

| Canadian Programs | Companion Animal Sciences Institute | Good Dog Academy | Dogma Training & Pet Services Inc. | Karen Pryor Academy (can attend & pay tuition in Canada) | Ottawa Canine School | Service Dog Training Institute |
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| Well known trainers involved in program development. | James O'Heare | Geri Patz, Jamie Knowles, Heather Grandy | Megan Stanley | Karen Pryor, Caroline McDonald | Chantel Mills | Donna Hill |
| Program publishes publicly available information regarding methodology taught to individuals enrolled in the program. | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Program addresses the following topics: Animal Learning, Human Learning, Canine Behavior, Health & Nutrition, Business, Laws & Regulations. | Yes | Yes | Yes | No | Yes | All except business. |
| Complete program is available to students via online and/or remote testing and grading. | Yes | Yes | No | No | Yes | Online, no testing or grading but team can take BC Service Dog Test. |
| Program includes in-person components. | No | No | Yes | Yes | Yes | If student is local. |
| Program material teaches the fundamentals of learning theory, including all of the following: Classical Conditioning, Operant Conditioning, Non-Associative Learning, and Canine Cognition. | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes, plus responding to dog communication |
| Continuing Education Units (CEUs) are required to maintain credential status. | No | No | No | Yes | No | No |
| While a variety of training methods may be discussed or described, the types of dog training methods espoused and used are restricted based on ethics, ideology, and/or philosophies of the program. | Yes | Yes | Yes | No | Yes | Yes |
| Mentorship with established canine professionals is offered as an optional part of the program. | Yes | Special Request | Yes | No | Yes | 1:1 on request |
| Mentorship with established canine professionals is a required part of the program. | No | No | Yes | Yes | No | No |
| Basic dog trainer training program offered (i.e., a program that teaches fundamental group and private training skills). | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes online and in person (Nanaimo) |
| Specialty dog training program(s) are available in a standalone form or within the curriculum (e.g., a program that teaches how to instruct dog sports). | No | Yes (Canine First Aid) | No | Yes | Yes | Yes (service dog) |
| Program provides more than one level of dog trainer training (e.g., beginner, intermediate, advanced, master). | No | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Duration of the program is eight weeks or shorter. | No | No | No | No | No | Can be, student choice |
| Duration of the program is nine to 25 weeks. | No | No | No | No | Yes | Can be |
| Duration of the program is 25 weeks or longer. | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | No | Can be |
| Length of the program is flexible (i.e., students who spend more time per week on the program finish it faster). | Yes | No | Yes | No | Yes | No |
| Program requires 100 hours of dog training experience (in the last year) before taking final exams and/or coursework. | No | No | Yes | No | Yes | No |
| Entity offering the program requires students and instructors to adhere to a published ethical standard. | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | No |
| Program requires graduates to adhere to a published ethical standard and/or maintains a compliance mechanism. | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | No |
| Cost (ball park figures, as these are not updated regularly) | \$2,600 | \$1,395 | \$3,360 | \$6,625 | \$2,891 | Depends on student choices |

| American and International Programs | Animal Behavior College | Animal Behavior Institute | Bergin University of Canine Studies | Canine Behavior Associates | Victoria Stilwell Academy for Dog Training & Behavior | Pro-Train Innovative Dog Training |
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| Well known trainers involved in program development. | | | | | Victoria Stilwell | |
| Program publishes publicly available information regarding methodology taught to individuals enrolled in the program. | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | No |
| Program addresses the following topics: Animal Learning, Human Learning, Canine Behavior, Health & Nutrition, Business, Laws & Regulations. | Yes | Yes | Yes | No | Yes | Yes |
| Complete program is available to students via online and/or remote testing and grading. | Yes | Yes | No | Yes | No | No |
| Program includes in-person components. | Yes | No | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Program material teaches the fundamentals of learning theory, including all of the following: Classical Conditioning, Operant Conditioning, Non-Associative Learning, and Canine Cognition. | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Continuing Education Units (CEUs) are required to maintain credential status. | Yes | Yes | No | Yes | No | No |
| While a variety of training methods may be discussed or described, the types of dog training methods espoused and used are restricted based on ethics, ideology, and/or philosophies of the program. | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | No |
| Mentorship with established canine professionals is offered as an optional part of the program. | No | No | Yes | Yes | No | Yes |
| Mentorship with established canine professionals is a required part of the program. | Yes | No | No | No | Yes | No |
| Basic dog trainer training program offered (i.e., a program that teaches fundamental group and private training skills). | Yes | Yes | Yes | No | Yes | Yes |
| Specialty dog training program(s) are available in a standalone form or within the curriculum (e.g., a program that teaches how to instruct dog sports). | Yes | No | Yes | No | Yes | Yes |
| Program provides more than one level of dog trainer training (e.g., beginner, intermediate, advanced, master). | No | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Duration of the program is eight weeks or shorter. | No | No | No | No | No | No |
| Duration of the program is nine to 25 weeks. | No | No | Yes | Yes | No | Yes |
| Duration of the program is 25 weeks or longer. | Yes | Yes | Yes | No | Yes | Yes |
| Length of the program is flexible (i.e., students who spend more time per week on the program finish it faster). | Yes | No | No | Yes | No | Yes |
| Program requires 100 hours of dog training experience (in the last year) before taking final exams and/or coursework. | No | No | No | No | No | Yes |
| Entity offering the program requires students and instructors to adhere to a published ethical standard. | Yes | Yes | Yes | No | Yes | No |
| Program requires graduates to adhere to a published ethical standard and/or maintains a compliance mechanism. | Yes | No | No | Yes | Yes | No |

| American and International Programs | Canines For Service Program | CATCH Canine Trainers Academy | Do More With Your Dog! | dogbiz | dogtec | Ethology Institute |
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| Well known trainers involved in program development. | | | Kyra Sundance | | | |
| Program publishes publicly available information regarding methodology taught to individuals enrolled in the program. | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Program addresses the following topics: Animal Learning, Human Learning, Canine Behavior, Health & Nutrition, Business, Laws & Regulations. | Yes | Yes | No | Yes | Yes | No |
| Complete program is available to students via online and/or remote testing and grading. | No | Yes | Yes | No | No | Yes |
| Program includes in-person components. | Yes | Yes | No | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Program material teaches the fundamentals of learning theory, including all of the following: Classical Conditioning, Operant Conditioning, Non-Associative Learning, and Canine Cognition. | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Continuing Education Units (CEUs) are required to maintain credential status. | No | No | Yes | No | No | No |
| While a variety of training methods may be discussed or described, the types of dog training methods espoused and used are restricted based on ethics, ideology, and/or philosophies of the program. | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Mentorship with established canine professionals is offered as an optional part of the program. | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Mentorship with established canine professionals is a required part of the program. | Yes | Yes | No | No | No | No |
| Basic dog trainer training program offered (i.e., a program that teaches fundamental group and private training skills). | No | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Specialty dog training program(s) are available in a standalone form or within the curriculum (e.g., a program that teaches how to instruct dog sports). | Yes | Yes | Yes | No | No | No |
| Program provides more than one level of dog trainer training (e.g., beginner, intermediate, advanced, master). | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Duration of the program is eight weeks or shorter. | No | No | Yes | Yes | Yes | No |
| Duration of the program is nine to 25 weeks. | No | No | No | No | No | Yes |
| Duration of the program is 25 weeks or longer. | Yes | Yes | No | No | No | Yes |
| Length of the program is flexible (i.e., students who spend more time per week on the program finish it faster). | No | Yes | Yes | No | No | Yes |
| Program requires 100 hours of dog training experience (in the last year) before taking final exams and/or coursework. | Yes | No | No | No | No | No |
| Entity offering the program requires students and instructors to adhere to a published ethical standard. | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Program requires graduates to adhere to a published ethical standard and/or maintains a compliance mechanism. | No | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |

| American and International Programs | E-Training For Dogs | Fear Free, LLC | FitPAWS | Good Neighbour Dog Training | IAABC | Innovative Sport Dog Community |
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| Well known trainers involved in program development. | | Mikkel Becker | | | | |
| Program publishes publicly available information regarding methodology taught to individuals enrolled in the program. | Yes | Yes | No | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Program addresses the following topics: Animal Learning, Human Learning, Canine Behavior, Health & Nutrition, Business, Laws & Regulations. | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Complete program is available to students via online and/or remote testing and grading. | Yes | Yes | No | No | Yes | No |
| Program includes in-person components. | No | Yes | Yes | Yes | No | Yes |
| Program material teaches the fundamentals of learning theory, including all of the following: Classical Conditioning, Operant Conditioning, Non-Associative Learning, and Canine Cognition. | Yes | No | No | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Continuing Education Units (CEUs) are required to maintain credential status. | No | Yes | No | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| While a variety of training methods may be discussed or described, the types of dog training methods espoused and used are restricted based on ethics, ideology, and/or philosophies of the program. | Yes | Yes | No | No | Yes | Yes |
| Mentorship with established canine professionals is offered as an optional part of the program. | Yes | No | Yes | Yes | No | Yes |
| Mentorship with established canine professionals is a required part of the program. | Yes | No | No | No | Yes | Yes |
| Basic dog trainer training program offered (i.e., a program that teaches fundamental group and private training skills). | Yes | No | No | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Specialty dog training program(s) are available in a standalone form or within the curriculum (e.g., a program that teaches how to instruct dog sports). | Yes | No | No | Yes | No | Yes |
| Program provides more than one level of dog trainer training (e.g., beginner, intermediate, advanced, master). | Yes | No | No | Yes | No | Yes |
| Duration of the program is eight weeks or shorter. | No | No | No | No | No | No |
| Duration of the program is nine to 25 weeks. | No | No | Yes | No | Yes | Yes |
| Duration of the program is 25 weeks or longer. | No | No | No | Yes | No | Yes |
| Length of the program is flexible (i.e., students who spend more time per week on the program finish it faster). | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | No | No |
| Program requires 100 hours of dog training experience (in the last year) before taking final exams and/or coursework. | No | No | No | No | No | Yes |
| Entity offering the program requires students and instructors to adhere to a published ethical standard. | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Program requires graduates to adhere to a published ethical standard and/or maintains a compliance mechanism. | No | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |

| American and International Programs | The Academy for Dog Trainers | Raising Canine, LLC | Rocky Mountain Regional Dog Trainer Academy | Karen Pryor Academy | Malena DeMartini Inc | National Association of Canine Scent Work |
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| Well known trainers involved in program development. | Jean Donaldson | Susan Smith | | Karen Pryor, Ken Ramirez | Malena DeMartini | |
| Program publishes publicly available information regarding methodology taught to individuals enrolled in the program. | Yes | Yes | No | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Program addresses the following topics: Animal Learning, Human Learning, Canine Behavior, Health & Nutrition, Business, Laws & Regulations. | No | No | Yes | No | Yes | No |
| Complete program is available to students via online and/or remote testing and grading. | Yes | Yes | No | No | Yes | No |
| Program includes in-person components. | Yes | No | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Program material teaches the fundamentals of learning theory, including all of the following: Classical Conditioning, Operant Conditioning, Non-Associative Learning, and Canine Cognition. | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | No | No |
| Continuing Education Units (CEUs) are required to maintain credential status. | No | No | No | Yes | No | Yes |
| While a variety of training methods may be discussed or described, the types of dog training methods espoused and used are restricted based on ethics, ideology, and/or philosophies of the program. | Yes | Yes | Yes | No | Yes | Yes |
| Mentorship with established canine professionals is offered as an optional part of the program. | No | No | Yes | No | Yes | Yes |
| Mentorship with established canine professionals is a required part of the program. | No | No | Yes | Yes | No | No |
| Basic dog trainer training program offered (i.e., a program that teaches fundamental group and private training skills). | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | No | No |
| Specialty dog training program(s) are available in a standalone form or within the curriculum (e.g., a program that teaches how to instruct dog sports). | No | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Program provides more than one level of dog trainer training (e.g., beginner, intermediate, advanced, master). | No | Yes | Yes | Yes | No | Yes |
| Duration of the program is eight weeks or shorter. | No | No | No | No | No | No |
| Duration of the program is nine to 25 weeks. | No | No | Yes | No | Yes | No |
| Duration of the program is 25 weeks or longer. | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | No | Yes |
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| Program requires 100 hours of dog training experience (in the last year) before taking final exams and/or coursework. | No | No | Yes | No | No | Yes |
| Entity offering the program requires students and instructors to adhere to a published ethical standard. | Yes | No | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Program requires graduates to adhere to a published ethical standard and/or maintains a compliance mechanism. | Yes | No | No | Yes | Yes | Yes |

| American and International Programs | Official BAT School for Dogs | Peaceable Paws LLC | | | | |
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| Well known trainers involved in program development. | Grisha Stewart | Pat Miller | | | | |
| Program publishes publicly available information regarding methodology taught to individuals enrolled in the program. | Yes | Yes | | | | |
| Program addresses the following topics: Animal Learning, Human Learning, Canine Behavior, Health & Nutrition, Business, Laws & Regulations. | Yes | Yes | | | | |
| Complete program is available to students via online and/or remote testing and grading. | No | No | | | | |
| Program includes in-person components. | Yes | Yes | | | | |
| Program material teaches the fundamentals of learning theory, including all of the following: Classical Conditioning, Operant Conditioning, Non-Associative Learning, and Canine Cognition. | Yes | Yes | | | | |
| Continuing Education Units (CEUs) are required to maintain credential status. | No | Yes | | | | |
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| Program provides more than one level of dog trainer training (e.g., beginner, intermediate, advanced, master). | Yes | Yes | | | | |
| Duration of the program is eight weeks or shorter. | Yes | Yes | | | | |
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| Duration of the program is 25 weeks or longer. | Yes | No | | | | |
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