

Description of Response-Based Practice International Certificate Program

Response-Based Practice (RBP) is an approach to human service work . In this course, you will receive instruction on...

- Analysing social interaction in context
- Focusing on the importance of responses, such as resistance to violence
- Supporting victims through uplifting and restoring their dignity
- Using accurate language to describe events and interaction
- Orchestrating positive social responses to people who have been harmed
- Safety planning
- Working with perpetrators of violence
- · Articulating critiques of victim-blaming psychology
- Applying response-based practice across contexts
- Interviewing across practice settings
- Formulating therapeutic questions
- · Working with practice and research-based evidence for the effectiveness of RBP
- Understanding the role of the social network and institutional responses
- Analysing commonly used practice frameworks

Instructor Bios

Allan Wade, PhD, is a therapist in private practice. He was Director of a university-based counselling program for many years, and is involved in many anti-violence initiatives domestically and internationally.

Linda Coates, PhD, is a co-founder of response-based practice and a professor at Okanagan College in Salmon Arm, British Columbia.

Catherine Richardson, PhD, is a co-founder of the Centre for Response-Based Practice. Cathy is the Director of First Peoples Studies at Concordia University in Montreal. She won a 2019 Indigenous Practice Award granted by the Canadian Counselling & Psychological Association.

Shelly Dean (Bonnah), PhD, is a Registered Clinical Counsellor and the Director of the Centre for Response-Based Practice of the Interior in Kamloops, British Columbia.

2021 Program Delivery

The RBP International Certificate Program begins **May 2021** and spans approximately nine months, via zoom. In this program, participants will engage in eight three-hour classes and receive one-on-one supervision each month from program instructors. They will be asked to engage with readings, prepare assignments, share learnings within the class. In addition to learning about response-based practice and its possibilities for application, participants will receive a certificate at the end of the program.