

School of Traditional Astrology



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STA Horary Masters Course

The most comprehensive and instructive course on horary astrology available.

Specifically designed for astrologers looking to develop an expert knowledge of horary technique and an easy ability to demonstrate its principles to others.

An emphasis on all-round development and a careful balance between practical and theoretic concepts ensures full exploitation of professional potential.

"Although I have been actively teaching horary since 1992, it has taken many years to put together a syllabus which I am satisfied will offer the best value and most effective route to development for students. The approach of the STA is unlike any other currently available. Horary tuition is available to certificate level via an intensive residential course. This concentrates upon explaining horary methods with the minimum of reliance upon what can often appear to the new student as daunting and complex traditional texts. A broad outline of horary's methods and full capabilities must first be available before students can hope to turn their attention to the finer details.

The masters level course is available for those who want to discover those details and who want more than simple answers – this course will lead you into the deeper aspects of the philosophy of horary, and will help you to discover the best ways to communicate that philosophy effectively to others."

- **Deborah Houlding**
Course Principal

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to research the works of other great horary practitioners and to consider the ways in which the apparently rigid horary 'rules' are creatively sculptured within the demands of the consultation process.

Traditional Astrology is a craft that responds to the skill of its practitioner

The syllabus of the STA Masters Level Horary Course is designed for students looking to expand their knowledge and understanding of horary to a level of excellence. Primarily it is aimed at those who wish to consider themselves experts in this field, confidently qualified to practice, teach, write or lecture on horary to other students.

Having acquired a sound overview of horary principles at certificate level, these are now studied within the context of traditional and primary sources. Great attention is paid to ensuring the maximum extraction of valuable information from each passage. Students are led to develop an advanced understanding of horary as a divinatory tool as well as the historical knowledge and philosophical expertise needed to debate its merits and points of art upon a scholarly basis.

The STA horary courses are centred upon the methods set out by William Lilly in his 17th century text *Christian Astrology*, widely recognised as the definitive manual for horary study. But students are also expected

We also review classic horary case studies from various periods of history, looking at how horary has fared as a specific branch of astrology before and after Lilly's era, and giving considerable attention to understanding the classical origin of many of the techniques he employed.

The copious course notes and instruction provided greatly facilitate the assimilation of the relevant information. However, the intention of the course is to expose and rectify any gaps of knowledge or areas of insecurity in practice, so it is necessarily challenging and requires a firm commitment from the student.

Since the purpose of the course is to prepare the student for a full exposure to professional horary practice, the later sessions examine ways to communicate a powerful horary message in the most positive and effective manner. Guidance is given towards the skills involved in marketing horary services and offering both professionally prepared written reports and interactive/one-to-one consultations. Qualifying students will be expected to demonstrate this and fulfill a number of tasks that constitute the working requirements of a professional horary astrologer.

Graduates will also be expected to demonstrate their ability to research selected fields of enquiry, draw appropriate references to support their arguments, have a detailed knowledge of horary and traditional astrological principles, and a good understanding of the historical, social and philosophical influences that have impressed themselves upon the horary art.



Entry Requirements & Method of Delivery:

Students must have acquired the STA Horary Practitioner's Certificate, or be able to demonstrate a similar level of training and experience, to be accepted onto the Masters Level Course. This course is taught by correspondence, and there is no time limit to its completion.

Completion Benefits

Students will receive the STA Diploma to verify their advanced level of training and demonstrated competence in a range of horary scenarios. Graduates will be entitled to advertise their mastery of such principles by using the initials STA DipH (School of Traditional Astrology Horary Diploma) in promoting their astrological services.