The Institute of Contemporary Psychoanalysis affords candidates the excitement of advances in psychoanalytic thought built on our rich heritage of psychoanalytic theory. Appreciation of our embeddedness in contexts of diversity, culture, and history informs our thinking and teaching. Many of our instructors are widely regarded authorities in the field and contribute regularly to the literature. As a center for inquiry, clinical training, and research, we embrace the tripartite method of training. Immersion in a training analysis infuses coursework with personal meaning and augments engagement in three supervised control cases. We welcome applicants from a variety of disciplines to take part in this unique exploratory adventure that will increase knowledge, expand self-awareness, and enhance clinical skills. Graduates earn an accredited doctorate in psychoanalysis.

Deadline for completed applications is August 1st.

CONTEMPORARY PSYCHOANALYSIS
A spirit of critical inquiry infuses all aspects of the training program, which ranges across theory and practice from Freud to the most recent and innovative psychoanalytic contributions. The weight of the program rests on contemporary developments in theory, clinical applications, and research.

ACADEMIC FREEDOM
The ICP curriculum is modeled on postgraduate university seminars, with two years of core, foundational classes. Candidates then shape their own program of study with the academic freedom to engage in their own interests through electives, independent study projects, and candidate-generated classes.

PARTICIPATORY DEMOCRACY
A freestanding institute, ICP endorses a democratic, contemporary psychoanalytic education best effected independent of the hierarchical constraints of existing national and international psychoanalytic organizations. Decision-making is vested in a Board of Directors elected by members and candidates represented by each constituency. Candidates maintain complete freedom over their choice of ICP-approved training analyst, supervisors, and advisor, all of whom they may change at their own discretion, without prejudice.

THE TRAINING PROGRAM
The program of study consists of the personal analysis, supervised analytical control cases, and four years of seminars.

COURSE OF STUDY
ICP offers candidates two modes of classroom participation. In the Weekday Program, seminars meet weekly from September through May. Candidates in the Weekend Program meet for six weekends of intensive study over the course of a calendar year. There are four years of seminars in both programs. The course of study at ICP encourages independence of thought and gives candidates the responsibility for mastering a core body of psychoanalytic knowledge.

THE GRADUATION PAPER OR PROJECT
Candidates reinforce their training experience at ICP by completing a scholarly paper that captures and expresses their growth as clinicians and psychoanalytic practitioners (outside of private practices) in full-time jobs. Candidates meet for 6 weekends over the course of 3 months, Friday morning through Sunday afternoon. Weekend candidates take the same courses and have the same requirements as those in the weekday program.

WEEKEND PROGRAM CLASS SCHEDULE 2014/2015

THE PROGRAMS
The ICP curriculum comprises a critical consideration of the diverse theory and practice of contemporary psychoanalysis. Academic freedom is highly valued and encouraged. The curriculum gives candidates considerable freedom to choose among seminars; half the course offerings are electives. Candidates demonstrate their clinical skills and understanding of psychoanalytic principles through written case reports, participation in supervision and seminars, and finally through the graduation project.

1) The 4 year Analytic Program leading to PsyD is offered in the following ways:
1. Traditional full-time weekday program in which the candidates meet weekly on Thursdays over a course of nine months (from Sept.-May). Candidates are enrolled in two classes per semester, engage in full-time analysis, and take on control cases at their own pace.
2. Part-Time Weekday Program Candidates take only half of the standard first year seminars in their first year at ICP, and take the remaining half their second year. They are in twice per week analytic therapy. Beginning in their third year, they enter full-time status and must begin full-time training analysis.
3. Full-time Weekend Psychoanalytic Program (is for long-distance candidates well as those who are employed outside of private practices) in full-time jobs. Candidates meet for 6 weekends over the course of 3 months, Friday morning through Sunday afternoon. Weekend candidates take the same courses and have the same requirements as those in the weekday program.

DOCTORATE IN PSYCHOANALYSIS
Candidates completing the analytic program will receive a Psy.D. (Doctorate in Psychoanalysis). The Ph.D. (Doctorate of Philosophy in Psychoanalysis) is a special educational track. Those who elect this track will complete the full training program, take additional research courses, and write a doctoral dissertation.

RESEARCH PSYCHOANALYST PROGRAM
The Institute has approval from the California State Board of Medical Quality Assurance to register Research Psychoanalysts. Persons with Ph.D.s in fields related to Psychoanalysis (Anthropology, History, Literature, etc.) who are not licensed to practice psychotherapy, can be trained in this category. Research candidates must have taught or conducted research.

CONTINUING EDUCATION CREDIT
Most ICP core courses and some electives, as well as most public education programs, are approved for Category I Continuing Education Credit by the Board of Behavioral Sciences and the Boards of Private Postsecondary and Vocational Education. ICP is approved by the American Psychoanalytic Association to sponsor continuing education for psychologists. ICP maintains responsibility for this program and its content.

FEES
Application for training: $150 if application is submitted by June 1st, $200 if submitted by July 1st, and $250 if submitted by August 1st. No applications will be accepted after August 1st. Application fees are non-refundable.

Tuition: $150 administrative fee and $1,500 per semester (programs of scholarship and tuition deferral are available based on meeting specific criteria).

ICP admits qualified applicants, and does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, gender, sexual orientation, religion, age, handicap, national or ethnic origin in the administration of its educational or admissions policies or other programs.

The Institute of Contemporary Psychoanalysis (ICP) is approved by the Bureau of Private Postsecondary Education (BPPE). ICP’s school code with the Bureau is 25168. Receiving a Psy.D. or Ph.D. from ICP does not make students eligible to sit for applicable licensure exams in California or other states. Receiving a Psy.D. or Ph.D. from ICP may not be recognized for some employment positions with the State of California.

A student enrolled in a degree program at ICP is not eligible for federal financial aid programs.