

ABOUT PMA RECCOMENDATIONS & THE PSC PROGRAM

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Suggests the following when shopping for a Program:

The Italics will denote how PSC compares

Here is a list of questions to ask once you find a Pilates Teacher Training program that you are interested in:

- Does the program have more than one training program if so what are they? Yes, we have programs in multiple locations across the USA, Canada, Turkey, and Israel. PSC has modular or all-inclusive programs (Mat, Reformer, Cadillac and Chair) available.
 - Who is the program director?

Dr. Andromeda Stevens, D.C. and Kelli Altounian

- Does the Program Director have 10 years of Pilates teaching experience? Yes, The Directors have an extensive background including a Doctorate in Chiropractic and a BA in Dance and hold multiple Certifications in related fields. PSC has been producing quality instructors since 2000.
- Are there any other facilitators/ trainers who assist with the program? Yes depending on the location there will be assistants and/or apprentice Master Trainers available.
 - Have the facilitators/ trainers attended a Comprehensive Pilates Teacher Training course or are they PMA Certified Pilates Teachers? *The Directors and Master*

Trainers of PSC qualify as a YES both questions. We are all PMA Certified.

• Have the director and the facilitators had at least 7 years teaching experience or are they PMA Pilates Certified Teachers?

The Directors answer YES to both questions. The facilitators, depending on location will have a minimum of 5 years experience and have passed the PMA Exam.

• How long does it take to complete the program?

16 weeks for a full program plus self paced homework and required observation/practice hours.

• Are there any prerequisites to attend the program?

Yes, 30 hours of Pilates experience with a qualified Pilates Instructor – we can assist you at a discount

• Does the program have an entrance exam?

No, interview only. Unless entering with a partial completed Program – PSC will test you in to determine placement level.

• Does the program include movement science, observation, hands on mentoring and self-study?

Yes, comprehensive anatomy, fundamentals, terminology and Pilates Philosophy included in all courses as well as a high number of class hours and an apprentice program. All are included in our price.

• Is there a written and practical exam?

Yes, the exam is practical and written as well as a written Assessment Project and Anatomy Thesis Paper.

• Does the program provide a contract of the services?

Yes – comprehensive to protect the Student

• Minimum 450 hours required for completion of program. Yes

• Program hours should include: lecture/observation/personal Pilates practice or lessons/workouts/supervised student teaching.

Yes – high classroom hours are vital. We offer 128 hours of actual class time

• *Program covers reformer/trap table/ped-o-pul/barrels/chair.

Yes (barrels and Ped-o-pull are separate workshop)

- Course participants should have prior Pilates experience or a course entrance requirement. Yes this will make your experience more meaningful and fluid.
- *Written and practical test with passing scores required for completion.

Yes — as well as our assessment of students over-all performance.

- Are there any requirements for entry into the program? (Most comprehensive Pilates programs require prior Pilates exercise experience or an entrance exam as a prerequisite for entry into the program.) Yes previously discussed
- Does the training program offer instruction on all the pieces of exercise apparatus or just a specific piece?

Yes – Mat, Reformer, Cadillac, Chair and small apparatus. Our anatomy is included (and is NOT a separate course for an additional fee.)

• What is the time structure for the program? Does it meet weekly or weekends, monthly, etc.?

Bi-weekly for 4 hours per session for 16 weeks to best absorb the material and interfere minimally on lifestyle and ability to rest, as well as absorb the material.

• How long does it take to complete the program? (For example: Total structure of the program requirements in hours/months.)

Full Program is 16 weeks plus self paced study

• Are lecture observation, apprenticeship and practice hours involved? (Remember, a well-rounded program includes all of the above.)

Yes – no hidden charges or requirements

- Who is the program director, and what is his/her background and training? Bios available on website http://www.PilatesSportsCenter.com
- Who are the program's other facilitators, and what are their backgrounds? (The Pilates Method Alliance guidelines suggest facilitators of comprehensive training programs to have taught Pilates a minimum of 5 years prior to instructing instructors.)

Yes, see website for complete bios and pictures of all Master Trainers

• Can the program provide references with contacts of prior graduates of their program?

Yes, they are all very successful and have created a Global Network

• Does the program administer a practical and written exam prior to issuing a certificate? *Yes – answered above*