

ECOFS Professional Practitioners Training Course

Fully Accredited by the Feng Shui Society www.fengshui-college.org

Starts 18 June 2020 - 5 October 2021 in Central London

Class dates, teaching venue and fees are set out at the end of this course outline.

This course is spread over fifteen months and is structured to provide 30 days (210 hours) of classroom attendance in 5 modules of 6 days each, plus post-graduate personal mentoring support is available to give you a full two years of learning overall.

The course offers a combination of in-depth theory, practical applications, on-site case studies and mentoring throughout, providing exceptionally high quality training. Students will learn all the required skills to become competent Feng Shui practitioners.

The European College of Feng Shui (ECOFS) and its teachers are fully accredited by the Feng Shui Society (UK&Europe)
Principal Teacher: Howard Choy B.Arch. FSSA Feng Shui Architect assisted by: Sylvia Bennett FSSA Accredited Feng Shui Consultant

Course Content Outline for Each Module

MODULE 1- 6 Days FENG SHUI PHILOSOPHY, EVOLUTION & XING SHI PAI THEORY

This initial module covers the various concepts and language that in combination form the basis of Feng Shui. We will examine the worldview in traditional Chinese culture and trace the historical origins, development and evolution of Feng Shui to the modern day. You will gain the essential core understanding of Feng Shui theories, applications and 'tools'. The Chinese Luopan Compass is also introduced.

We will look at the major classical schools to recognise how their applications differ from each other and how they also link together. We will examine the established history and theory of the Xing Shi Pai or 'Form and Configuration' school of Feng Shui in the classic texts. You will learn how to 'Chase the Dragon' (trace the path of Qi to determine the best location and orientation of a site), look for the 'Sands' and locate the ideal Feng Shui spot or 'Xue' in the natural landscape, the urban environment and inside buildings. You will also gain a core understanding of Qi flow in the environment and how it can be analysed inside different areas of a property Subjects include:

Definitions of Feng Shui

Evidence Based Historical Development of Feng Shui

The Deep and Shallow Structure of Feng Shui

Standards and References used in Feng Shui

The Feng Shui Paradigm

The Major Feng Shui Schools - Xing Shi Pai & Li Qi Pai

Causative and Correlative Thinking

Destiny and Free Will

Symbolism and Mythology

San Cai - The Three Relationships

Yin & Yang Theory

Qi Characteristics and Definition

Reading the Qi of a Building

Five 'Elements' / Phases (Wuxing)

The Eight Trigrams - Attributes and Characteristics

Earlier Heaven (Xian-Tian) Bagua

Later Heaven (Hou-Tian) Bagua

Luoshu and Hetu Configurations

The Chinese Calendar, 24 Solar Terms, Chinese Numerology

60 Jiazi Years, 10 Heavenly Stems, 12 Earthly Branches

Man and Nature

Tangible, Intangible and Virtual Form

The Five Characters of Xing Shi Pai

The Ideal Feng Shui Model

The Four Mythical 'Celestial Animals' (Xiling)

Sheng Qi and Sha Qi in Form Situations

Qi Flow and Containment Case Studies

On-Site Case Study of a Property

MODULE 2 - 6 days XING SHI PAI & BAZHAI PAI: PRACTICAL APPLICATIONS

This module teaches the practical application of the Xing Shi Pai (Form and Configuration School) of Feng Shui. It also covers the Bazhai Pai (Eight Houses School) Feng Shui system. The application of this theory is used to chart auspicious and inauspicious sectors of a building according to its compass directions and to correlate and balance the pattern of an individual's 'luck' with that of a building. The methods of this Liqi School have been passed down since the Tang Dynasty (618 – 907 AD).

We will also examine the Qi patterns of individuals and buildings in real examples. At the end of the module you will have gained an understanding of how the Qi pattern of a building can be improved to support and empower the occupants, including the use of specific solutions that are applicable to resolve various circumstances. Subjects include:

Visual Modelling

The Qi Mouth and the Water Mouth

Establishing the Centre of a Regular and Irregular Shaped Floor Plan

Differentiating Between Direction and Location

The Concept of Directionality – Sitting and Facing

Taking a Compass Reading

The Liji Ruler

The Chinese Luopan and its Origin

Plan Reading for Residential and Commercial Sites

Where to Build a Property on an Empty Plot

Feng Shui Observation and Aesthetics

Feng Shui in Architecture and Design

Room-by- Room Form Analysis

Rushi (Into the World) Shushi (Out of the World) and Jiehua (Transformations)

Jie Hua Remedies and Adjustments for Internal and External Problems

The Different Bazhai Schools, Background and Methodologies:

"Bazhai Mingjing" - Bright Mirror of Eight Houses

"Yang Zhai San Yao" Bazhai – The Three Requirements of Yang Dwellings

Feixing Bazhai - an Alternative Method

East Four and West Four Groups

Calculating the Zhai Gua of a Building and the Ming Gua of a Person

Meanings of the Eight Bazhai 'Wandering Stars' (You Xing)

Song of the Yearly Cycle (Da Yu Nain Ge) and its Principles

The Six Skills of Bazhai

Bazhai Aanlysis and Solutions

Feng Shui Audit Checklist for the "Xing Shi" and "Bazha Pai" Methods

Usage of the Sanyuan Bazhai Luopan Rings

Insight into the Feng Shui Classics and Guo Pu's "Book of Burial"

Practical Form and Bazhai Applications – Class Case Studies in Selected Location

MODULE 3 - 6 Days FEI XING PAI (FLYING STAR SCHOOL)

This module teaches the Xuan Kong Fei Xing Pai (Mysterious Void Flying Stars School) of Liqi Feng Shui. The system enables us to chart the various cycles of a building's 'usefulness' over time in relation to compass directions, space and time, in order to select appropriate locations, remedies and enhancements.

Methods of this school are credited to have been originally passed down by Guo Pu in the Jin Dynasty ($265 - 420 \, \text{AD}$). We may also study an advanced level of Feixing and Master Luo Shi-Pang's method of looking at the influence of the external Qi on the internal Qi Field of a house.

<u>Subjects include:</u>

History and development of Xuan Kong Fei Xing (Flying Stars) Feng Shui

Different Xuan Kong Schools

The Purple-White Nine Stars and the Luoshu Bagua Diagram

The Luoshu 'Magic Square' and Flying Stars Path

The Three Cycles and Nine Periods (San Yuan Jiu Yun)

Wuxing and the Nine Stars

The 24 Mountains

Facing and Sitting Palaces

Water Stars and Mountain Stars

How to Construct and Use a Flying Star Chart

Timely and Untimely Stars

The Four Patterns and Ten Arrangements including:

Prosperous Sitting and Prosperous Facing

A line of Fiery Pits

Double Stars Arriving at the Facing or Sitting Palace

Facing Period Star in Prison & Usage Period (Di Yun)

Yin Yang Adding Up to 10

Fu Yin and Fan Yin

Fu Mu and Lian Zhu San Ban Gua

Seven Stars Robbery

Castle Gates Two Palaces

Replacement Stars Theory and Practice

Shen Sha Affecting a House

External and Internal NaJi Mouth Methodology

Influence of the External Gua Qi of Space and Time on the Internal Qi of a House.

Strategy for Flying Stars Analysis

Feng Shui Audit Checklist using "Feixing" and "Xingshi Pai" methods

Further Luopan Rings and their Usage

Practical Application – using a selected location for case study.

MODULE 4 - 6 Days HEALTH, BAZI SUANMING, PROFESSIONAL PRACTICE

This module covers professional practice skills, including presentation techniques, business skills and consulting ethics. Applications of Feng Shui knowledge will be discussed, they will help you to gain basic insights into a person's elemental characteristics, health and traditional Chinese Medicine.

A comprehensive introduction to the subject of Bazi Suanming, otherwise known as "Four Pillars of Destiny", will be taught. Your learning will enable you to apply this system sufficiently to carry out an elemental analysis. Before this module, you are required to revise the 10 Heavenly Stems and 12 Earthly Branches studied earlier.

Subjects include: Feng Shui and Health: Relationship between traditional Chinese Medicine (TCM) and Feng Shui Human Qi Therapeutic Classifications of Foods: Yin and Yang, The Five Elements and Flavours **Seasonal Connections** Basic Palm, Face and Body Reading Bazi Suanming: Revision of The Chinese Calendar and 60 Jiazi Years Cycle 10 Heavenly Stems, 12 Earthly Branches, 12 Zodiac Animals How to Calculate a Bazi Four Pillars Chart Using Five-phase Relationship to Assess a Chart Significance of the Day Master **Professional Practice Skills:** The Consultation Process Responding to your Client's Brief Listening and Observation Skills **Presentation Skills** How to Write a Feng Shui Report Professionally Core Skills Required to be a Feng Shui Practitioner Business Skills and Practice Administration Advertising and Public Relations **Professional & Moral Ethics**

Practical Case Study Consultation and Report Application

Fee Structure

MODULE 5 - 6 Days LARGE SCALE PROJECTS, XUAN KONG DA GUA PAI, EXAM CONSULTATON

This module examines the different requirements to undertake large scale residential and commercial projects. It draws together the theory and techniques taught throughout all the previous modules. We look at the application of these 'tools' to the working environment, focusing on the development of 'pattern thinking', learning how to see solutions from a web of inter-relationships.

In order for the students to have a broader understanding of the various Liqi Methods, we may also briefly examine the working of Liu Fa School Xuan Kong Feng Shui and review the use of a Feng Shui Luopan Compass.

There were six Xuan Kong Feng Shui schools in China during the late Qing and early Republic era, but only two of them survive today. The Xuan Kong Da Gua (XKDG) system is lesser known and less used than the Xuan Kong Feixing (Flying Stars) School.

Da Gua refers to the 64 Hexagrams. The XKDG system uses the Early Heaven Trigrams with the Luoshu numbers to assess a situation's auspiciousness and harmfulness (Ji-Xiong) relative to the 64 Hexagrams, using the 'Coming Dragon' and 'Going Water', sitting and facing of a site as references.

Subjects include:

Different Methodologies for Residential Sites and Commercial Sites

Commercial Project Case Study

A Large-Scale Project Case Study

Feng Shui Connection with Urban Planning

Yijing Divination

Construction of the 64 Hexagrams

Xuan Kong Da Gua (XKDG) Feng Shui

XKDG methodology to measure land features and locate a house

Coming Dragon and Going Water

Da Gua Water Placement

XKDG Luopan Rings and their Usage

Final Exam Site Visit and Consultation

NB. The subjects listed in the five modules outlined above are to be referred to as guidelines only, as they may be rearranged or adapted from time to time to aid students' learning outcomes and other teaching circumstances.

CERTIFICATION

Students who wish to obtain a Certificate of Completion are required to keep an ongoing Feng Shui journal throughout the course and to complete all their set homework and their exam submissions. They will be expected to participate in a minimum of ten case studies /consultations during the course, including supervised onsite visits.

Homework will be set after each class and has to be submitted before the next module. Students who have completed all 4 modules to the satisfaction of the college may take the module 5 examination assessment. A Certificate of Completion of the course will be awarded to students who pass their final exam assessment successfully.

The final assessment examination will consist of four parts:

- 1. Submission of your complete journal entries for assessment of the progress you have made during the course.
- 2. Verbal presentations or interviews during the course covering theories and practices taught in Modules 1 to 4 of the Course, to show your understanding of Feng Shui philosophy and history, Form School, Bazhai and Feixing methodology and application.
- 3.Undertaking a selected practical on-site consultation together in Module 5, after which you will prepare and submit within a set time an independent written report for final assessment. The aim is to ensure that you will have the ability and the skills to collect data efficiently and accurately, to observe and to examine a site, understand the human concerns, be competent to carry out an analysis and come to a set of determined recommendations and suggestions in a professional manner.
- 4. Submission of an independent Feng Shui consultation that you have undertaken with your own "clients", with your written report and written client feedback regarding the effectiveness of your consultation.

The above-mentioned reports are to be prepared in the professional layout format taught during the course and submitted by a date set at the time.

A total of 168 hours hours of attendance prior to this final module is required, making a grand total of 210 hours attendance training to be fully certified:

Module 1: 42 hours
Module 2: 42 hours
Module 3: 42 hours
Module 4: 42 hours
Module 5: 42 hours
Total: 210 hours

CORE COMPETENCIES REQUIRED TO BE A PROFESSIONAL PRACTITIONER

Core competencies = the basic skills necessary to be a practitioner of Feng Shui.

1 Learning the language and history of Feng Shui (Module 1)

- The Feng Shui paradigm
- The deep and shallow structure of Feng Shui

This includes having an understanding of the traditional Chinese paradigm and means being able to think within this framework by looking for patterns and interconnected relationships, rather than our more accustomed cause-and-effect linear relationships.

2 Reading energy in tangible forms (Modules1& 2)

- - Landscape
- Form and Configuration
- Dwellings, cities, etc

We rely on the tangible and intangible energy information we receive from all of our senses - sight, sound, touch, smell and taste - to be able to piece together the complex pattern of inter-relationships in any given situation.

In order to read qi (energy) as it manifests in 'form', we need to use our spatial skills (our internal 3D map) and to be able to think about how objects sit in space, before we can effectively create and appreciate the outward form of places.

- 3. Reading intangible energy patterns (Modules 2 & 3)
- Time & space
- Bazhai Pai (Eight Houses)
- Feixing Pai (Flying Star)

Knowing techniques for uncovering the qi (energy) patterns we cannot 'see' with our five senses. To get a complete a picture of the inter-relationships of a situation we need to consider the patterns of time and the subconscious energy patterns involved. This includes being able to listen and respond to our client's unique needs.

- 4. Putting it together: (Modules 4 &5)
- Identifying problems & formulating solutions
- Check lists
- Case studies

By using a mixture of techniques and information we can put together a pattern of any situation. Form is considered the pivot of the model of inter-relationships, because Feng Shui is essentially about creating space and form. The other techniques are 'tools' to help us to do this in the most holistic manner possible.

5. Communicating the solutions (Modules 4 & 5)

Both verbal & written communication:

- a. To clients
- b. To other professionals
- c. In case studies and reports

Professional Feng Shui consultants must be able to present solutions and advice clearly both to clients and to other professionals, such as architects, interior designers, draftsmen, engineers and builders. We need to be able to communicate well verbally and be able to read plans and produce sketch designs that are of a professional standard. When forming a solution, the key objective is to aim to satisfy our client's brief, their requests and needs.

WHY YOU SHOULD DEFINITELY ATTEND THIS COURSE

1. Our course is unique, offering the most extensive coverage currently available –

This course has unsurpassed content, including many effective topics not generally being taught in other practitioner training. It is held in an excellent classroom venue located close to the centre of London and includes lots of on-site practical work and case studies.

By the time of your graduation you will have gained an impressive level of expertise, sufficient to be ready to practice at a high quality professional standard, which means your work will be in demand because of those skills. The training outcome will be the best available anywhere to support your chosen career.

2. We will share our specialist skills and the practical applications with you -

Both Howard and Sylvia work full time at the cutting edge of of Feng Shui consulting and we will share with you our longstanding professional work experience. You will learn all the most effective traditional Feng Shui methods, their classical origins and their practical application in today's living environment for both residential and commercial situations.

3. We can guarantee you the very highest level of quality teaching -

We both have an excellent reputation in the international Feng Shui community for setting the highest level of education standards and for our advanced level of professional expertise.

4. You will receive exceptional personal attention from us -

We will be available to offer you personal support and mentoring all through the course. Our aim is that every student excels. We will do our best to make that happen.

5. The small class size is set at a personalised teaching level -

There will be a maximum of fifteen students on this course. That means you will have our fullest care and attention at all times and you will learn in a close and personalised teaching atmosphere.

6 Post-graduate personal mentoring is included in the course fee -

We recognise that after students have graduated they meet real life consultation situations that may be challenging to them at first. We will continue to be on hand until June 2022 to give you ongoing support if needed as you start to develop your professional consulting skills, giving you potentially two full years of continuous Feng Shui learning opportunity.

OUR UNIQUE APPROACH

The European College of Feng Shui (ECOFS) aims to produce efficient students and practitioners who are not only practically effective but also classically correct.

This is possible because the sources of our teaching materials come directly from the original authentic Chinese Feng Shui classics. We use them as our starting point to explore the theories and practice of Feng Shui which continue to be effective today. Extensive student course-note manuals and teaching aids are supplied with each module.

We have a deep respect for the written words of the past. But we do not follow the classics blindly, for as Zhuangzi said it once, reading the books of sages who are no longer with us is like looking at the labours of dead men. We aim instead to make the classical text come alive and we refer to the past as a direct and trustworthy means to serve the present.

Being a Feng Shui architect as well as an authority on the living tradition of Chinese Feng Shui, Howard teaches in a practical, efficient and down-to-earth manner and he has a spatial design orientated approach to Feng Shui. Student learning of the classical theories is always supported by presentations of case studies, as well as conducting practical onsite studies that demonstrate the effectiveness of Feng Shui in our modern environment.

We prefer face-to-face teaching in the intimate atmosphere of a small class, where the individual progress of each student is of primary concern to us. We truly believe that the future of Feng Shui as a profession depends on the high quality teaching that an institution like ours provides.

Therefore we are committed in our endeavour to bring out the very best qualities and potential in each and every one of the students who attend our courses. This is our commitment, and we will deliver it.

Howard Choy

FEES for the ECOFS PROFESSIONAL TRAINING COURSE COMMENCING 18 JUNE 2020 - 5 OCTOBER 2021

The Full Course Fee is £5900

* An Earlybird Fee of £5500 is offered until 15 August 2019 *

Class places will be limited to fifteen maximum to give our students the finest quality learning opportunity and our fullest attention. You are encouraged to enrol early to reserve your place on the course and to take advantage of our generous Earlybird offer.

Payment Schedule in Three Instalments:

due at registration for enrolment £500 / 575 euros

due by 15 February 2020 £2700 / 3100 euros (Earlybird fee £2500 / 2875 euros)

If any student experiences unforeseen financial constraints, staged payment of the final instalment may be possible by special arrangement. Your payments guarantee your place on the course, so it will not be possible for us to make any refund if you do not attend any classes or if you decide to discontinue your studies.

When you successfully pass the course exam you will receive your graduation certificate and you will then be eligible to obtain professional practice insurance cover, which Feng Shui consultants in the UK and in most other countries are expected to have.

Further free one-to-one mentoring is available after the course completion until the end of June 2022, which means you will receive a total of two years learning opportunity. During that additional time, if you need help with any of your initial consultations or continuing studies we will be available to support you in the process.

Former students and qualified consultants wishing to attend individual modules will also be welcome to join us, provided there is a place available in the class.

Class fee for attending an individual module is £1200 / 1400 euros

ECOFS PRIOR FOUNDATION TRAINING

Prospective students are expected to attend an ECOFS accredited two day introduction training course to gain preliminary foundation knowledge of Feng Shui prior to undertaking the professional course.

The next ECOFS two day accredited Introduction Course will be held on the 31 October & 1 November 2019 at the Swiss Cottage Hotel NW3 3HP. The fee of £290 includes a comprehensive student manual. Full details can be requested from us, are on the ECOFS website www.fengshui-college.org and on www.fengshui-living.com/intro-course-details

To assist any student enrolling after the introduction course date, ECOFS foundation training may be provided as a home study option to help you acquire preliminary knowledge before attending the professional course.

COURSE DATES, CLASS TIMES and the CLASS VENUE LOCATION

The professional training course class dates are arranged as follows:

Five modules with six days in each module = 30 days total spread over fifteen months

Course Dates -

2020

June 18 - 23 Mod 1 (6 days)

Oct 01 - 06 Mod 2 (6 days)

2021

Feb 25 - March 02 Mod 3 (6 days)

June 24 - 29 Mod 4 (6 days)

Sept 30 - Oct 05 Mod 5 (6 days)

Class Times - 10am - 5pm each day

On the final day of each module the class will finish at 4pm, to allow international students to travel home that evening.

Teaching may continue later on certain days of each module, by a prior arrangement that would be agreed at the time with students attending the class.

Class Venue - The Adamson Suite at Swiss Cottage Hotel 4 Adamson Road, London NW3 3HP

One minute walk from Swiss Cottage Jubilee line tube station, Eton Road exit Five minutes walk from Finchley Road Metropolitan / Jubilee line tube station

For enrolment, registration of interest and enquiries - Please contact us and give your name, contact number, address/ location and website if you have one.



What Students Have Said About Howard Choy's Teaching

"Howard is an amazing teacher with an abundance of knowledge and skills which he openly shares with the class. Howard's teaching style is relaxed, varied and enthusiastic, providing practical excursions, clear presentation and invaluable handouts and knowledge. I look forward to doing many, many more classes with Howard." Jill Lynch

"Howard's knowledge is unparalleled. He is perhaps the only teacher of Feng Shui equally at home in practical application and academic research. He is also one of the few who understands the Chinese classics and is able to explain them, not just in translated English but into Australian! His sense of humour and passion to answer any question or solve any problem, paired with his uncanny insights make him the most influential master of his generation. It would be negligent not to take any opportunity to learn from Howard, as those who do never leave with their skill and art unchanged." Tyler J Rowe

"Howard is a very valuable and knowledgeable tutor, I loved his real Chinese attitude and philosophy. I think the training was very good. A very clever man. Hope more people will study the practitioner courses with him." Anna Dun

