foundational content
- 2. Coached mediation simulations
- 3. Final assessment

The course is self-paced, so times listed below are approximate.

1. FOUNDATIONAL CONTENT

Duration (approximate)	Subject
1 hours	 Introduction to the course How to join online community Introduction to trainer What to expect How to complete the course Items needed

3 hours

Conflict self-reflection

- Your reaction to conflict
- What's your number?
- Define conflict
- Conflict style assessment
- Implicit biases
- Perspectives

2 hours

Introduction to conflict management

- Overview of conflict management
- Alternative dispute resolution
- Sources of conflict
- BATNA
- Conflict iceberg
- Positions and interests
- Quiz

2 hours

Conflict engagement strategies

- Overview of this module
- How to suspend your reaction
- Leaning into conflict
- Reframing conflict
- Connecting with clients in conflict
- How to educate others about conflict
- Quiz

3 hours

Mediation primer + quiz

- Overview of this module
- Conflict definitions
- Mediation in various settings
- Sample mediations
- Mediation frameworks
- The mediation process
- Standards for mediators
- Quiz

3 hours	Mediator's opening statement + assignment
	 Purpose of an opening statement Elements of an opening statement Building your opening statement Sample opening statements Developing your opening statement Practicing your opening statement Assignment

2. COACHED MEDIATION SIMULATIONS

Duration (approximate)	Subject
6 hours	Videos of sample mediation sessions
2 hours	Online mediation
	 Best practices for mediating online
	 Zoom tutorial
	How to participate in coached simulations
1 hour	Enroll in simulations
12 hours	Coached mediation simulations
3 hours	Self-evaluation submission for each simulation

3. FINAL ASSESSMENT

Duration (approximate)	Subject
2 hours	Complete final assessment

Course Materials

Participants are required to use a notebook for recording responses and tracking progress.

Resources

Bonus content includes suggested reading and supportive materials for mediators.

Certificate

Upon successful completion of the course, participants receive a Certificate of Completion reflecting the 40-hour minimum requirements.