

**Mediator Mentorship Program (MMP) 2024 Cycle One Application**

***Application Checklist***

[ ]  Provide contact information

[ ]  Review and confirm availability for all dates for the program

[ ]  Answer essay questions in approximately 200 words or less per question

[ ]  Answer questions related to Scholarship Application (if applicable)

[ ]  Sign CCR Commitment Contract

[ ]  Submit this completed application to: mmp@ccrchicago.org

\*Please note, we do not accept resumes as part of the application process. If you do submit one, it will not be considered.

***Contact Information***

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| Name: | Click or tap here to enter text. |
| Address:  | Click or tap here to enter text. |
|   | Click or tap here to enter text. |
| Email:  | Click or tap here to enter text. |
| Cell:  | Click or tap here to enter text. |

***Confirm Dates***

Please check the boxes to confirm each statement. Where applicable, please enter the extra information.

**Information Session**

 [ ]  I have attended the MMP Information Session (3/12 or 3/13)

 *Date Attended:* Click or tap here to enter text.

**Previous Training** (check all that apply)

 [ ]  I have participated in an approved 40-hour mediation skills training **within the last 24 months**.

 *Date(s) and Training Organization(s):* Click or tap here to enter text.

 [ ]  I have participated in an approved 40-hour mediation skills training, **but over** **24 months ago**.

 *Date(s) and Training Organization(s):* Click or tap here to enter text.

**MMP Training Availability**

 [ ]  I am available to attend required trainings on the following dates:

* + Orientation & Foundations of the CCR method:
		- Wednesday, April 24, 2024 from 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m**. in person at CCR’s office in the Loop** (Orientation)
		- Thursday, April 25, 2024 from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. via Zoom (Foundations)
	+ Caucus & Agreement Writing
		- Tuesday, May 21, 2024 from 1:00 – 5:00 p.m. via Zoom
	+ Adapted Model Training
		- Monday, June 17, 2024 from 1:00 – 5:00 p.m. via Zoom
	+ Using Tech & Case Type Review
		- Thursday, July 25, 2024 from 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. **in person at CCR’s Office in the Loop**

 [ ]  My schedule is flexible enough to meet weekly (on Zoom or in person) with my mentor between April and July for training sessions that may last between 3-6 hours.

***Experience & Interest***
Provide information about your background and why you are applying to the program. (NOTE: We use a "blind" application process in the application stage, so please do not include names of schools, employers, organizations, etc. that could potentially identify you to our selection committee.)

What inspired your **interest** in mediation?

Click or tap here to enter text.

Why would you like to become a **volunteer for CCR**?

Click or tap here to enter text.

Please describe the **unique factors** you feel you would bring to CCR and its clients if certified as a mediator.

Click or tap here to enter text.

Describe your **educational background**. (Please DO NOT list names of schools attended. Only provide the general subject matter focus of your studies and any degrees earned.)

Click or tap here to enter text.

CCR’s clients represent extremely diverse backgrounds including parents, attorneys, incarcerated youth, small business owners, and unhoused people to name a few. Please describe how your own **personal or professional experiences** have prepared you to connect to the many cultures and communities we serve in Chicago.

Click or tap here to enter text.

Describe any prior **volunteer experience** you’ve had. (Please DO NOT list names of organizations. Only provide a description of the type of service, job titles, and length of engagement.)

Click or tap here to enter text.

Briefly provide an **example of a conflict** you have faced either personally, or as an advisor to someone else. (For example: What approaches did you use? How did you determine what was important? How did you handle the emotions involved?)

Click or tap here to enter text.

Provide a brief description of a recent time you **learned something new**. (For example: you made a surprising discovery, realized something that changed your approach to a task, or altered your thinking.)

Click or tap here to enter text.

CCR currently provides the majority of mediation services by using Zoom and other technology platforms. Please rate your comfort level with learning or adapting to **new technology** (scale of 1-5 where 1 is “not very comfortable” and 5 is “very comfortable.”)

Click or tap here to enter text.

Are you interested in contributing to the mission of CCR in ways that **DON'T involve mediation**? (If yes, please describe your interest / expertise).

Click or tap here to enter text.

Explain your **availability to mediate**. Describe your current schedule: school, employment, and other commitments. Explain what adjustments, if any, you would make in order to mediate cases.

Click or tap here to enter text.

If you are currently able to fluently mediate in a **language other than English**, please describe proficiency, ability and experience using the other language(s).

Click or tap here to enter text.

 ***Fees, Scholarships, & Confirmation***

***Fees for the MMP are due by March 1, 2024.*** *For your convenience, you can also arrange to make installment payments by contacting Israel Putnam, Volunteer Director, at iputnam@ccrchicago.org. Payment can be made by credit card or personal check. Please make checks payable to* Center for Conflict Resolution *and mail* *to 11 E. Adams Street, Ste. 500, Chicago, IL 60603. Failure* *to make payment or arrangements for installment payments by this deadline might affect your ability to participate.*

If you are interested in receiving partial or full scholarship for this training program, please answer the following questions:

Are you applying to receive a partial or full scholarship for this training program?

Click or tap here to enter text.

If yes, please briefly describe your financial need and explain how much you think you can contribute to the cost of the program (if any).

Click or tap here to enter text.



**CCR COMMITMENT CONTRACT**

Thank you for your interest in the MMP at the Center for Conflict Resolution (CCR). We are known for having quality volunteer mediators and take pride in offering high quality and consistent mediation services to our clients. In order to maintain our high level of service, we ask volunteers to commit to the following (*please read and initial the individual lines and sign at the bottom*):

[ ]  I agree that if certified to serve as a Volunteer Mediator with CCR at the end of the Mediator Mentorship Program, I will accept the position of Volunteer Mediator with CCR.

[ ]  I agree that if I am approved to serve as a Volunteer Mediator with CCR at the end of the Mediator Mentorship Program, I will schedule to mediate for CCR at least twice a month for a period of eighteen (18) months. I agree that if I do not meet this commitment and I was granted a scholarship for participation in either the 40-hour Mediation Skills Training or Mediator Mentorship Program, I will be required to compensate CCR for the difference between my fee for training and the total fee, including both the 40-hour skills training and mentorship fees.

[ ]  I agree that if approved to serve as a Volunteer Mediator with CCR at the end of the Mediator Mentorship Program, I will participate in CCR’s Peer Review process within my first 12-month period of certification.

[ ]  I agree that if approved to serve as a Volunteer Mediator with CCR, I will attend two CCR Continuing Education Programs within my first 18-month period of certification.

Signature: Click or tap here to enter text. Date: Click or tap here to enter text.

(To sign the form, type your full name and the date)