



Willow Training College

Meditation Teacher, Coaching and Counselling Courses

COURSE MANUAL

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Our Courses

Certificate in Meditation Teaching and Holistic Human Development

(min 120 hours) – 12 modules.

Course duration: 3 months part-time

Part-time 10 hours study per week x 12 weeks

Full time 20 hours study per week x 6 weeks

IICT Recognised certification: (1) Meditation (2) Holistic counselling skills for meditation teachers

Certificate in Corporate Stress Management and Holistic Training and Assessment

(min 220 hours) 35 modules.

Course duration: 6 months part-time

Part-time 10 hours study per week x 26 weeks. Study break allowance (included in course durations) = 6 weeks

Full time 20 hours study per week x 15 weeks. Study break allowance (included in course durations) = 4 weeks

IICT Recognised certification: (1) Meditation (2) Holistic counselling skills for meditation teachers (3) Stress Management

Advanced Certificate in Meditation Teaching and Holistic Human Development

(min 360 hours) 24 modules

Course duration: 1 year part-time

Part-time 10 hours study per week x 46 weeks. Study break allowance (included in course durations) = 10 weeks

Full time 20 hours study per week x 23 weeks. Study break allowance (included in course durations) = 5 weeks

IICT Recognised certification: (1) Meditation teacher (2) Holistic counselling skills for meditation teachers

Diploma of Meditation Therapy

(min 520 Hours) 32 modules

Course duration: 15 months part-time

Part-time 10 hours study per week x 64 weeks. Study break allowance (included in course durations) = 12 weeks

Full time 20 hours study per week x 32 weeks. Study break allowance (included in course durations) = 6 weeks

IICT Recognised certification: (1) Meditation (2) Holistic counselling skills for meditation teachers (3) Meditation therapist

Diploma of Holistic Empowerment Coaching

(min 600 hours) 36 modules

Course duration: 19 months part-time

Part-time 10 hours study per week x 72 weeks. Study break allowance (included in course durations) = 12 weeks

Full time 20 hours study per week x 36 weeks. Study break allowance (included in course durations) = 6 weeks

IICT Recognised certification: (1) Meditation (2) Holistic counselling skills for meditation teachers (3) Meditation therapist (4) Holistic Empowerment Coaching

The Masters in Holistic Empowerment Coaching

(min 840 hours) 48 modules

Course duration: 2 years part-time

Part-time 10 hours study per week x 100 weeks. Study break allowance (included in course durations) = 16 weeks

Full time 20 hours study per week x 50 weeks. Study break allowance (included in course durations) = 8 weeks

IICT Recognised certification: (1) Meditation (2) Holistic counselling skills for meditation teachers (3)

Meditation therapist (4) Holistic Empowerment Coaching

Masters in Holistic Counselling

(min 1,100 hours) 53 modules

Course duration: 2 ½ years part-time

Part-time 10 hours study per week x 110 weeks. Study break allowance (included in course durations) = 20 weeks

Full time 20 hours study per week x 55 weeks. Study break allowance (included in course durations) = 10 weeks

IICT Recognised certification: (1) Meditation (2) Holistic counselling skills for meditation teachers (3)

Meditation therapist (4) Holistic Empowerment Coaching (5) Holistic Counselling

Combined Masters in Meditation Teaching and Holistic Counselling

(min 1,340 hours) 63 modules

Course duration: 3 years part-time

Part-time 10 hours study per week x 134 weeks. Study break allowance (included in course durations) = 22 weeks

Full time 20 hours study per week x 67 weeks. Study break allowance (included in course durations) = 14 weeks

IICT Recognised certification: (1) Meditation (2) Holistic counselling skills for meditation teachers (3)

Meditation therapist (4) Holistic Empowerment Coaching (5) Holistic Counselling

20 Postgraduate courses

(min 80 hours each) 4 modules each

Part-time 10 hours study per week x 8 weeks.

Full time 20 hours study per week x 4 weeks.

Certificate in Meditation Teaching and Holistic Human Development

Approved Modality - Certificate in Meditation Teaching and Certificate in Holistic Counselling skills for Meditation Teachers. (average 120 hours) – 12 modules.

Curriculum Area	Competency	Minimum Hours
Module One Foundation studies in meditation	History and theory of meditation Meditation in the western world Brainwaves in meditation Meditation techniques and styles Developing meditation routines Deepening and refining your practice	10 hours
Module Two Understanding the cause & effects of stress	Understanding stress Psychological causes of stress The Fight-or-flight response Physiology of the stress response Human behavioural manifestations of fight-or-flight Negative effects of the stress response in humans Positive stress Stress management Meditation development and practice Chakra meditation Concentrative meditation Mindfulness meditation	10 hours
Module Three Foundations of human happiness	The psychology of happiness Subconscious programming and reprogramming States of mind Fundamentals of self-image The pursuit of happiness Subconscious programming and reprogramming Guided meditation (creative visualisation)	10 hours
Module Four Tools for healing	Tools for healing Positive thinking skills Foundations of mind-body medicine Meditation as a healing tool & hypnotic states Journaling and gratitude Understanding affirmations Tools for developing a positive self-image Meditation as a healing tool Movement meditation	10 hours
Module Five Meditation styles and techniques	Poses and positions Breathwork Chakras and energy meditation Guided meditation & creative visualisation Mantras and affirmations in meditation Gentle seated movement meditation (formally chair yoga)	10 hours

Module Six Teaching skills	Before you teach Talking to groups & group leadership skills Answering questions about meditation Leading guided meditations Overcoming obstacles to meditation practice Creating safe and effective teaching environments Group leadership skills	10 hours
Module Seven Working with specific groups	Teaching various meditation styles Working with teenagers Working with people with physical disabilities Working with people with emotional disorders Working with health care professionals Business clients and corporate groups Dealing with difficult clients	10 hours
Module Eight Counselling & coaching skills for meditation teachers	A client-centred approach Your role as holistic counsellor Building the foundations of happiness Equipment Outcomes of holistic counselling The holistic counselling sessions Assessment and introspection Goal setting Support Part Listening skills Holistic counselling tools for meditation teachers Life charting Reflection time Needs assessment chart Gratitude journal Worry time Positive thinking skills Affirmations Meditation as a healing tool	10 hours
Module Nine Designing and facilitating classes and workshops	Designing courses and workshops Integrity and intentions Setting the scene Creating strong foundations for your groups Understanding learning styles Choosing your teaching style Terrific teaching techniques and tips Student management Working with seniors Choosing venues	10 hours
Module Ten Virtual, corporate and community settings	Corporate stress management workshops – Includes corporate teachers course manual. Approaching community groups and organisations Volunteer and community work Teaching online – Using Zoom Corporate stress management	10 hours

Module Eleven Holistic small business management	Ethics and Professionalism Your public profile Fundamentals of customer service Maintaining student/client records Charging for your services Running a small home office Joining organisations Insurance and legalities	10 hours
Module Twelve Marketing: The key to success	Understanding the power of branding Targeted marketing and advertising Building your community How to find and use free advertising Public image Final review Your graduation	10 hours

Certificate in Corporate Stress Management and Holistic Training and Assessment

(min 220 hours) – 35 modules

Curriculum Area	Competency	Minimum Hours
Unit One Certificate in Meditation Teaching and Holistic Human Development 12 modules	See modules for the Certificate in Meditation Teaching and Holistic Human Development training course.	120 hours
Unit two Holistic Training and Assessment 19 modules	Introduction Before you teach Your teaching space Integrity and intentions Setting the scene Creating strong foundations Learning styles Teaching styles Delivery techniques Student management Teaching online Teaching via Zoom Maintaining your cool Counselling and coaching skills for trainers and assessors Assessments Designing workshops Working from home Marketing your training and assessment courses	20 hours
Unit three Postgraduate Certificate in Corporate Stress Management 4 modules	Corporate stress management and what a corporate stress management consultant does Understanding your corporate stress management students and clients. How to market your corporate stress management services and attract clients to your business. Conduct Corporate Stress Management consultations to assess your prospective clients' needs. Assess and analyse your corporate clients' needs. Design Corporate Stress Management proposals and provide quotes. Calculate fees and costs for your services. Source and book suitable venues for workshops when onsite workshops are not an option. Design class plans for corporate stress management courses and workshops Materials and equipment for conducting corporate stress management courses and workshops Holistic counselling for corporate clients	80 hours

	<p>Teach stress management and meditation to executives and upper management</p> <p>Tools and procedures for corporate clients</p> <p>Workplace health and safety</p> <p>Managing difficult and unwilling participants</p> <p>Assessing and reporting on productivity in the workplace</p> <p>Facilitating corporate retreats</p> <p>Providing ongoing programs</p> <p>Developing your professional reputation and public image</p> <p>Creating an online presence</p> <p>Developing confidence and professionalism</p>	
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Advanced Certificate in Meditation Teaching and Holistic Human Development

(min 360 hours) – 24 modules

Curriculum Area	Competency	Minimum Hours
Unit One Certificate in Meditation Teaching and Holistic Human Development 12 modules	See modules for the Certificate in Meditation Teaching and Holistic Human Development training course	120 hours
Unit two Postgraduate Certificate in Autonomic Nervous System Realignment Therapy 4 modules	Introduction How you will be able to use autonomic nervous system reprogramming The study of the ANS (autonomic nervous system) Dr Bruce Lipton Language The three brains The autonomic nervous system Neurochemicals The endocrine system Module summary The Autonomic Nervous System (ANS) The Amygdala The Central Nervous System (CNS) The Autonomic Nervous System (ANS) What a nerve consists of The evolution of human consciousness Homeostasis The heart brain The Gut Brain Reprogramming the autonomic nervous system by changing our perceptions and beliefs Finding beliefs to change Belief changing technique Required Reading: Beyond the Relaxation Response: How to Harness the Healing Power of Your Personal Beliefs by Herbert Benson MD The Biology of Belief: Unleashing the Power of Consciousness, Matter and Miracles by Bruce H. Lipton PHD	80 hours

<p>Unit three Postgraduate Certificate in Brain-Body Medicine 4 modules</p>	<p>Introduction to Brain Body Medicine (Psychophysiology) The Role of the Brain Body Therapist (Psychophysiology Therapist) Introduction to Brain Body Medicine The Physiology of Belief Traumatic Beliefs The Power to Heal The Faith Factor and How to Provide it Providing Evidence for Your Clients Placebo – The Science Behind Brain Body Medicine Diagnosis and Seeking the Cause of Illness Guiding Clients to Self-diagnose and Healing Psychophysiology Diagnostic Tools How to Work with Damaging Belief Systems and Conditioning Medical Meditation Writing the Prescription Tools for the Psychophysiology Therapist Marketing Your Brain Body Therapy Practice Building Clientele Referring and Networking</p> <p>Required Reading: Mind Over Medicine: Heal Your Thoughts Cure Your Body by Lissa Rankin MD</p> <p>Meditation as Medicine: Activate the Power of Your Natural Healing Force by Dharma Singh Khalsa MD</p>	<p>80 hours</p>
<p>Unit four Postgraduate Certificate in Advanced Holistic Counselling for Meditation Teachers 4 modules</p>	<p>Introduction to Advanced Holistic Counselling Seeing Clients – Individual and Group Therapy Humanistic Psychology Emotions and Counselling Relationship Counselling and Counselling Couples Counselling Young Adults Trauma Counselling Counselling Clients with Depression Mediating Running Group Counselling and Therapy Sessions Fight or Flight and the Relaxation Response Review • Powerful Tools for Holistic Counselling Creative Expression Therapy</p> <p>Required Reading: The Games People Play by Eric Berne PHD</p>	<p>80 hours</p>

Diploma of Meditation Therapy

(min 520 Hours) 32 modules

Curriculum Area	Competency	Minimum Hours
Unit One Advanced Certificate in Meditation Teaching and Holistic Human Development 24 modules	See modules for the Advanced Certificate in Meditation Teaching and Holistic Human Development training course	360 hours
Unit two postgraduate courses of the student choice from the list below 4 modules	As per the selected units	80 hours
Unit three postgraduate courses of the student choice from the list below 4 modules	As per the selected units	80 hours

Diploma of Holistic Empowerment Coaching

(600 hours) 36 modules

Curriculum Area	Competency	Minimum Hours
Unit One Advanced Certificate in Meditation Teaching and Holistic Human Development 24 modules	See modules for the Advanced Certificate in Meditation Teaching and Holistic Human Development training course	360 hours
Unit Two Postgraduate Certificate in Holistic Telephone Counselling 4 modules	Introduction to telephone counselling Using Zoom and other online platforms for counselling Outline of the counselling call The seven core principles of telephone counselling Feelings are key Active listening Minimal encourages Reflection of content Exploration of feelings Open and closed questions Guidelines for summarising Basic telephone counselling communication guidelines Barriers to effective communication Listening skills Self-care Warnings and contras - When not to use telephone counselling Domestic violence and suicidal clients Role play exercises Required reading: The telephone counsellor's role play handbook by Kerry Doolan Telephone Counselling - A Handbook for Practitioners by Maxine Rosenfield	80 hours
Unit Three Postgraduate Certificate in Holistic Grief and Loss Counselling 4 modules	Introduction grief and loss counselling What is grief? Healing the wounds of grief Grief takes time The journey through grief The grief processes The role of the holistic grief counsellor The pitfalls to avoid Influencing factors on grieving Resources and referrals	80 hours

	<p>Complicated grief Depressive grief and clinical depression Dealing with Acute Emergency Situations (AES) The grief counsellor's role in AES Guidelines for grief counselling Counselling the dying Taking care of yourself Debriefing</p>	
<p>Unit Four Postgraduate Certificate in Holistic Trauma and Abuse Counselling 4 modules</p>	<p>Introduction to trauma and abuse counselling Trauma How healing happens Foundational Relationship Attachment Concepts Abuse Treatments and Solutions The Role of Love in Healing from trauma and/or Abuse Earned Secure Adult Attachment</p> <p>Required Reading: Earned Secure Adult Attachment by Kerry Doolan</p>	80 hours

The Masters in Holistic Empowerment Coaching (840 hours) 48 modules

Curriculum Area	Competency	Minimum Hours
Unit One Diploma of Holistic Empowerment Coaching 36 modules	See modules for the Diploma of Holistic Empowerment Coaching	600 hours
Unit Two Postgraduate Certificate in Holistic Marriage and Relationship Counselling 4 modules	<p>Introduction to holistic marriage and relationship counselling</p> <p>Benefits of Holistic Marriage and Relationship Counselling</p> <p>Issues to consider</p> <p>Attachment Styles</p> <p>Communication Styles</p> <p>Issues for a couple to consider</p> <p>Love Maps</p> <p>Strategies for success in making marriages work</p> <p>Meditation as an effective modality in relationship mediation.</p> <p>Required Reading: Wired for Love: How Understanding Your Partner's Brain Can Help You Defuse Conflicts and Spark Intimacy by Stan Tatkin PsyD. MFT.</p>	80 hours
Unit Three Postgraduate Certificate in Holistic Therapies for PTSD 4 modules	<p>Introduction to Post Traumatic Stress disorder</p> <p>Understanding PTSD</p> <p>The vagus nerves</p> <p>Foundational Relationship Attachment Concepts</p> <p>The effects of abuse and neglect in early life</p> <p>The effects of depression, stress and anxiety</p> <p>Treating depression</p> <p>Understanding panic attacks</p> <p>Working with grief and loss</p> <p>Tools for managing PTSD</p> <p>Using art therapy to treat PTSD</p> <p>Designing meditations for PTSD</p> <p>Talk therapy and PTSD</p> <p>Designing programs and workshops for PTSD</p> <p>Self-care for PTSD counsellors</p> <p>Required Reading: The body keeps the score by Bessel Van Der Kolk</p>	80 hours
Unit Four Postgraduate Certificate in Inner-Child Work 4 modules	<p>Types of Childhood Trauma</p> <p>Theta waves and the realm of imagination</p> <p>The wounded child</p> <p>Tools, exercises and activities for working with the Inner-Child</p> <p>Designing Inner-Child healing programs and workshops</p>	80 hours

	Required Reading: Heal Your Inner Child by Glenn Harrold FBSCH Dip C.H.	
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Masters in Holistic Counselling (1,100 hours) 53 modules

– Not Available in the USA due to differing regulations from state to state.

A minimum of 120 hours of this course must be completed in a face-to-face learning environment. This can be done via zoom (or other live conference call), in a classroom or via residential retreat.

Curriculum Area	Competency	Minimum Hours
Unit One The Masters in Holistic Empowerment Coaching	See modules for the Masters in Holistic Empowerment Coaching	840 hours
Unit Two Holistic Counselling Skills 1 module	<p>Creating safe environments</p> <p>Client Centred Therapy</p> <p>Understanding Anger</p> <p>Anger Management</p> <p>The Polyvagal Theory</p> <p>Ethics for holistic counsellors</p> <p>Client Assessment</p> <p>Required Reading: Holistic Counselling - A New Vision for Mental Health by Dr Patricia Sherwood</p> <p>The Polyvagal Theory in Therapy: Engaging the Rhythm of Regulation (Norton Series on Interpersonal Neurobiology) by Deb A. Dana</p>	40 hours
Unit Three Clinical Practice 1 module	<p>Case Study Sessions</p> <p>Students will take five volunteer clients through hour long counselling sessions each week for 10 weeks. Supervision and guidance will be provided via email to assist students with planning and facilitating the case study sessions.</p> <p>Case study sessions maybe conducted in your own home, live via video conferencing (like zoom) or at a well-being centre in your local area.</p> <p>Volunteers will complete a review and email this to the college after each session to provide feedback on the students counselling abilities.</p>	50 hours
Unit Four Case studies exam 1 module	Write and submit an essay detailing the experiences gained through the case study sessions.	10 hours
Unit Five Holistic Psychotherapy 1 module	<p>Meditation as therapy</p> <p>Introduction to holistic psychotherapy</p> <p>Psychodynamic Therapy</p> <p>Family Therapy</p> <p>Dialectical Behaviour Therapy</p> <p>Interpersonal Therapy</p> <p>Thought Field Therapy</p> <p>Sand-play therapy</p>	80 hours

	Rebirthing-breathwork Neuro Linguist Programming Hypnotherapy Emotional Freedom Technique Expressive Therapy Drama and Role Play Therapy Art Therapy Acceptance and commitment therapy (ACT)	
Unit Six Masters in Holistic Counselling Thesis 1 module	Research and write a Masters in Holistic Counselling Thesis Develop ideas based on acquired knowledge and accumulated experience Complete a major research project Create a substantial piece of writing to demonstrate in-depth knowledge of selected topics	80 hours

Combined Masters in Meditation Teaching and Holistic Counselling (1,340 hours) 63 modules

Curriculum Area	Competency	Minimum Hours
Unit One Masters in Holistic Counselling 53 modules	See modules for the Masters in Holistic Counselling	1,100 hours
Unit Two Postgraduate Certificate in Meditation for Women in Transition and Women's Mid-life Health and Wellbeing 4 modules	<p>Introduction to Meditation for Women in Transition and Women's Mid-life Health and Wellbeing</p> <p>Defining the Mature Woman (mid-life)</p> <p>The Mature Woman in Modern Society</p> <p>What Older Women Really Want</p> <p>The Role of the Therapist Working with Women in Mid-life</p> <p>Health Issues for Mature Women</p> <p>Menopause</p> <p>Empty Nest Syndrome</p> <p>Marriage Breakdown</p> <p>Career Changes</p> <p>Sexuality and the Older Women</p> <p>Positive Health Habits for the Mature Woman •</p> <p>Tools and Exercises</p> <p>Diet and Nutrition</p> <p>Herbs</p> <p>Defining and meeting needs</p> <p>Hormones Research Project</p> <p>Working with women from diverse cultural backgrounds</p> <p>Working with Women Individually</p> <p>Working with Women in Groups</p> <p>Inner Goddess Workshops</p> <p>Running Women's Retreats</p> <p>Open book exam based on the required reading book: The Female Brain</p> <p>Required Reading: The Female Brain by Dr Louann Brizendine</p>	80 hours
Unit Three Postgraduate Certificate in Meditation for Men's Health and Wellbeing 4 modules	<p>The Psychological issues for men's health</p> <p>Physiological issues for men's health</p> <p>Love and self-love</p> <p>Sex & sexuality</p> <p>Emotional guidance strategies</p> <p>Alienation</p> <p>Relationship breakdown</p> <p>Suicide ideation</p> <p>Alcoholism</p> <p>Drug dependence</p> <p>Working with Substance Abuse</p> <p>Working with Suicidal, potentially suicidal & self-harming clients</p>	80 hours

	<p>Working with the emotionally disconnected male Tools for healing</p> <p>Required Reading: Manhood by Steve Biddulph</p> <p>The Male Brain by Louann Brizendine</p>	
<p>Unit Four Meditation course design 1 module</p>	<p>Design a six-week meditation program comprised of six x 1 ½ hour sessions. Including mapping intent and processes of achieving the desired outcomes.</p>	80 hours
<p>Unit Four 30 Hour case study 1 module</p>	<p>Students are required to provide three detailed references from students who have studied meditation with them for more than a total of 10 hours each</p>	

20 Postgraduate courses – 80 hours each

Add-ons and electives.

Postgraduate Courses – Fast Facts

- Prerequisite: Certificate in Medication Teaching and Holistic Human Development.
- Enrol in individual postgraduate courses at any time after completing the certificate course.
- Students receive a post graduate certificate for each course completed.
- Full time: 4 weeks (20 hours per week) / Part time: 8 weeks (10 hours per week).

Postgraduate Certificate in Autonomic Nervous System Realignment Therapy (ANSR)

The Autonomic Nervous System is responsible for determining which neurochemicals and what amounts are released into our bodies; these chemicals create the physical environment our cells form and live in. This course explores the link between the way we chose to think (our perception), the neurochemicals those mental states determines and how chemical imbalances cause disease. Based on clinical evidence, ANSR investigates how and why, what we think influences our level of physical wellbeing and explains, in practical terms, how changing our thinking process will dramatically improve our physical health.

Postgraduate Certificate in Brain Body Medicine

This course explores why people can find themselves 'trapped' in old belief systems, negative thinking and habitual ideas that do not contribute to living happy or healthy lives. It provides a deeper understanding of the simple and practical tools we can use to help adopt a more positive and healthier thinking process. It includes in-depth exploration of how and why particular thinking patterns manifest into specific physical illness. Based on scientific research and humanistic psychology, this course takes the mystery out of 'mind body medicine' and brings a popular theory into a new light as concrete healing modality.

Postgraduate Certificate in Advanced Holistic Counselling Therapy

This course delves deeper into the practicalities of holistic counselling therapy. You will study communication skills (verbal and nonverbal), building counsellor/client relationships, relationship counselling, the holistic counselling process, mental and emotional wellbeing, counselling parents, counselling teenagers and releasing past trauma. This course also looks at the important ethical aspects of holistic counselling and will guide you in developing a completely professional practice.

Postgraduate Certificate in Holistic Marriage and Relationship Counselling

This course provides students with the skills and information required to counsel married couples, unmarried couples, families, siblings and others involved in close relationships who are seeking assistance to overcome difficulties within the relationship.

In this role the Marriage and Relationship Counsellor will often act as a mediator and will provide the couple (or family) with positive communication skills and life tools to assist them in expressing their emotions in a positive and non-blameful manner, taking responsibility for their part in the relationship breakdown, setting goals and identifying desired outcomes for themselves and the relationship.

Postgraduate Certificate in Holistic Trauma and Abuse Counselling.

Trauma and Abuse Counselling works to assist people whose lives have been adversely affected through being abused or traumatised either physically and/or psychologically. This may include sexual abuse, violent physical attack, bullying at home and school or in the workplace, domestic violence, witnessing or being involved in a traumatic incident or accident.

The Trauma and Abuse Counsellors provides support, guidance and resources for the client to overcome the trauma and begin to implement strategies and positive life habits that allow them to live a normal, balanced life again.

Trauma and Abuse Counsellors must also have a thorough understanding of referral networks and the cycle of domestic violence as some of their clients may still be experiencing abuse and require guidance in removing themselves from danger.

Postgraduate Certificate in Holistic Grief and Loss Counselling.

Grief and Loss counselling become necessary when a person is so disabled by their grief and so overwhelmed by their loss, that their normal coping processes are disabled or shut down.

People may require Grief and Loss Counselling after the death of a loved one, after a long term relationship ends or even after losing their job. All people experience grief and loss differently. Grief counselling facilitates the expression of emotion and thoughts about the loss, including their feeling sad, anxious, angry, lonely, guilty, relieved, isolated, confused, or numb.

Holistic Grief and Loss Counsellors are able to provide clients with coping skills, emotional support and resources (and sometimes referrals) to help support them through the normal grieving process and also through what is known as 'complicated grief' (which occurs when the client gets stuck in, or does not progress through, the natural stages of grief on their own).

Postgraduate Certificate in Meditation Therapy for the Management of Depression and Anxiety.

This course provides people with the tools required to self-manage depression and anxiety as well as better manage stress in daily life. As we witness the distressing increase in the number of people dependent on antidepressant drugs to cope with daily life, we realise how essential it has become to provide natural and self-managed alternatives to medication as a standalone treatment. Teaching Meditation for Depression and Anxiety is particularly useful for practitioners who wish to focus on the epidemic of stress, depression and anxiety-related disorders that are rampant in our society.

Postgraduate Certificate in Meditation Therapy for the Management of Pain and Healing.

Modern research has confirmed the age-old wisdom that meditation has the ability to cure many physical and psychological ailments. This training program allows practitioners to specialise in the area of self-empowered healing and personal pain management and covers self-healing, recovery and meditation for pain management. This is an excellent course for anyone who is interested in working in the holistic healing field and combines particularly well with Chair Yoga teaching.

Postgraduate Certificate in Meditation for Children.

This is a great course for those with a special interest in children. Teaching meditation to children is very different from teaching adults and offers young students a fantastic first step toward a lifetime of health and happiness. The kids' classes are lots of fun and high energy. Children learn the basics of traditional yoga poses through role play. They learn about how their bodies work, how to look after themselves and how to be calm and relaxed as well as developing a myriad of important positive life skills to help them cope with the pressures of daily life. Learning meditation also significantly contributes to better sleeping patterns for children and a wide range of other health and emotional benefits for kids and their parents.

Postgraduate Certificate in Prenatal Meditation.

Prenatal meditation and the use of meditation during childbirth contribute significantly to a more peaceful, faster and less painful birthing experience. It also helps to create a calmer, happier baby and a more confident, relaxed mother. This is a wonderful and rewarding field to teach meditation in and the program you will learn to facilitate can be offered as a two-day workshop or adapted for a weekly class structure.

Postgraduate Certificate in Meditation Therapy for Men's Holistic Health and Wellbeing.

This course offers a fantastic opportunity to explore the issues many men face in our modern society. Subjects include men and communication, understanding anger, facing fear, sexuality, men's roles in modern society, rites of passage, fatherhood, men's health, and cultivating creativity for men. This course also covers running workshops and retreats for men, including warrior-style workshops and celebrations of manhood.

Postgraduate Certificate in Meditation Therapy for Women's Midlife Health and Wellbeing.

This course will prepare you to support women in transition and guide them with beautiful tools that assist in developing high self-esteem, self-empowerment, inner strength, trust, self-love, joy and forgiveness. You will also learn about the physical effects of menopause, explore social attitudes regarding women and aging and develop an understanding of the effects of diet, exercise and meditation during menopause. This course also covers running workshops and retreats for women, including goddess-style workshops and celebrations of womanhood.

Postgraduate Certificate in Meditation Therapy for Weight Management.

This course will assist you in developing a good understanding of the causes underlying weight problems, eating disorders and obesity; the physical and emotional impact these conditions have on people's health and quality of life and teach you how to facilitate workshops which assist people in accomplishing a healthy body weight, developing and maintaining healthy lifestyles, healthier mindsets and a more positive self-image. You will also be able to assist people in adopting healthy eating habits, basic exercise programs and meditation routines and guide them towards developing positive thinking skills. Your clients and students will be exposed to a new understanding of why they have weight issues and will be inspired to apply new, practical and achievable ideas. They will have the resources and support they need to overcome the root causes of their weight issues and move forward into a healthier and happier future.

Postgraduate Certificate in Corporate Stress Management.

Stress can have a major effect on work performance. Some of the consequences include absenteeism, diminished performance, negative attitude and cynicism, decline in commitment and creativity, and a decreased ability to concentrate, learn and interact with other employees. Stressed workers can also develop a range of negative health symptoms including insomnia, headaches, back pain, gastrointestinal disorders, fatigue, anxiety, irritability and depression. This course focuses on developing your skills as a Corporate Stress Management Consultant and using your qualification to help build strong workplace stress management programs, better self-esteem among employees, stronger workplace teams and greater productivity levels for business owners.

Postgraduate Certificate in Elemental Movement Meditation

Movement meditation encourages natural and authentic self-expression and provides a means of re-connecting with our most primal, graceful and authentic self. It opens our creative life force, expands awareness and develops equanimity. Students will experience the benefits of movement meditation and learn how to facilitate courses and workshops for a range of different groups.

Postgraduate Certificate in Sound Therapy and Vibrational Healing

A living cell is a blend of resonant frequencies — vibrational healing influences cellular health by changing its frequency through sympathetic resonance. Sound Therapy acts as a catalyst for healing by transferring energy frequencies into the physical body. This type of therapy has been used in medicine in both treatment and diagnostics for many years. Learn how and why this intriguing therapy works and experience Sound Therapy and Vibrational Healings self-evident benefits for yourself.

Postgraduate Certificate in Holistic Therapies for PTSD

Based on the ground-breaking work of psychiatrist, author and educator, Bessel van der Kolk, who has been at the forefront of research in the area of post-traumatic stress the 1970s. Dr van der Kolk has spent his career studying how children and adults adapt to traumatic experiences and have interpreted his findings into his book; *The Body Keeps the Score*.

Students will explore what PTSD is, how it is recorded in the brain, and how it affects the development of the cells. You will also discover very effective ways for supporting your clients to move beyond PTSD into self-empowerment and improved mental, emotional and physical health.

Postgraduate Certificate in the ART of Meditation

Creating art is a type of meditation that can have fast and profound healing benefits. Art making is a natural vehicle for meditation, relaxation and self-connection. It increases awareness and emphasises acceptance of feelings and thoughts without judgment. It is a catalyst for relaxation of the body and the mind.

Art therapy is useful where talk therapy is ineffective because the client cannot express their issues in words. It assists clients to explore, express and accept their thought and feelings in a peaceful and self-empowering way.

Postgraduate Certificate in Inner Child Work

So many, if not all, emotional issues and mental health problems can be traced back to childhood trauma. Inner child work is a way of effectively identifying and resolving childhood trauma. It is focused on the experiences, emotions and unconscious beliefs still being held onto by the adult as a result of childhood experiences. It helps to develop a sense of safety as well as connecting us to the joy, innocence, playfulness, openness and confidence of childhood.

Postgraduate Certificate in Holistic Telephone Counselling.

This course prepares students to offer telephone and online counselling therapy for clients who are unable to attend in person for various reasons. These reasons may include family or work commitments, disability, location, lack of transport or isolation.

Telephone counsellors need special skills to ensure the client experiences as close as possible, the safe and nurturing environment the counsellor would provide in a face-to-face consultation.

FAQs: Frequent Asked Questions

Is this course accredited?

Short answer: Yes!

Long answer: There is a wide range of holistic and complementary therapies modalities which do not fit into the Government Training Frameworks in most countries. These include Yoga, Holistic Counselling, Meditation and Holistic Arts Therapies, just to name a few.

These modalities are industry regulated instead of government regulated. It is not that they are unregulated, just industry regulated. In order to practice as a therapist under these modalities you need industry recognition and to be able to get professional indemnity and liability insurance. Industry-based Associations are not owned by the same people who own the training colleges. They are separate, not associated with the colleges and non-bias. Their purpose is to protect the end-user and maintain the integrity of holistic and complementary therapies. They accept members from a very wide variety of different therapeutic modalities. They are not concerned with the specific styles, techniques, traditions or lineages. They are concerned with the quality, educational content, course outcomes, scope of information, where that information originated and the integrity of the course provider. They have a rigorous process which course providers must adhere to before they provide accreditation for any training courses.

Our courses are recognized with the International Institute of Complementary Therapists, the International Practitioners of Holistic Medicine and the Complementary Medical Association. All have excellent global reputations and rigorous screening processes. We are very proud to have their stamps of approval. Our graduates can join the IICT and the CMA, and get professional practitioner insurance, in 26 countries around the world. Willow's Mind Body Education courses are all evidence-based and incorporate a wide variety of techniques and styles.

Will I be able to get support when I need it?

Absolutely!

Our teaching team is very available. You will be able to contact your teacher directly via email. You can make appointments to have your teacher telephone you.

Our exclusive students Facebook page is very active and you will be able to connect with your teachers and other students.

You may also choose to work with a class "study buddy". You can connect with your study buddy to give and receive support, practice counselling and coaching skills and do activities that require a partner.

If you want to help people grow, learn and experience life to the fullest, then these are the courses for you!

Are you ready to pursue a career in holistic wellbeing?



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