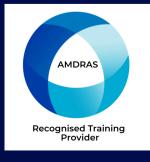


# Practicum Course Guide

This course provides eligibility for AMDRAS Advanced Mediator Delivered by Recognised Training Provider (RTP) Mediation Institute







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# **Practicum Certificate Description**

This course is designed for experienced mediators to engage in a process of reflective practice, growing and sharing their skills and knowledge in preparation for recognition as an advanced mediator.

Successful completion will allow you to apply for accreditation as an Advanced Mediator AMDRAS. It may also contribute to your application for Leading Mediator if you meet the other requirements under an alternative pathway.

# **Course Objectives**

The course focuses on practical skills and self-reflection. It is designed to ensure that participants:

- Demonstrate high-level mediation competency through real-world reflective practice.
- Prepare a comprehensive case study showcasing your approach to complex disputes.
- Understand and share you approach to applying the AMDRAS standards in practice.
- Reflect critically on your mediation style and outcomes to support your ongoing growth.
- Receive and provide professional feedback.
- Address challenges that arise in mediation settings.
- Deepen your understanding of ethical and cultural considerations in dispute resolution.

## **Pre-requisites**

To be eligible for this course, you must meet the requirements established in the AMDRAS. To be able to enrol in this course, you must:

- Currently accredited as a mediator under NMAS / AMDRAS and have been accredited for at least 4 years. That means having passed two renewals.
- You must have evidence of having facilitated a minimum of 150 hours of mediation since you were accredited.

Meet the requirements? Then take the first step to becoming an Advanced Mediator AMDRAS.

**COT Application Form** 

## **Time Commitment**

The requirement is for a 12 hour course although you may find you spend a bit more time than this in preparing for your case presentation.

Delivery options include:

- A Weekend Workshop
- Online Live Workshop sessions 4 x 3 hours per session

See the Expression of Interest Form for current options or to let us know you'd like to be notified when new course options are scheduled.

## **Course Options**

We offer the practicum in 3 formats:

- Weekend an in-person weekend workshop at various locations around the country or
- Online 4 sessions a fully online delivery model.
- **Custom In-House** if you can provide a group of 6 or more eligible team members, ask us about partnering for a private practicum workshop where you tailor the delivery approach within the guidelines provided by the standards.

## **Course Approach**

## **Practicum Case Study Presentation**

Develop and present a case study that demonstrates your skills, ethical approach and reflective learning. The presentation must be a minimum of 30 minutes followed by a critical reflective practice discussion led by the trainers.

### Participate and Contribute in Critical Feedback and Peer Learning

Engage in the discussion with the other participants, sharing your reflections and insights on their case studies.

### **Reflective Practice Journal**

Explore your growth areas, learning edges and development goals leading into or developing from your practicum experiences. 800 – 1,000 word reflection required.

#### Work with Advanced Mediation Skills

Skills refresh and troubleshooting common challenges including cultural and ethical complexities when facilitating mediation with diverse or vulnerable parties.

## **How to Proceed**

#### Enrol and join a course group

- Choose your course format online or in person
- As this is a group training courses can only commence when we have sufficient students (minimum of six and maximum of eighteen)

#### Participate in an orientation session (live or recorded)

- Understand the requirements
- · Help to prepare your case study and presentation
- Guidelines for your reflection journal

#### **Attend the Practicum workshops**

- Attend the mandatory workshop hours
- Present your scenario and engage in the subsequent discussion
- Contribute to the discussion of other presentations

#### **Submit your Reflection Journal**

• Submit this once you've done your presentation, engaged in the reflection and presentations by the other learners on your practicum.

# **Frequently Asked Questions**

### What are my options for presenting my case study?

- Limited only by your imagination
- You can do it as a discussion, you can ask your group to role play sections, or illustrate it in any way you want.

#### What if I miss a session?

- The course isn't just about you presenting your case study, it also requires your participation and contribution to the wider discussion
- If you are unable to attend a scheduled session due to sickness or other reason you will have to participate in another group session.

Additional costs may apply depending on the circumstances.



Visit <u>www.mediationinstitute.edu.au/practicum</u> to enrol or find out more.

## **How to Enrol - Practicum Certificate**

- <u>Enrolment Form Enrolment / Expression of Interest</u>
- <u>Course Page Online Course Information Page</u>
- <u>Payment Page If you have been approved for the course</u> (make sure you get the 10% discount code before paying if you are a Mediation Institute Member)

Due to the pre-requisite requirements fill out the form and we'll get in touch to make sure you are eligible. We'll then make sure that you are prepared and ready for the practicum.

## **Course Fees - Workshop Option**

| Practicum Course - Weekend<br>Workshop | Standard Fee         | <del>\$2,200</del><br>Intro offer \$1,760 |
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| Mi Members Practicum Course            | Mi Member Discount - | <del>\$1,980</del>                        |
| - Weekend Workshop                     | 10%                  | Intro offer \$1,584                       |

# **Online Only**

(5% less than the in person option)

| Practicum Course - 4 x 3 hour online sessions            | Standard Fee                | <del>\$2,090</del><br>Intro offer \$1,672 |
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| Mi Members Practicum Course - 4 x 3 hour online sessions | Mi Member Discount -<br>10% | <del>\$1,881</del><br>Intro offer \$1,500 |

In house - contact us for a quote. Fees will depend on format and logistics.