

Orton-Gillingham Training 2018 Application



Overview

As part of The Blosser Center's mission, we provide training for individuals interested and dedicated to becoming certified in the Orton-Gillingham tutoring method.

The Blosser Center is on the Oregon Department of Education's **List of Approved Dyslexia-Related Training Opportunities**. We are certified as a training center by the Academy of Orton-Gillingham Practitioners and Educators (AGOPE) and the International Dyslexia Association (IDA), and our trainers hold certifications from both.

Who should take the Orton-Gillingham Approach Training?

- Reading specialists
- Special Education teachers
- Classroom teachers
- Instructional assistants
- Professional tutors
- Volunteer tutors

The Academy requires trainees and all potential members to have a Bachelor's degree. Therefore, we can only accept those applicants that have such a degree, unless you are currently working for a school district as an aide.

How long is the training?

The complete training for the AOGPE Associate Level certification takes 1-2 academic years to complete. Sixty hours of summer coursework is followed by a supervised internship over one or two years, which are scheduled outside of the summer instruction and carry additional costs and fees. The training must be completed in the following order:

- 1) Summer Coursework: Ten-day intensive instruction (60 hours of instruction), to be held **Monday - Friday (8:30am - 3:30pm)** from **June 18 - June 29th, 2018**.
 - a) **Week One:** *Classroom Educator Level* (30 hours of classroom instruction)
 - Classroom Educator Level Internship: 50 hours supervised practicum over 8 consecutive months, minimum, which includes 5 observations of the trainee teaching complete lessons in a group (of at least 2 students) or classroom setting.
 - b) **Week Two:** Associate Level (30 hours week one coursework and additional 30 hours week two coursework for a total of 60 hours of classroom instruction.)
 - Associate Level Internship: 100 hours supervised practicum over 8 consecutive months (minimum), which includes 10 entire 40-60 min lesson observations of the trainee.
 - Option A: 100 hours teaching 1:1
 - Option B: 50 hours 1:1 and 50 hours teaching in a group (of at least 2 students) or classroom setting.

(Please note: a trainee's child does not qualify as an official practicum student.)

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Summer Coursework Costs

The summer course carries a collective cost of **\$2,500** and includes course materials

- Week One: *Classroom Educator Level* (\$1,250)
- Week Two: *Associate Level* (\$1,250)

As part of the summer instruction, we provide a user-friendly manual that translates the concepts and procedures of Orton-Gillingham into plain English, a variety of supporting texts, and card decks for lessons.

Submission

Please submit your completed application via e-mail to info@theblossercenter.org and lynnlamping@theblossercenter.org. Please note: space is limited.

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In pursuing a tutoring certification from The Blosser Center, we require trainees enroll in both the Summer Coursework and Practicum in the same school year. After successful completion of the coursework and Practicum, the trainee will be invited to enroll in the Practicum Part II.

Coursework Schedule

10 days, M-F: June 18-22 & June 25-29 (8:30 am – 3:30 pm/daily)

_____ Summer Coursework (includes materials and background check) \$2500
Both Weeks

Week One: \$1,250

Week Two: \$1,250

Practicum – Part I

_____ 5 observations with practicum students, including practicum consultations \$1250*

Practicum – Part II

_____ 5 observations with practicum students, including practicum consultations \$1250*

Both practicums (10 observations) can be done in a minimum of one school year.

**Fees subject to change*

College Credit may be applied for upon completion of training & practicum

The Blosser Center, like other organizations that work with children, requires that all trainees pass a Federal and Oregon State Background Check before working with students in the internship.

To apply, please make your course selection and enclose a \$500 deposit.

Deadline for withdrawal is April 30, 2018, after that date the deposit is nonrefundable.

Make checks payable and mail to:

The Blosser Center for Dyslexia Resources
PO Box 18082
Portland, OR 97218

The balance is due two weeks before the start of the course. A payment plan can be arranged.

**The Blosser Center for Dyslexia Resources admits students regardless of race, religion, or ethnic origin.
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