

RAMS Peer Specialist Mental Health Certificate Advanced Course

Interactive Classes

Classes are conducted by experts working and teaching in the behavioral health field, as well as by peer providers who have years of experience serving the San Francisco community. Students will have regular opportunities to practice the skills and techniques learned in class through interactive exercises with classmates and consultation with instructors.



In January 2019, Richmond Area Multi-Services Inc. (RAMS) will offer its **8-week Peer Specialist Mental Health Certificate Advanced Course** targeted to individuals, and family members of individuals, who live in San Francisco and have received behavioral health services.

Specialized Training

Students will be trained in topics relevant to the peer counseling field, such as: Core Interpersonal Counseling Skills, Wellness & Recovery Principles, Cultural Humility, Boundaries & Ethics, Providing Trauma-Informed Care, De-Escalation & Crisis Prevention, Documentation & more!

The Advanced Course is designed to empower & educate participants working as peer providers, advocates, and volunteers in the community--as well as those with relevant education in the field--who would like to obtain specialized training and professional development in a collaborative learning environment. Through the class, students will expand their knowledge, build confidence, and enhance their capacity to provide strengths-based, person-centered peer counseling services & support in the community.

Winter 2019 Course Details

rams Advanced Course Winter 2019 Cohort will take place from **January 22nd to March 14th, 2019**. Classes will be held Tuesdays & Thursdays from 3PM-6PM at SFSU Downtown Campus (835 Market St). The course is **free** of cost to students and a **stipend** is provided upon successful course completion.

KEY DATES TO REMEMBER

Application Release Date: Thursday, November 15th, 2018
Informational Open House: Thursday, November 29th @ 835 Market
Application Due Date: Thursday, December 20th @ 5PM
First Day of Instruction: January 22nd, 2019

Application & Minimum Qualifications

- At least 18 years of age and a San Francisco resident
- Have completed High School education or GED
- Individuals with work experience, training, or education in peer counseling / behavioral health field highly encouraged to apply
- Designed for individuals who have received behavioral health services, and their family members
- Download application materials at: www.ramsinc.org!

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