

General Course Information

NOTE: This course requires compulsory materials to be ordered. Please click on the Supplies tab for details.

The Analysis & Skills Mentoring Program has been designed to promote the quality of the work that every family historian and genealogist should strive to achieve. Do not limit your level of excellence by assuming that this program is not relevant to your specific projects.

This course will allow you to implement the training you have received throughout your Basic Level courses. There will be compulsory reading. You will already have studied all the instructional materials required within your Basic Level courses. Enriching your researching skills, this program will allow you to practice and improve your problem solving capabilities. If you are a beginning level genealogist, we advise you to complete all other Basic Level courses before starting this one. If you have been involved with genealogy for a few years and have a good understanding of basic records and methodology, you may choose to work on this course in conjunction with the other courses in the Basic Level.

The course's assignments/projects will be reviewed by an instructor. Feedback will be provided during two individual consultation appointments. Discussing the assignments you have completed and receiving advice regarding the appropriateness and quality of your assignment answers is an integral part of this practical program.

Please be aware this course is set up in a different format than most of our other courses. Although this is a 52-week course, it simply means that you will have up to one year from the date you start the course to complete and submit all the assignments and the private one-on-one consultations. Once you have scheduled your start date for this course, it is advised you make every effort to schedule your time to work towards completing the course's required reading, assignments, attend the Virtual Meetings, and consultations with an instructor.

COURSE CONTENT

Course Introduction

- General Notes
- The Learning Process

Course Guidelines & Instructions

- Introductory Questionnaire
- Public - Virtual Meeting - GENERAL Discussion

Course Reading Materials

- Required Reading

Practical Exercises

Assignments 1 to 3

- Assignment Answer Example
- Points of Consideration in Answering
- Written Example of a Research Plan
- Assignments 1-3

Private - First Consultation Appointment

Scholarly Article Interpretation

- Article Review
- First Reading
- Second Reading
- Third Reading
- Fourth Reading
- Required Reading

Assignments 4 and 5

Public - Virtual Meeting - ARTICLE REVIEW

Private - Second Consultation Appointment

At the discretion of the instructor, if required, an additional assignment may be given

Questionnaire

Supplemental Course Reading

- Ethics in Genealogy
- Codes of Ethics

Citing Your Sources

- Core Elements for Original Sources, Derivative Sources, Online Sources
- Structure
- Examples include: census (fictitious), vital record, book, chapter/article, website, database, digital image
- Recommended Reading

Evidence Analysis

- Genealogical Proof Standard
- Recommended Reading

Virtual Meeting - Article Review

Suggested Additional Reading

Useful Forms