



Academy of
Orton-Gillingham
Practitioners
and Educators

2019-20 Orton-Gillingham Approach Teacher/Tutor Training for Dyslexia and Literacy Instruction - A Deeper Understanding

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Location: Denver Academy, 4400 E Iliff Ave, Denver, CO 80222

Registration Closes October 1st or once the class of 40 is full.

The **Classroom Educator (OGCE)** coursework follows the curriculum set forth by the Academy of Orton-Gillingham Practitioners and Educators (AOGPE). This is an in depth 6-day, 42-hour course. This level of membership prepares a teacher for implementing the Orton-Gillingham Approach within a classroom or group, but not one-on-one tutoring.

The **Associate Part 1** coursework option follows the curriculum set forth by AOGPE. This is in depth 9-day, 63-hour course preceded by an additional 10-hour introductory online course. Completion of the Associate level prepares individuals to teach one-on-one, and with any size group using the Orton-Gillingham Approach.

The **Associate Part 2** coursework option follows the curriculum set forth by AOGPE. This course is for those who have already completed the 6-day, Classroom Educator (OGCE) coursework. Completion of the Associate Part 1 coursework prepares individuals to teach one-on-one, and with any size group using the Orton-Gillingham Approach.

For additional information or to enroll, please email Diane Mayer at OGanswers@gmail.com. The University of Colorado at Boulder is offering 3 GTRE credits for OGCE, 4 GTRE credits for Associate Part 1, 1 GTRE credit for Associate Part 2 at \$80 per credit. (These courses are offered by the Division of Continuing Education as part of the Statewide Extended Studies Program). Completion of a subsequent Practicum is required to obtain Academy (AOGPE) membership and certification. Coursework and practicums meet the prerequisite requirements for the International Dyslexia Association's Dyslexia Certifications.

Course hours are 8 am - 4:15 pm. Topics covered in each course are listed below.

- **2019 OGCE & ASSOC Part 1: 6 Day Course - 10/19-20, 11/16-17, 12/7-8 - \$700**
 - Dyslexia and reading disorders
 - The rationale of the Orton-Gillingham Approach
 - Phonology & phonological awareness
 - The motor component and the writing process
 - Basic phonics for reading and spelling
 - Intermediate phonics for reading and spelling
 - The lesson plan, and teaching materials
 - General history of the English language and beginning morphology
 - Assessment and diagnostic-prescriptive teaching
 - Accuracy, automaticity, and fluency
- **2020 ASSOCIATE Part 2: 3 Day Course - 1/11-12 & 1/26 - \$400**
 - Vocabulary development, homonyms, and simple grammar

- Expository paragraph and essay writing
- Reading comprehension
- The student profile, and progress reports
- Providing direct one-on-one instruction
- The Academy's philosophy, standards, and requirements

Course fees includes each courses' training manuals and teaching materials. Participants must provide some supplies and their own lunch/snacks. A list of required readings and supplies is provided upon request or registration.

A subsequent practicum, in keeping with the Academy's standards (www.ortonacademy.org) for application as a Classroom Educator or Associate Member Option A or B, is available for an additional cost. The practicum provides guidance during the practical application of the coursework. Please email Diane Mayer for additional information at OGanswers@gmail.com

Karen Leopold, MS Ed, an Accredited Training Fellow of the Academy of Orton-Gillingham Practitioners and Educators (AOGPE), holds four New York State teaching certifications: General Education N-6, English 7-12, Reading, and Special Education. She has taught in one-on-one and group settings, and worked as the Multisensory Language Consultant for several private and public schools. She served as the Director of the Kildonan Teacher Training Institute for 7 years, and 3 years as the Director of Language Training at Camp Dunnabeck. Karen has provided extensive teacher training, conducted workshops, and presented at many conferences in the United States and Canada. She has published *The Student Notebook I (Basic), and II (Advanced)*, which is geared toward the dyslexic student, and is coauthor of the *Learning Cursive* workbooks, *Learning Print*, and *Conquering Spelling Demons I and II*. She is the Past-President of the Colorado Rocky Mountain Branch of the International Dyslexia Association, is now the IDA Branch Council Pacific Regional Representative, and is currently on the AOGPE Board of Trustees.

Diane Mayer is a Fellow-in-Training with the Academy of Orton-Gillingham Practitioners and Educators (AOGPE) under the mentorship of Karen Leopold, Fellow. Diane is a Colorado native and worked in public schools for 29 years. She spent most of her career as a Reading Interventionist for Littleton Public Schools. Diane has provided extensive teacher training, conducted workshops, and presented at many conferences in Colorado. She is the Vice-President of the Rocky Mountain Branch of the International Dyslexia Association. With a dyslexic husband and son, she is passionate about educating others about the science of reading instruction.



What is the Academy of Orton-Gillingham Practitioners and Educators?

The expressed purposes of the Academy are to -

- ❖ Establish and maintain professional and ethical standards for practitioners and educators of the Orton-Gillingham Approach for the treatment of dyslexia.
- ❖ Certify individuals who have demonstrated competence as practitioners and educators of the Orton-Gillingham Approach.
- ❖ Accredite programs that train Orton-Gillingham practitioners and educators.
- ❖ Accredite, in schools, clinics, and summer programs, Orton-Gillingham instruction that meets Academy standards.
- ❖ Promote public awareness of the needs of children and adults with dyslexia, and of the Orton-Gillingham Approach for the treatment of dyslexia.

Visit the AOGPE website at: www.ortonacademy.org