

CASPARI FOUNDATION GRADUATE ACCREDITATION POLICY

Completion of the following requirements is mandatory before a graduate can be considered for accreditation with our member organization the UK Council for Psychotherapy (UKCP). The Accreditation Subcommittee will ratify accreditation applications. Upon successful completion of this process, we will recommend our graduate for accreditation with the UKCP. Graduates must also have Professional Membership with Caspari Foundation.

Accreditation Requirements:

1. Completion of all elements of the taught part of the Advanced Diploma in Educational Psychotherapy to a satisfactory level and subsequent graduation.
2. Completion of Module 10: Mental Health Familiarisation learning outcomes to a satisfactory level. This will include the production of a 1500 word assignment on Awareness, Diagnosis and Treatment – see Module 10 in the Student Handbook for further details.

Therapeutic work undertaken with children and young people:

3. A minimum of 450 supervised client hours must include between 50-100 adult/parent/carer hours.
4. The ratio of supervised client hours has been 1:4 (during Years 1-2 of placement) and 1:6 (during Years 3-4 of placement, discretionary*).
5. That at least one client has been seen for a minimum of 1 year.
6. That the client hours have taken place within at least two different settings approved and monitored by the Caspari Foundation- see Module 8 for further details.
7. That trainees must ensure they gain experience of working across all Key Stages with CYPs from ages 5 – 18 years.

Evidence Provided:

1. Log/s of client hours from all placements, signed by Caspari Clinical Supervisor.
2. Signed log from placement link professional(s) of client hours.
3. Supervision log signed by Caspari Clinical Supervisor.

Further Guidance Notes:

- Trainee EPTS must not engage in private practice whilst completing the Adv Dip course.
- Trainees EPTs may obtain paid employment which allows them to practice 121 EPT or 'other' 121 therapeutic work: in order for these EPT or 'other' hours to count towards the Adv Dip they must be supervised by a Caspari clinical supervisor at the appropriate supervision ratio.
- Before beginning work as described above, trainees MUST write to the Course Director describing what this work is and what arrangements they have made to

meet the above criteria. If trainees do not meet the above requirements these hours will not be counted towards the 450 supervised clinical hours required for UKCP accreditation.

- All clinical training placements need to have been set up by the Course Director with Service Level Agreements in place before the trainee begins in order for the placement to be official. Trainees are encouraged to find their own placements – but the Course Director must be involved in assessing suitability of placements.
- Where necessary graduates will have a further two years beyond the year of completion of the taught part of the training to complete the above requirement regarding 450 hours.

If a graduate needs, for any reason, an adjustment to this time limited extension as described above they must submit a written request to the Accreditation Subcommittee of the Caspari Foundation no later than 6 months after completion of the taught part of the training.

Professional Membership of Caspari Foundation is currently £85 per year and includes a range of benefits to members.

Accreditation subcommittee members are - Chair of EPAC and the Course Director.

Chair of EPAC = Trisha Reid, Trustee

*Student Monitoring protocols.

References

- College for Child and Adolescent Psychotherapies (C-CAP) Standards for Education and Training (2022) [ccap-standards-of-education-and-training-2022.pdf](https://www.psychotherapy.org.uk/ccap-standards-of-education-and-training-2022.pdf) ([psychotherapy.org.uk](https://www.psychotherapy.org.uk))
- UKCP Child Psychotherapy Standards for Education and Training (2019) [Standards, guidance and policies](https://www.psychotherapy.org.uk/standards-guidance-and-policies) | UKCP ([psychotherapy.org.uk](https://www.psychotherapy.org.uk))
- Advanced Diploma in Educational Psychotherapy: Student Handbook, Caspari Foundation, available in members area of CF website and Student Google Classroom.