

Three Courses of Dog Training

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Learning to become a Professional Dog Trainer starts with learning in three distinct areas:

- Understanding all about dogs - what makes them what they are
- Communicating knowledge and skills to people
- And of course, developing critical training skills - applying knowledge into action.

Recognizing students have difficulty putting their lives on hold to master a new vocation such as Professional Dog Training, All Dogs Academy has a flexible approach to educating the aspiring dog trainer - 5-day courses, plus follow-up homework assignments to be completed once you're back home again.

All Dogs Academy offers two levels of Dog Training courses, with an advanced course for dealing with difficult behavioral issues. Here is an overview of the three programs taught at All Dogs Academy:

Course 1 - Dog Training Course - 1 (DTC1)

The Foundation Unit

Learning dog training starts with understanding how dogs learn, what influences and affects their learning, how to communicate with and understand dog body language, and developing the physical, observational and timing skills to train dogs from simple to complex behaviors. The course combines lecture, discussion, demonstrations, and loads of hands-on training with a wide variety of dogs. [Click here to download the current catalog and enrollment information.](#)

Course 2 - Dog Training School - 2 (DTS2)

For graduates of Course 1, the focus is on more training dogs

Dog trainers work hands-on, one-on-one with the dog, without the owner. The trainer teaches the behaviors the owner wants. Once the dog is trained, they then teach the client how to handle the trained dog. Trainers do the 'heavy lifting' training the dog - then teach the human client how to communicate with the dog. Becoming a dog trainer requires training dogs - lots of them. Students will work with a variety of dogs, assessing their individual needs and how best to train them. Certification for this course involves continued assignments after the completion of the on-site unit, including videos and training logs.

Course 3 - Behavior Problem Solving (BPS)

For graduates of Course 2 - To learn about dealing with behavior issues.

Behavioral counselors deal with owners and dogs one-one-one assessing and addressing behavioral issues from housesoiling or barking to dealing with dog-to-dog and dog-to-people aggression. Coursework includes interview techniques, assessing dog temperament, eliminating variables and designing and setting up problem-elimination sessions. Certification for this course involves continued assignments after the completion of the on-site unit, including

behavioral assessment notes, and follow-up evaluations.

Homework assignments include video and written assignments. Students will work one-on-one with an Advisor through phone calls, email or postal mail, if necessary. The critical step of hands-on experience - applying knowledge into effective training - takes place through a combination of our in-person Schools, video and coaching.

More to come

Our Training school trainers and instructors cover a broad range of talents and interests. Want to learn to teach Agility? We've got a program in the works. Want to train Service Dogs? Our trainers have this experience, too. It all starts with Course 1. For more information our future plans, contact us.

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