

# SYLLABUS

# LEVEL 1: FOUNDATIONS





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#### THE 12 HOUSES

Let's head over to the "movie sets," AKA the 12 houses of the zodiac. Learn what area of life each house represents. Then, we look at your chart to see what houses the planets are occupying. Using the keyphrases and worksheets, you will begin to interpret this 3rd part of the 4-part puzzle. Gain a deep understanding of what it means to have a planet in a house versus an empty house, as well as chart shapes and stelliums.

#### LESSON 5

# THE 12 HOUSES, PART 2

Each house contains one or more zodiac signs within its borders. Learn how the signs and the houses come together to "decorate" the movie sets. Discover the 4 angles: Ascendant, Imum, Coeli and Midheaven and how they direct key areas of your life—self, home and family, relationships and career. Additionally, discover what zodiac sign and planet is the "ruler" of each house of your chart—and how to use that to shape every area of your life.

# LESSON 6

#### THE ASPECTS

The chemistry and dialogue between the planets is determined by the Aspects (Angles) between them. There are 7 key aspects that set the vibe. Are the planets in your chart engaged in a love scene, a fight scene, an action scene—or maybe all of the above? Every chart is unique and the actors (Planets) assemble on the sets in specific configurations based on your birthdate. Learn how the Planets, Zodiac Signs and Aspects come together to shape the storyline of your life.

# THE ASPECTS, PART 2

Let's get deeper into the Aspects to see where the interplanetary chemistry is scorching hot! Those little tick marks around the wheel? Those are the 360 degrees of the circle that is your birth chart. In case you need a Geometry refresher: Each zodiac sign takes up 30 degrees of the circle. (12 signs x 30° = 360°, get it?) At your moment of birth, every planet landed at a specific degree of a specific sign—and when it comes to understanding the chemistry between the planets, this matters a whole lot! Learn about the 0-3 degree orb (distance) that makes an Aspect particularly strong. Unlock the three decans—or 10-degrees of each 30-degree sign and discover where the planets land in your chart!

#### LESSON 8

#### BECOME THE ASTROLOGER

Now that you understand the foundations of reading astrology charts, it's time to keep mastering the interpretive dance. The best way to do so? Practice, practice, practice! We'll tell you about the ongoing (free!) sessions we have set up for you, our students, all the way through December. Then, we share our essential ways to successfully and ethically read a birth chart for a friend, relative or client. Are you eager to keep training with us? Learn about our Oracles (Level 2) summer program which is designed to show you how to do predictive astrology and relationships charts.



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