COURSE PROSPECTUS

This course offers a unique chance to learn how to use the Tarot for personal and professional development and empowerment. Learn how to use the Tarot and work to gain professional recognition as a Tarot Therapist.

**COURSE DETAILS**

Course material is based on my ‘Tarot Therapy’ books Volumes 1, 2 and 3. The Course takes place in Parkstone, Poole.

The Course takes place over one year, consisting of twelve days, each studying a different aspect and part of the Tarot. This will conclude with an examination of students’ abilities, if they wish to receive a Certificate in Tarot Therapy. This is not compulsory. Students completing the Course will be given a ‘Certificate of Attendance’.

The study of the Tarot is also a study of the self and students should be aware that development of the self is facilitated through the Course. Ongoing support and guidance is available to deal with any issues that may be raised. It is important students recognise the need for being open to their own therapeutic process initiated by the Tarot and the Course.

No prior knowledge or experience of the Tarot is required or assumed. It is necessary for students to own a pack of Tarot cards. Advice on the purchase of a suitable pack is available from the tutor if required. A number of decks are viewed on the first day.

The Course is suitable for those wishing to become professional Tarot Therapists with a view to beginning or developing their own Consultation practice. The Course is also suitable for those wishing to study the Tarot simply for pleasure, to further their existing esoteric knowledge or to study and develop themselves through this medium. It is not a Course for those wishing to learn ‘fortune-telling’.

A ‘Diploma in Tarot Therapy’ Course is available for students who wish to continue their studies to an advanced level.

**COURSE SYLLABUS**

Each day includes theory and practice with emphasis placed on student involvement. There will be discussion subjects, meditative exercises and interpretation and consultation practice on every day. Students are encouraged

to complete their own work between each day, consisting of consultation practice, written and development work.

The approach of Tarot Therapy is an experiential one. Each card is explored in a number of ways, by which its energy is accessed. The Energy and Responses to each card are examined in this respect. The energy of each card is freed in this way and it is this that engenders the transformational experience for the student. This is a vital aspect of the Course and a necessary experience before one is able to act as guide or therapist for another.

**DAYS 1, 2 and 3**

The Concept of Tarot Therapy, Varieties of Tarot, Definition of Tarot, Reading Without Spreads, Structure of the Tarot, The Spirit of the Tarot, Qualities of the Therapist, Introduction to the Major and Minor Arcana.

**DAY 4**

Minor Arcana: The Suit of Pentacles: The Element of Earth: The Physical Plane

**DAY 5**

The Seekers Quest 1: Major Arcana: The Realm of the Body: The Fool to The Chariot

**DAY 6**

Minor Arcana: The Suit of Cups: The Element of Water: The Emotional Plane

**DAY 7**

The Seekers Quest 2: Major Arcana: The Realm of the Mind: Strength to Temperance

**DAY 8**

Minor Arcana: The Suit of Swords: The Element of Air: The Mental Plane

**DAY 9**

The Seekers Quest 3: Major Arcana: The Realm of the Spirit: The Devil to The World

**DAY 10**

Minor Arcana: The Suit of Rods: The Element of Fire: The Spiritual Plane

**DAY 11 AND 12**

The Reading Process, Reviews: Definition of Tarot, Group Consultation, Qualities of the Tarot Therapist, Code of Conduct and Ethics, Evolution of the Tarot.

The above is subject to variation depending on the progress and needs of the students.

**COURSE DATES**

The course will begin in on Saturday 7th March 2020.

The other dates are: 04.04.20 / 02.05.20 / 13.06.20 / 04.07.20 / 01.08.20 / 05.09.20 / 03.10.20 / 07.11.20 / 05.12.20 / 09.01.21 / 06.02.21

Please note all dates are subject to change but every effort will be made to keep them as they are.

Each day lasts from 10 am to 5 pm, which includes a break for lunch and we have plenty of breaks along the way for drinks and rest.

**COURSE FEES, DEPOSIT AND PAYMENT**

Cost of the course is £45 for each day. The first payment of £45 is due on enrolment, to secure your place. Subsequent payments are then required, to begin on the first day of the course and monthly thereafter, until 12 payments in total have been made.

If you do not attend for any day the Course is held, payment is still due. You will be emailed the distance-learning module for that lesson and written feedback can be given on this.

Please note that students who wish to withdraw on or after Lesson 3 of the Course must still complete full payment for the Course. This is because numbers are kept to a strict limit and withdrawing after the initial lesson may have deprived another student of a place.

Details of where to pay are given on Enrolment

If you have any issues with regard to payment, please speak to me.

**ENROLMENT**

Numbers are strictly limited on the Course, so as to ensure personal attention to every student. Places will therefore be allocated on a ‘first-come, first-served’ basis. To be sure of a place, complete and return the Enrolment Form with your Deposit. I will then confirm your place.

**COURSE TESTIMONIES**

Below is a sample of what other students have written about the Course, which may be helpful for you in deciding if the Course is right for you at this time. The comments are taken from Evaluation Forms completed after the end of the Course.

*The Course was a key that unlocked hidden and dusty rooms, some holding treasures, others holding apparent demons. Once these had been examined and dusted off and a clear air been allowed to enter through the windows, a freedom was recognised and an ability to move on up the hallway of life to new rooms and new experiences. As someone who was previously a novice to Tarot I highly recommend this course and the abilities of Steve to those who wish to qualify as Tarot Therapists*.

I am a person who is very energy oriented and I was rather pleased to discover the way in which the energy of Tarot works and integrated perfectly with my healing work. The course has been useful for my own personal development as well as giving me another healing tool. As always not only the contents of such courses are valuable but also the people you meet.

Before I started the Certificate in Tarot Therapy Course I was familiar with the tarot. I had several packs and had taught myself with the aid of books and personal experiments to understand something of what the cards meant. The carefully planned modules of this course took me on a journey through the Tarot on a much deeper level. I learned how to experience the energy of the cards and how to use them in a therapeutic way. I was not the only person to benefit from this – the volunteers who were the subjects of the practice consultations gained knowledge and understanding of themselves and their lives through the sensitive and helpful approach I was being taught.

Steve Hounsome’s well thought out and clearly written book and the wonderful taped exercises that were provided with the course also helped me to make a deeper and more spiritual connection to the Tarot, which was exactly what I wanted.

I cannot praise Steve highly enough for the detailed feedback given to me on each lesson I submitted. It was clear he took the time and care to study my work and to help me every step of the way, encouraging me with praise and only criticising in the most constructive way.

I have changed and grown as a result of taking this course. It has inspired me in many ways, not least in that I now approach working with the Tarot in a more creative and sensitive way.

Passing the exam has not brought an end to my journey, more of a new beginning. I has given me the confidence to share what I have learned of the Tarot in a therapeutic way that really helps people to deal with the important issues in their lives.

This brilliant and effective course is a definite must for those who want to work with Tarot.

*Thanks so much to* [*Steve Hounsome*](https://www.facebook.com/steve.hounsome.5?__tn__=%2CdK-R-R&eid=ARAhNU4sZIMkF8kaZM8ZJUJEJp87E6D-q8QPFzBaJitMr4DKIsMlrkpe73vWoCWwnCUUJSssQ25cGQeW&fref=mentions) *❤️ The year long tarot therapy course has finished 😪 and what a year it was. He doesn’t give you the answers, he doesn’t read books at you and he doesn’t tell you how to do it. He teaches you about the cards, how to read the energy of the cards yourself and how to connect with them, then guides you along every step of the way. He empowers you and helps you to feel confident with the cards with what, and how he teaches you. His knowledge of the tarot is immense and he says he is still always learning, there’s no ego. He takes you out of your comfort zone and pushes you in such a subtle way, you don’t notice. I wouldn’t have done a tarot course with anyone else. I have learnt so much, both tarot wise and about myself doing this. If you want a tarot course with someone who really, REALLY knows their stuff and is genuine, Steve is your man ❤️ I 100% recommended him. Thanks Steve xxx*

*NA, Poole*

**ABOUT THE TUTOR**

Steve has been involved in this field for over thirty-five years and has completed a wide variety of studies and activities in this time.

Steve holds qualifications in the following subjects –

***\* Progressive Healing***

***\* Psychic Studies***

***\* Esoteric Soul Healing***

***\* Tarot***

***\* Bach Flower Remedies***

***\* Basic Counselling Skills***

The training Steve has completed is as follows –

***\* One year Progressive Healing, Sanctuary of Progress***

***\* One year Psychic Studies, Sanctuary of Progress***

***\* Meditation - 2 years, private tutor***

***\* Natural Magic, 1 year, Marian Green***

***\* Ritual Magic, 1 year, The London Group***

***\* Esoteric Soul Healing, 2 years, Isle of Avalon Foundation***

***\* Bach Flower Remedies - Foundation Level Certificate***

***\* Order of Bards, Ovates and Druids - 12 years, now initiated Druid member***

Steve has also attended lectures and workshops too numerous to mention over the years and continues to add to his knowledge and experience by attending events as they occur and maintaining his own regular sacred practices in Meditation and Yoga.

Steve has had articles published in many magazines, on a variety of the subjects he works in. These include Positive Health and Pagan Dawn, as well as many of the smaller titles produced in the Pagan and holistic communities.

Steve has appeared on TV, twice alongside Derek Acorah on Granada TV's show 'Psychic Livetime' and acted as examiner on the Living TV series 'Jane Goldman

Investigates', overseeing the work of Michelle Knight who taught the Tarot to Jane.

Steve acted as advisor and consultant for the New World 'Music of the Tarot' CD, for which he also wrote the accompanying booklet.

Steve has had nine books published –

***\* Taming the Wolf: Full Moon Meditation***

***\* Practical Meditation***

***\* Practical Spirituality***

***\* Tarot Therapy Vol. 1: Tarot for the New Millenium***

***\* Tarot Therapy Vol 2: Major Arcana, The Seekers Quest***

***\* Tarot Therapy Vol. 3: Minor Arcana, The Map of the Quest***

***\* How To Be A Telephone Psychic***

***\* The Tarot Therapy Deck***

***\* The Gamble-Hounsome Tarot – The Tarot of Gnosis***

Steve has also produced his own unique card sets -

***\* The Gamble Hounsome Tarot – The Tarot of Gnosis***

***\* Tarot Therapy Cards***

***\* Chakra Affirmation Cards***

***\* Tarot Therapy Affirmation Cards***

Steve has also produced a range of 15 highly-acclaimed Meditation and Development CD's, which you can see full details of in the Shop on this website.

Steve has taught in person across the South of England and by distance learning internationally. Apart from his own private events, Steve has taught at Adult Education Centres in Hampshire and was tutor of the 2-year Tarot course at the prestigious 'Isle of Avalon Foundation' in Glastonbury, Somerset. Steve has

tested and trained psychic readers for some of the leading telephone psychic companies in the UK, working across the world.

Steve was a Founder Member and Secretary of the Professional Tarot Society and was also Secretary of the British Psychic Registration Board, although both these organisations are no longer in existence. Steve is now a member of the following organisations –

***\* Order of Bards, Ovates and Druids (Steve acts as mentor for those following their training programme)***

***\* Spiritual Workers Association***

***\* Tarot Association of the British Isles***

***\* British Astrologers and Psychics Society***

***\* Tarot Professionals***

Though a member of these Groups, Steve's approach to spirituality is an eclectic one, as he feels that every path has something to offer. He reads widely on spiritual subjects and incorporates what he learns into his teaching, in its various forms. Steve feels that a sense of the sacred for each individual is vital to the maintenance of health and well-being and for the fulfilment of our potential, development and life purpose. More personally, Steve has a deep love of many forms of music, runs long-distance and cycles. He enjoys visiting sacred and natural sites, attends his local gym regularly as well as watching football, remaining loyal to his origins by supporting his home-town team, Brighton & Hove Albion. He is the father of two children, Dakota and Amber.

If you have any further questions you would like to ask, please do not hesitate to contact me.

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