# ASHAYA <sub>YOGA®</sub>

## 200 Hour Transformational Teacher Training Curriculum Overview

This is the curriculum from our2O24-25 program. Minor modifications will be made for 2O25-26

### Module 1

#### Live Online Weekend (on Zoom)

- Begin the Journey of the Heart
- Introduction to Ashaya Yoga Method
- Tantra Philosophy: Path of Radical Affirmation
- The Four Essentials™
- The Five Great Elements
- Ashaya Morning Sadhana, kriya, full practice
- Asana Clinic
- Seat of the Teacher:
- Own Your Experience (Making "I" Statements)
- The Power of Loving Presence (Co-Listening)

## Module 2

Self-Paced, pre-recorded videos (totaling approximately 13 hours)

- Embody The Four Essentials™
- 25 Samkhya Tattvas: Principles of Existence
- Yoga History Timeline
- Asana Clinic
- Seat of the Teacher
- Adhikara: Studentship

## Module 3

Self-Paced, pre-recorded videos (totaling approximately 16.5 hours)

- Deepen Your Practice
- Refine The Four Essentials™
- Introduction to Shiva-Shakti, Absolute and Relative
- Patanjali's Yoga Sutras: Yamas and Niyamas
- Asana Clinic

## Module 4

Live In-Person Retreat

- Patanjali's Yoga Sutra, padas 1 and 2
- Sat Darshans: The Six Visions of Hinduism
- The Three Yogic Worldviews
- Components of a Yoga Class
- What is an Ashaya Yoga Class? What is an Ashaya Teacher?
- Taking the Seat of the Teacher
- PT 1 (Practice Teaching) with Personal Mentoring
  - Warmups, Breath and Movement Coordinated
  - Sun Breath, Cat/Cow, and Sun Salutations
  - Foundations of Feet and Hands
  - Prepose Instruction
  - Teaching Asanas Using The Four Essentials<sup>™</sup>
  - Plain and Explicit Language
  - Directional Language
  - Unskillful Word Habits
- PT 2 with Personal Mentoring:
  - Teaching Asanas Using The Four Essentials™
  - Breath Context Statements
  - Technical Context Statements
  - Benefit Context Statements
  - Unskillful Word Habits
- Seat of the Teacher:
  - Name Your Shame, Claim Your Shame
  - Emotional Agility

## Module 5

Self-Paced, pre-recorded videos (totaling approximately 16.5 hours)

- Shiva Nataraja: Revealing the Secrets of the Universe
- Pancha Krtyas: The Five Acts of Shiva
- PT 3 with Personal Mentoring, schedule after this module
  - Opening Statement
  - How to Lead a Centering
  - Teaching with a Unity Heart Theme
  - Interweave Theme with Action
  - Heart Virtue Context Statements
- Seat of the Teacher:
  - Worthiness Is Your Birthright
  - Vulnerability as the Source of Courage

Meet with your support group for approximately 1 hour to complete the Heart Virtue Context Statement Assignment

After Module 5, Sunday, 2-5 p.m. PT 3 Mentoring (Live, Online)

## Module 6

Live Online Weekend\*

\*Self-Paced, prerecorded videos (3 hours) to be completed before Feb. 5

The Ultimate Yoga Anatomy Experience for Teachers and Students: Celebrating the Interplay of Science and Spirit with Randy Boyd

#### Module 7 Live Online Weekend (on Zoom)

- Bhagavad Gita Study:
  - Dharma, Courage, and Purpose
  - Three Gunas
  - Three Paths to Freedom
- Eight Attributes of the Absolute
- Chit Ananda and the highest purpose of the practice
- Subtle Body Anatomy:
  - The Four Tantric Bodies
  - The Five Koshas
  - Chakras: The Shakti Matrix of the Subtle Body
- PT 4 with Personal Mentoring:
  - 4-Steps to the Introduction to the theme
  - Refine The Four Essentials™
  - Self-Demonstrations of Poses and Actions
  - Pacing
- Seat of the Teacher:
  - Chakra Matrix, Clearing Out Blockages

## Module 8

Self-Paced, pre-recorded videos (totaling approximately 17 hours)

- Continued Bhagavad Gita Study:
  - The Field and the Knower of the Field
  - Karma and Renunciation (moved from mod. 7)
- PT 5 with Personal Mentoring:
  - Pulsation Themes
  - Linking language for pulsation theme (E2 and E4)
  - 6-Steps to Śavasāna
  - Closing statement (recap theme)
  - Mirroring: mirror at least one pose while teaching

- Art of Sequencing, create separate videos of each topic and put in folder
- Qualities of a Great Teacher
- Lesson Planning
- Prenatal Yoga
- Seat of the Teacher:
  - Your Hero's Journey

After Module 8, Sunday, 2-5 p.m. PT 5 Mentoring (Live, Online)

## Module 9

Live In-Person Retreat

- The Deepest Meaning of Ashaya: Abode of the Heart
- Freeing the Voice Workshop
- Four Vibratory Bands of Consciousness
- Om and the Four States of Consciousness
- The 36 Tattvas: Principles of Existence
- Chakra Yoga Transformational Practice
- Teaching Beginners, Modifications, Use of Props
- Intro to Hands-On Assisting
- PT 6 with Personal Mentoring:
  - Pulsation theme for E3 Pelvic Integration
  - Technical and Benefit Context Statements of Pelvic Integration
  - Linking language for Pelvic Integration
  - Active, Reflective, and Indirect Voice
- Professional Practices
  - Ethics
  - Marketing
  - 10-Class Ashaya Series
  - Online Tech and Set Up
- Devotional Ritual, Celebration, and Graduation
- Talent Show, Saturday night
- Seat of the Teacher:
  - Teaching as Sadhana
  - Devotion
  - Kula: Family of the Heart