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Davis Autism Approach[®]
Professional Training



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Full Licensing Training

Our professional training is rooted in our philosophy of embracing neurodiversity, respecting every individual, nurturing growth, and building on strengths to overcome challenges.

This training stream is for those who are passionate about empowering autistic individuals, as well as individuals with executive functioning challenges to participate fully in a life they choose. It is designed for people including family members, caregivers, support persons and other interested people, who do not yet have any qualifications or work experience in the field of autism.

The Full Licensing Training is our most comprehensive training stream, equipping each trainee with the knowledge, experience and skills required to become a competent licensed Davis Autism and Concepts for Life Facilitator. As a trainee, you will participate in practical workshops, complete written assignments and work with individuals during practicums, under the supportive guidance of your personal supervisor.



Characteristics necessary for success as a Davis Autism and Concepts for Life Facilitator:

- Respect for autistic individuals and their families
- Patient and calm
- Observant
- Sensitive and alert to non-verbal communication
- Empathetic vs. sympathetic
- Enjoys fun and play
- Belief that autistic individuals can be guided towards full participation in life

Training Structure

Workshop 1: Davis Life Concepts for Autism

Introduction to the Core Principles and Concepts of the Davis Autism Approach (5 days)

Field Assignment One

Practice concepts and tools for self (40-60 hours)

Workshop 2: Davis Autism Approach Facilitation

Introduction to Facilitation and Supervised Practice (5 days)

Field Assignment Two

Deliver concepts and tools with two volunteers (80-120 hours)

Application for enrolment in licensing training

Workshop 3: Davis Autism Approach Advanced Methods

Advanced Methods and Practice (5 days)

Practicum 1

Conduct two full Davis Autism Approach programs with two autistic individuals (Up to 200 hours)

Workshop 4: Davis Autism Advanced Facilitation Practice Meeting

Advanced Facilitation and Supervised Practice (5 days)

Practicum 2

Conduct two full Davis Autism Approach programs with two autistic individuals (Up to 200 hours)

Final Assignment

Completion of ongoing self-assessment and Articulation Questions (10 hours)



Structure: Training Details - Overview of the Training Content

Workshop 1: Davis Life Concepts for Autism

Introduction to the Core Principles and Concepts of the Davis Autism Approach (5 days)

Cost – see www.davisautism.com/training-schedule.html

This five-day workshop is an introduction to the Davis Autism Approach. You will discover the methodology behind this program and how it fills in the ‘missing pieces’ of Individuation, Identity Development and Social Integration for autistic individuals. You will learn how to use for yourself the Davis “self regulatory tools”, how to guide others in their use, and be taken on a journey of the practical exploration of the concepts outlined in the book Autism and the Seeds of Change.

The workshop follows the format of: theoretical components, question and answer sessions and demonstrations, followed by guided hands on practice and feedback in readiness for the first Field assignment.

Davis Autism Approach Field Assignment One

Practice concepts and tools for self (40-60 hours)

Cost \$1100

This assignment is in two parts, firstly in keeping with our belief that “all real knowledge is experiential”, you will create all of the Concepts covered in the Davis Life Concepts for Autism workshop and explore them in your daily life; photos of these along with your written reflections will be submitted for feedback.

Secondly, you will practice the Davis “self-regulatory tools” for yourself as well as guide two or more volunteers through their establishment along with Introduction to Concept Mastery until comfortable guiding these procedures with little or no reference to manuals. Video footage to be submitted.

You will have up to 4 hours email, phone or video consultation time with an experienced Davis Autism Approach Supervisor throughout this assignment plus written feedback on your reports and reflections.

Workshop 2: Davis Autism Approach Facilitation Practice

Introduction to Facilitation and Supervised Practice (5 days)

Cost \$2100

This workshop is designed to develop the ‘art of facilitation’ allowing for small group practice in facilitating others through the Davis Life Concepts. There will be demonstrations, and guided practice allowing for feedback from the presenter and your peers.



There will be a practical evaluation of your ability to guide another through the Davis self-regulatory tools and Introduction to Concept Mastery practiced in Field assignment 1.

Time will be spent on Q&A and how the concepts build one upon the other, and how to effectively explore the concepts in the environment in readiness for Field Assignment 2.

There will be an overview of the licensing benefits and agreements along with an individualized meeting to discuss your readiness to apply for licensing training.

Field Assignment Two

Deliver concepts and tools with two volunteers **(80-120 hours)**

Cost \$1100

This assignment is designed to allow for facilitation practice and in-depth reflection on the Concepts and Self-Regulatory Tools.

Complete two programs with two non-autistic volunteers - one must be an adult. Complete the assignment reports and reflect on the process.

You will have up to 4 hours email, phone or video contact with an experienced Davis Autism Approach supervisor throughout this time plus written feedback on your reports and reflections.

Application for enrolment in licensing training

Opportunity to share motivations, business plan and personal history, to read and understand the License Agreement and be in agreement with the Davis Autism Approach Standards of Practice. Complete the entry-level portion of the Training Self-Evaluation E-booklet, which will be used as a learning guide throughout the training.

Workshop 3: Davis Autism Approach Advanced Methods

Advanced Methods and Practice **(5 days)**

Cost \$2100

This workshop addresses the advanced theories underlying Identity Development and Social Integration. You will experience and practice the specially developed Davis procedures for establishing and maintaining rapport with your autistic clients.

There will be supervised facilitation practice to demonstrate competence and receive feedback on the full range of technical procedures required to facilitate a complete Davis Autism Approach Program.

You will be guided through the exercises for establishing new behaviors, which will be practiced in small groups, along with the Responsibility Exercises designed to assist older higher functioning autistic individuals who have experienced failed responsibility in areas of their lives. There will also be small group practice and feedback on Intake and Assessment procedures.



There will be tutorials, Q&A and group discussions regarding: adapting to the client, facilitated vs. coached program structure, scheduling and guidelines; various types of clients (adults, children, verbal, non-verbal), required program materials; program administration & forms and standards of practice. Information on trademark use; licensing agreement requirements and benefits; website requirements and license renewal criteria will be detailed along with an individualised meeting to discuss your readiness for the Practicum.

Davis Autism Approach Program - Practicum 1

Conduct two full programs with individuals, who are on the autism spectrum (**up to 200 hours**)

Cost \$1500

In your own professional practice setting, provide two complete Davis Autism Approach Programs with individuals on the autism spectrum. You will receive up to 10 hours of supervision and mentoring from an experienced DAA Supervisor, including regular video meetings and feedback on video segments or live links of your work. Case reports of each program must be submitted for review, evaluation and feedback.

Workshop 4: Davis Autism Advanced Facilitation Practice

Advanced Facilitation and Supervised Practice (**5 days**)

Cost \$2100

There will be intensive supervised facilitation practice leading to mastery of the full range of technical procedures required to facilitate a complete Davis Autism Approach Program, including further instruction in the logic, reasoning and strategies which underpin the Davis Autism Approach.

Davis Autism Approach Program - Practicum 2

Conduct two full programs with individuals, who are on the autism spectrum (**up to 200 hours**)

Cost \$1500

In your own professional practice setting, provide two complete Davis Autism Approach Programs with individuals on the autism spectrum. You will receive up to 10 hours of supervision and mentoring from an experienced DAA Supervisor, including regular video meetings and feedback on video segments or live links of your work. Case reports of each program must be submitted for review, evaluation and feedback.



Final Assignment

Cost \$300 (10 hours)

Submit in writing or video some simple explanations - as if speaking to a prospective client/ parent/ caregiver about the various aspects of the Davis Autism Approach principles and methods. Submit your Training Self- Evaluation E-booklet showing all past learning goals and targets have been met.

NOTE: Any of the training steps may require repeating and in some cases a trainee may be asked to do a personal Concepts Program prior to continuing.

Additional Supervisor hours beyond those included in each Field Assignment may be purchased at \$100 per hour.

Annual license fee: \$500 for the first year, \$750 thereafter

Annual renewal criteria

Client list and completed research questionnaires along with one case report per annum for the first two years of licensing; followed by periodic submissions of case reports for quality assurance upon request of DAI. Should a second case study be required, a reading fee of \$150 will be charged per case study submitted.

Professional Development Requirement

It is expected that all licensed Facilitators keep up to date with current developments in autism and are required to undergo professional development annually. All Facilitators are required to attend a Davis Autism workshop on working with non-verbal autistics and the very young within two years of licensing.

Please note all costs and fees are in US Dollars.

License benefits:

In addition to being part of a worldwide community, supporting each other, and working together to create inspiring change in the world of autism, you will receive:

- ⦿ Your business listing on Ron Davis Autism Foundation website.
- ⦿ Referrals of program enquiries received by Ron Davis Autism Foundation.
- ⦿ Right to use Davis trademarks in promotion and advertising the Davis Autism Approach Program and Davis Concepts for Life program.
- ⦿ Right to print copyrighted marketing materials created by Ron Davis Autism Foundation.



- ⦿ Right to purchase specialized Davis Autism and Concepts for Life materials from authorized vendors.
- ⦿ Regular professional development opportunities offered by Ron Davis Autism Foundation.
- ⦿ Subscription to Davis Autism Approach and Concepts for Life Facilitator network for peer support and advice.
- ⦿ Periodic e-newsletters & technical updates/bulletins from Ron Davis Autism Foundation.
- ⦿ Consultation with Davis Autism Approach and Concepts for Life Supervisors as needed.
- ⦿ Right to offer NOIT supervision to families of non-verbal autistic individuals.

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