

# **Criteria and procedure for Teaching Fellow**

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### **A. Entering training**

1. In order to begin training to becoming a TF, the candidate must be presented to the ISBP Credentials Committee (CC) by two TFs. The applicant must be a Fellow and have led BP groups regularly, both for at least three years.
2. The CC will contact the national CC president and inquire if they are in agreement with the candidature. If the national CC is in agreement, and the CC deems the candidate to be personally and professionally qualified to begin training to become a TF, the candidate acquires the status of TF in Training.

### **B. Criteria**

3. The applicant must have a masters degree or higher in human sciences.
4. The applicant must be sponsored by two TF's who are familiar with the applicant's work. One sponsor (primary sponsor) will be the supervisor who has had a working relationship with the applicant for at least two years and has had a chance to observe the work over time. Supervision includes addressing all significant issues: primacy of client care, ethical behavior, collegiality, assessment, personal standards, etc. The second sponsor should also have known the applicant for a similar amount of time and needs to have experienced the candidate in his or her capacity as trainer either through supervision and/or through attendance while the candidate works with his/her trainees.
5. The applicant must be a Fellow and have led BP groups on an ongoing basis, both for at least five years.
6. The applicant must have been involved in teaching and supervision of trainees in collaboration with a TF. The applicant must demonstrate that he or she is able to teach and guide prospective new Fellows in all aspects of the training. In this regard, the candidate for TF must have successfully guided at least one trainee through the completion of being certified as Fellow in his or her national chapter.
7. The applicant must have demonstrated an ability to teach BP on an experiential and cognitive levels to trainees. The applicant must have demonstrated an ability to serve as a supervisor for trainees.

8. The applicant must have made a written contribution concerning BP, including a publication in the newsletter or in a recognized professional journal or website, and if possible a presentation at national or international conferences.
9. In order to get a general impression of the professional and personal qualification of the applicant, each applicant must attend an interview with at least three members of the Credentials Committee. If too few members of the CC are available, other TFs can be assigned ad hoc to do the interview. The three TF's must agree on the qualifications of the applicant.

### **C. Procedure for certification**

1. The two sponsors (TF) contact the ISBP credential committee to present the applicant. Certification of TFs is the sole jurisdiction of the ISBP.
2. The sponsors present the applicant to the ISBP Credentials Committee with a written recommendation in which all requirements are attested and described. This presentation of the candidate must be done in a timely fashion, at least 8 weeks before the interview is to take place.
3. If the applicant is deemed qualified, the committee accepts the applicant as candidate for certification as T.F.
4. The interview is set up by the Credentials Committee.
5. Notice of the applicants name, curriculum and sponsors and the date of the interview must be made known in a timely fashion (at least 4 weeks before a planned interview) through email or in the Newsletter. Every society member can give his remarks to the ISBP board before the date of the interview.
6. As a rule the international board accepts the decision from the credential committee. However the board always has the final decision.
7. The new TF pays the membership fee, is enlisted and receives the certificate from the International board.