

Highgate Counselling Centre
Diploma in Psychodynamic Counselling (a BACP Accredited Course)
September 2018 - December 2020

Guidelines for applicants

Please read these notes in conjunction with the Course Outline.

1. Applicants must be over 25 years of age.
2. Applicants must have previously completed a course of study leading to the award of a Certificate in Counselling Skills, or have previous experience of working in a helping profession.
3. Applicants must complete an application form together with a supporting statement and submit these to Highgate Counselling Centre by 30 April 2018.
4. Selection is by interview. A fee of £95.00 is payable to cover registration and interview fees and a cheque for this amount should be included with the application form and supporting statement. Alternatively, a BACS payment can be made. This fee is non-refundable. Our bank details will be provided on request by telephoning 020 8883 5427 or e-mailing kevin.hamilton@highgatecounselling.org.uk.
5. Each applicant selected for interview will need to attend two separate interviews at Highgate Counselling Centre. These will be carried out by two individual members of the training team.
6. Applicants will be assessed on their ability to meet the academic requirements of the course as well as their potential to carry out clinical work with counselling clients at Highgate Counselling Centre.
7. As part of the course requirements, students are required to be in psychodynamic therapy, on a minimum weekly basis, until they qualify. This includes successfully completing the academic assignments provided throughout the course and undertaking a minimum of 100 hours of clinical work. The cost of personal therapy is not included in the course fees.
8. Therapy must be undertaken with a qualified psychotherapist or analyst who has trained with an approved training organisation. Please see the list of approved training organisations available as a download from our website.
9. Applicants must demonstrate a desire and commitment to exploring and studying the psychodynamic model of counselling.
10. The course is run over two years and one term. Applicants must be able to commit to the timeframe outlined above.
11. Students who leave the course prematurely (either through choice or via termination of your training programme by the Training Committee) will be expected to give two full terms notice, or to pay Highgate Counselling Centre two full terms fees in lieu of notice, and, if applicable, to pay the balance of the fees for the term during which notice is given.

Please direct any queries to: Kevin Hamilton, Training Manager
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