

FACULTY OF
ASTROLOGICAL
STUDIES

PROSPECTUS

Raising the Standard of Astrological Education since 1948



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ABOUT ASTROLOGY

Astrology has been studied and practised continuously for thousands of years and has played an important, and often central, role in the scientific, medical, philosophical, literary and psychological traditions of cultures all over the world. From ancient Mesopotamia, Egypt and Greece, through to the present day, astrologers have seen the stories of individual lives and great historical events reflected in the heavens.

Astrology explores the meaningful connection between mankind and the wider cosmos, the relationship between the movements of the planets and the inner world of human consciousness and motivation.

Studied at universities throughout Europe from the 11th to the 17th centuries, astrology was included in the curriculum of every educated person. In the days before astronomy and astrology became separated, many of the greatest scientist/astronomers were also practising astrologers.

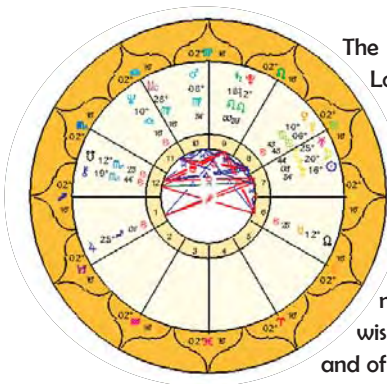


With the development of mechanistic science and the decline of the study of the mystical and magical traditions in the 18th century, astrology lost the status and intellectual respectability it had enjoyed in the past, but as we enter the 21st century the holistic nature of the universe is once again being revealed across many disciplines.

The aim of the Faculty is to open up this exciting and profound world of self-discovery and to guide you through astrology's abundance and complexity, helping you to build your knowledge, to think and search for yourself and to use astrology with skill and confidence.

THE FACULTY OF ASTROLOGICAL STUDIES

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The Faculty of Astrological Studies was founded in London on 7th June 1948 at 19.50 BST. Its aim has always been to raise the standard of astrological education and to cultivate the teaching of astrology as a serious subject of study. Over the years the Faculty has introduced more than 10,000 students from over 90 countries to a deeper understanding of this ancient subject, whether they have been motivated to gain the Faculty's Diploma, or simply wish to broaden their understanding of human nature and of their own personal character and motivations.

The Faculty is known worldwide as a first class astrological teaching body and its Diploma is a highly-respected and internationally-recognised qualification. Diploma holders are entitled to use the letters D.F.Astrol.S. and to be included in the Faculty's Directory of Consultants. Many of the world's leading astrologers began their studies with the Faculty. Liz Greene, Mike Harding, Charles Harvey, Julia Parker, Melanie Reinhart and Howard Sasportas are just a few of the Faculty's Diploma holders who went on to become leading lights in the world of modern astrology.

The Faculty's courses provide sound, broad-based, high-quality astrological education for the complete beginner right through to the professional astrologer. Our goal is to ensure that students develop good skills in both technical and interpretive astrology. Whether your aim is to become a professional astrologer, or simply to study for personal enjoyment, the Faculty's classes, seminars, distance learning courses and summer schools offer a comprehensive and flexible education in this fascinating subject, from its origins to the most recent developments in theory, practice and research.

Patrons

Robert Hand, B.A., Hon.D.F.Astrol.S.
Liz Greene, Ph.D., D.F.Astrol.S.
Baldur Ebertin, Ph.D., Hon.D.F.Astrol.S.
Julia Parker, D.F.Astrol.S.

Past Patrons

John M. Addey, M.A., D.F.Astrol.S.
Dane Rudhyar, Hon. D.F.Astrol.S.

A. P. A. I.

The Faculty is an APAI approved school and Faculty Diploma Holders are eligible to become members of the Association of Professional Astrologers International

A. P. A. E.

The Faculty is a Founding Member of the Advisory Panel on Astrological Education

STUDYING WITH THE FACULTY

Flexibility and Choice

The Faculty's courses offer flexibility and choice. Our modules can be studied by distance learning and at classes and seminars in London. Complete Diploma modules can also be studied at our annual Summer School. You can choose whichever method of learning suits you best, and alternate freely between them to suit your individual needs. You can spread the cost of your studies, and take a break between modules if you wish.



Distance Learning

Many students enjoy the flexibility and freedom of studying by distance learning. You can enrol onto any module at any time of the year and work at your own pace, arranging your study time to fit in with your life. Working by email with your personal tutor allows you to continue your studies whenever you choose, or wherever you may be - at home, at work, on holiday, or indeed anywhere you have access to your emails. Each



module comes with a six month period of tuition, during which you will have the one-to-one support of your own personal tutor.

As a Faculty registered student you will have access to the online student forum and become a member of our global astrological community, able to chat to other students whenever you wish and no matter where you are in the world.



Classes and Seminars

Classes and seminars at both Foundation and Diploma level are held in central London. The advantage of studying astrology at live classes is the opportunity to meet like-minded people, make new friends and to learn from the experience and examples of other students, and with all our modules available as Saturday seminars, you don't have to live in London to take advantage of live tuition. You will receive the individual support and feedback of your class tutor, and enjoy the vibrant community of the Faculty's London classes.



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Summer School

The Faculty's annual Summer School brings together students from all over the world for weekend and week-long programmes suitable for both beginners and experienced astrologers. Each year we schedule a number of complete Diploma modules at Summer School, as well as providing a rich programme of study featuring many additional specialist subjects which fall outside the scope of the Faculty's core syllabus. Many of the world's most eminent astrologers are regular contributors to our Summer School programme.



ABOUT THE FACULTY'S COURSES

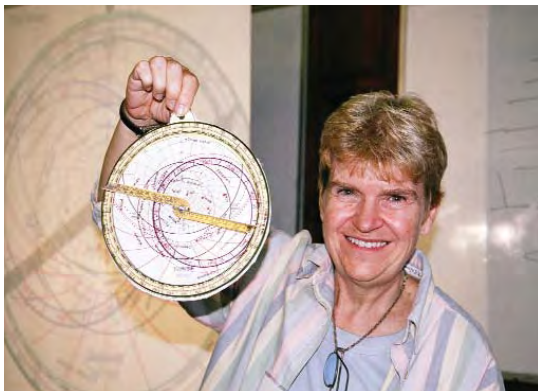
Whether you are studying for your own personal development or with a view to becoming a professional astrologer, the Faculty's Foundation and Diploma courses provide a complete, comprehensive and thorough astrological education.

Our course material is unique - we have a philosophical but practical approach to the art and craft of astrology, preserving its rich traditions and at the same time embracing and including modern psychological and post-psychological thinking. Our course material is constantly updated, providing thorough, in-depth and comprehensive guidance to help you understand and work with astrology, from basic principles to the inclusion of a wide variety of techniques and from basic chart skills right through to intermediate and advanced levels of astrological interpretation.

Our complete course is designed in three levels and nine modules. The Foundation Course is taught in Modules 1-3, Diploma Level One consists of Modules 4-6 and Diploma Level Two consists of Modules 7-9.

If you are studying by distance learning, you have six months of tuition support on each module although, depending on the time you have available for your studies, you are free to work through the modules more quickly. You should set aside approximately five hours a week for reading and for the completion of homework exercises and assignments. If your six month tuition period expires before you have completed the module you have the option to apply for an extended period of tuition support.

If you are attending classes or seminars in London each module is taught in one 8-10 week term. Complete Diploma modules are also taught in five days at Summer School.





Maximum flexibility is built into the modular structure, enabling you to enrol on each module when it suits you and to take a break between modules if you wish.

The Faculty's modules are available to all, and you are welcome to enrol on any of them whether or not you wish to work towards the Diploma qualification.

Admission Requirements

There are no formal admission requirements, although you will need basic mathematical skills and good written and verbal communication skills. Students for whom English is a foreign language should have the ability to write in English reasonably well.

Faculty Tutors

All the Faculty's tutors are Faculty Diploma holders and their aim is to ensure that you have a rewarding and individually-supported learning experience. Whichever method of studying you choose, your tutor will support you throughout the course, mark your exercises, suggest extra reading, provide specific examples and generally ensure that you have all the guidance and feedback you need to work through to the successful completion of your studies.



FOUNDATION COURSE

The Foundation course is designed for complete newcomers to astrology as well as for those who wish to consolidate their previous knowledge and reading within a structured course. The course aims to provide you with a basic understanding of the language of astrology and the ability to interpret a birth chart with some degree of competence. You will learn to calculate and draw up a horoscope, and you will be introduced to the solar system, the seasonal year and to the astronomical basis of time. You will also be introduced to the history of western astrology and encouraged to explore your own ideas about the nature of astrology.

Completion of the Foundation course is a significant achievement in itself and will provide you with a solid basis for more advanced study.

FOUNDATION COURSE SYLLABUS

Module 1:

Introduction to Astrology: Planets, Signs & Houses

An introduction to the language and basic building blocks of astrology. The planets - their mythology, astrological meaning and interpretation. The signs of the zodiac - their groupings by element and mode. The interpretation of planets in different signs. The twelve houses. Astronomy for astrologers: the solar system and celestial sphere; the seasons and the cardinal points.



Module 2: Chart Skills I

The angles and house rulerships. Planetary aspects, aspect patterns and their interpretation. The Sun-Moon relationship, lunar phases and the Moon's nodes. The astrology of time and space. How to read an ephemeris. Learning to calculate charts I: the calculation and interpretation of the angles in a horoscope. An introduction to the history of western astronomy and astrology.

Module 3: Chart Skills II

Chart emphasis, imbalances and unaspected planets. The retrograde motion of planets. Learning to calculate charts II: finding the exact positions of the planets and drawing up a complete horoscope. Finding the main themes and potentials revealed by a birth chart and integrating what has been learned into the interpretation of a complete horoscope. An introduction to the philosophy of astrology: defining astrology and its place in the modern world.

DIPLOMA COURSE

The Diploma course consists of six modules and is designed for students who have already completed the Foundation course. In the Diploma course, the topics and skills taught at Foundation level are further developed and extended, and new subjects and techniques are introduced.

DIPLOMA COURSE SYLLABUS DIPLOMA LEVEL ONE

The aim of the Diploma Level One modules is to extend and deepen your interpretation skills. You will be encouraged to develop an imaginative and sensitive approach to chart interpretation and to address the ethics of good practice. You will be introduced to the most commonly used forecasting techniques, and learn to interpret a natal chart as it develops over time, incorporating transits, solar returns, secondary progressions and solar arc directions into an integrated natal chart interpretation. During your Level One studies you will be developing your reading and ideas about astrology's place in the world as a system of thought, and its relationship to philosophy, psychology, literature, religion, science and the mystery traditions.

Module 4:

Time I - Transits and Solar Returns

The theory of time and of life cycles, planetary cycles and Kepler's laws of planetary motion. The interpretation of transits and solar returns. Astrology as a system of thought.

Module 5:

Time II - Progressions and Directions

The theory and application of symbolic timing techniques including secondary progressions, the progressed lunation cycle and solar arc directions.

Module 6:

Intermediate Interpretation

A practical module designed to build skills and confidence by applying the interpretation skills learned so far. You will be introduced to the graphic ephemeris and to ways of laying out and identifying all the major factors in preparation for a fully integrated chart interpretation.



DIPLOMA LEVEL TWO

At Diploma Level Two you will be introduced to the theory and practical application of the astrological techniques of midpoints, harmonics and synastry. You will learn about world astrology, the relationship between the individual and the collective, astro-geography and relocation, as well as electional astrology. You will continue to develop and consolidate your interpretation and consultation skills and learn to interpret charts at a more advanced level.



Module 7: Techniques I - Midpoints, Harmonics & Synastry

This module introduces the theory and practice of midpoints and harmonics. You will learn how to interpret midpoint trees, the cardinal/fixed/mutable sort, and how to use midpoints in forecasting. You will also learn the origins, theory and practice of harmonics and how to calculate and interpret harmonic charts and minor aspects. You will be introduced to the technique of synastry: the astrology of all kinds of relationships, the use of the synastry grid and composite charts.

Module 8: Techniques II - World Astrology

This module is concerned with the relationship between the individual and the world in which we live, the astrology of large historical cycles and the astrological ages. You will learn how to interpret astro-geography maps and how to relocate charts to different parts of the world. You will also learn about electional astrology - the art of choosing a beneficial time for a range of different enterprises.

Module 9: Advanced Interpretation and Astro-Consultancy

The development of consultation skills and the ethical issues which arise in client work. The development of self-awareness through the study of the synastry between the charts of the astrologer and client. The integration of a wide range of skills and techniques into an advanced chart interpretation.

QUALIFYING WITH THE FACULTY



Many people study with the Faculty simply for the enjoyment of learning astrology and it is entirely up to you whether or not you decide to work towards the Faculty's Diploma qualification. Either way, our nine modules in themselves provide a structured and comprehensive astrological education and you will automatically gain credits as you complete each module, whether you are studying at classes, by distance learning or at Summer School.

You will gain additional credits towards the Faculty's Diploma when you pass the three Interpretation Exams as follows:

	CREDITS	TOTAL
FOUNDATION COURSE MODULES		
Module 1	20 credits	120 credits
Module 2	20 credits	
Module 3	20 credits	
Certificate Interpretation Exam	60 credits	
120 credits: you are awarded the Faculty Certificate		
DIPLOMA LEVEL ONE MODULES		
Module 4	20 credits	120 credits
Module 5	20 credits	
Module 6	20 credits	
Intermediate Interpretation Exam	60 credits	
DIPLOMA LEVEL TWO MODULES		
Module 7	20 credits	120 credits
Module 8	20 credits	
Module 9	20 credits	
Advanced Interpretation Exam	60 credits	
360 credits: you are awarded the Faculty Diploma and entitled to use the letters D.F.Astrol.S after your name		

Module credits represent the continuous assessment component of our qualification procedure. Exam credits are added to the module credits you have already obtained until you reach the total of 360 credits and gain the Faculty's Diploma.

For further information about qualifying with the Faculty visit the exams page on the Faculty's website or contact the Exam Secretary at: exams@astrology.org.uk



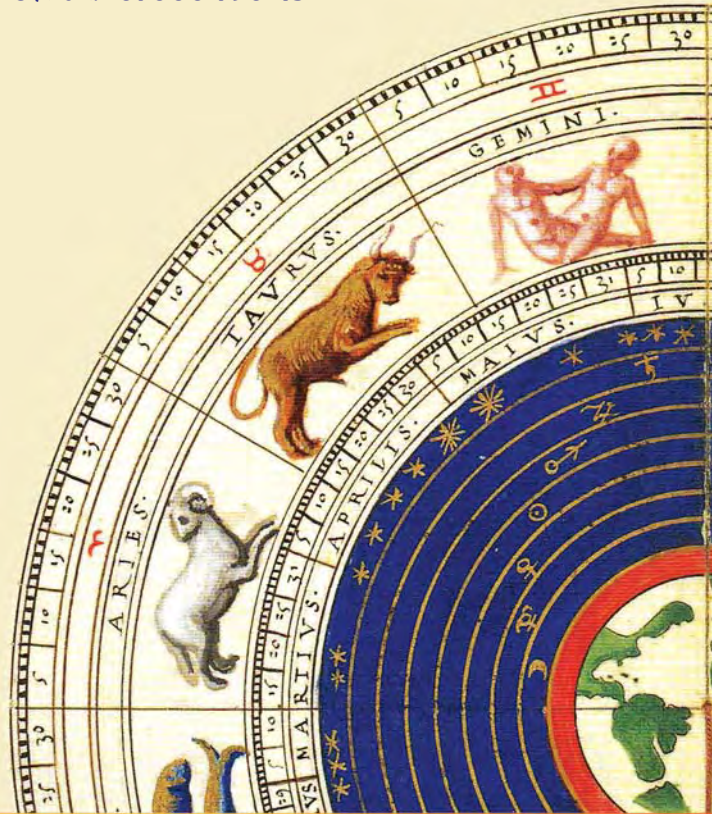
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