



Introduction

The Mercury Internet School of Psychological Astrology (MISPA) offers a professional online training course in psychological astrology.

MISPA's course consists of two years, split into a first year of set classes which teach the core themes and skills of psychological astrology, and a second year where students will attend webinars on a variety of topics exploring different avenues of psychological astrology, counselling skills and other techniques to help them provide better astrological consultations. *It should be noted that no formal training as a counsellor or therapist is provided by the course.* The course is run as real time online tutorials. The student will be able to interact with the tutor and other students, ask questions and watch the recorded sessions if they miss them or wish to revisit them.

The course runs over three-terms each year, with terms usually starting in October, January and April. Students are expected to attend or watch the recordings of all classes in year one and all webinars in year two. Each term will have one or two supervision groups which students *must* attend and where each student has the opportunity of presenting case material from the charts they are working on. In the second year an oral assessment will be conducted for each student.

Qualifications

On completing the required number of classes, webinars, supervision groups and an oral assessment the student is entitled to receive the **MISPA Certificate of Completion in Psychological Astrology**.

After passing, the student is entitled to take **MISPA's Diploma in Psychological Astrology**, with permission to use the letters **Dip. MISPA**. In order to be awarded the MISPA Diploma in Psychological Astrology the student must present a one and a half hour oral exam to at least two tutors, demonstrating their skills with a client over a series of sessions. An extra fee is payable for the Diploma exam. The successful graduate will be able to apply the principles and techniques learned during the course to their professional activities as a consultant astrologer.

The MISPA Diploma does not constitute a formal counselling or psycho-therapeutic training, therefore students who wish to work as ongoing counsellors or therapists are encouraged to complete a further training course focussing on these skills.

Fees

The MISPA Course costs £1770. This is payable in six instalments, due before each term commences. (£295 for each term). The full course fee covers the cost of classes, webinars, supervision groups and oral assessments. If students wish to attend additional webinars, they are entitled to a reduction in the webinar fee. If they wish to continue to take further webinars and supervision groups after the two years until they take their Diploma they may do so at an arranged fee.

Admission Requirements

The guidelines for admission to the course are:

1. A sound basic knowledge of the meaning of the signs, planets, houses, aspects, transits and progressions. We recommend the Foundations of Psychological Astrology Course run by John Green at the CPA which will take the student to the required level of knowledge. We are also happy to consider those who have taken a similar level course at other schools or if they feel they have the knowledge without a formal course they may email us for an assessment.
2. Being able and willing to work on one's own individual development.
3. Adequate educational background, level of English and communication ability will be looked for in students, as well as a degree of empathy, integrity and sense of responsibility.

Whilst not a formal requirement MISPA would recommend that all students be involved in a recognised form of depth psychotherapy with a therapist, analyst or counsellor of their choice. We also recommend that they take a course in counselling skills or therapeutic training. This is because we believe no responsible counsellor of any persuasion can hope to deal sensitively and wisely with another person's psyche without some experience of their own.

Year 1

Year One

Classes take place on a Tuesday. Time: 18:45-21:15 GMT/BST

Year One 2016/17 Dates

Each term consists of 7 classes. The topics covered are:-

Term 1

Tuesdays. Dates: 18 October - 29 November 2016.

Time: 18:45-21:15 GMT/BST

- Introduction to Jungian psychology
- The persona
- Parental images and family dynamics
- Complexes and projection
- The shadow
- Vocation
- There is one supervision group.

Term 2

Tuesdays. Dates: 24 January - 7 March 2017.

Time: 18:45-21:15 GMT/BST

- The anima and animus
- Relationship astrology - synastry and composites
- The psychology of transits, progressions and directions

- Solar returns
- There is one supervision group.

Term 3

Tuesdays. Dates: 25 April - 6 June 2017.

Time: 18:45-21:15 GMT/BST

- Life cycles
- The astrology of the collective
- World astrology
- The consulting astrologer
- Chart narration
- There are two supervision groups.

Students also get to pick one *free* webinar per term, they may attend extra webinars at a student rate.

Year 2

Webinars and supervisions take place on a **Sunday**, Time: 15.30 – 18.00 GMT/BST

Each term will have six webinars each given by a different tutor or visiting lecturer. These are designed to embrace a wide variety of topics to help broaden your astrological knowledge. There will be two supervision groups per term with students split into smaller groups with a separate tutor. Supervision groups are a time to share charts you are working on with the group to practice your skills and to ask for advice. Each student will also have a one hour oral assessment with a tutor in the third term.

Year Two 2016/17 Dates

Term 1

Sundays. Time: 15:30-18:00 GMT/BST

- Sun 9th Oct 2016 – Juliet Sharman-Burke - How to apply Counselling Techniques in Psychological Astrology
- Sun 16th Oct 2016 – No lesson
- Sun 23rd Oct 2016 – Helen Sewell - Uranus and the Vision of Human Potential
- Sun 30th Oct 2016 – John Green - Trick or Treat – Mercury as trickster, psychopomp and communicator
- Sun 6th Nov 2016 – Clare Martin - Secondary Progressions
- Sun 13th Nov 2016 – Lynn Bell - The Moon and dependency
- Sun 20th Nov 2016 – Supervision Group
- Sun 27th Nov 2016 – Darby Costello - Astrology and Art: The Artist and the Birth Chart
- Sun 4th Dec 2016 – No lesson
- Sun 11th Dec 2016 –Supervision Group

Full details of the webinars can be found [here](#)

Term 2

Sundays. Time: 15:30-18:00 GMT/BST

Dates TBC - 8 Sundays between 22 January and 26 March 2017

Term 3

Sundays. Time: 15:30-18:00 GMT/BST

Dates TBC - 8 Sundays between 23 April and 25 June 2017

Topics covered will be various, some covering special areas of interest of the lecturer, others looking at more core themes or further exploration of the themes covered in Year 1.

Topics may include, but are not limited to, subjects such as:-

Current Cycles

Generational Cycles

Planetary Archetypes

Signs and Houses

Aspects

Techniques and Ethics of Forecasting

Relationship Astrology

Interpretation Techniques

Astrology in the World

Body/Mind, Illness, Health

Myths

Counselling Skills

Other techniques such as Horary, Midpoints, Harmonics etc.

Students who have completed the CPA Intermediate Course previously would be eligible to join in Year Two.

Complaints Procedure

We hope that any problems that may occur between tutors and students, or any other grievances with The Mercury Internet School of Psychological Astrology, can be resolved quickly and fairly at all times.

1. If students have any grievances, they are expected to informally discuss this with their Tutor.
2. If the grievance is not resolved, the student should then email the Director outlining the grievance along with supported documentation where possible. The Director will endeavour to resolve the grievance swiftly and fairly.
3. If the student is still unsatisfied with the result, the Director will engage an independent body to hear the student's grievance.

Additional Information

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