



Immersion Course in Therapeutic Assessment with Adult Clients: Essential Concepts and Skills Training

2026 Saturday-Tuesday, September 19-22

Presenters: Stephen E. Finn, Noriko Nakamura, and Hilde De Saeger, with Mitsugu Murakami, Naoko Ogura, Yasuko Nishida, and Members of the Asian-Pacific Center for Therapeutic Assessment:

*The workshop will be in English with Japanese translation.

Location: Mahoroba Minds Miura

3231 Kami-miyata, Minamishitaura Town, Miura City, Kanagawa Prefecture, JAPAN 238-0101 [Google maps](#)

Access: Approx. 60 minutes from Shinagawa by Keihin Electric Express Railway.



This residential training course is designed for psychologists and advanced psychology graduate students who wish to gain in-depth knowledge about Therapeutic Assessment (TA) and practice TA skills under close supervision. It is expected that after this course, most attendees will be able to pass the online exam for Level 1 certification in Therapeutic Assessment.

Dr. Finn and his colleagues will lecture on the essential concepts and skills involved in Therapeutic Assessment of adults. Then participants will view video examples that illustrate each step in a Therapeutic Assessment with adults: Initial Sessions, Standardized Test Administration, the Extended Inquiry, Assessment Intervention Sessions, Summary/Discussion Sessions, Written Feedback and Follow-up Sessions.

Following each didactic portion, attendees will participate in structured role-plays in which they will practice the essential skills of Therapeutic Assessment with guidance from the workshop faculty. Large group discussions will help participants integrate TA principles and techniques into their own particular settings.



Schedule

The workshop will be held from 1:00-9:00 p.m. on September 19, from 9 a.m.- 6p.m. on September 20 and 21, and from 9 a.m.-4 p.m. on Tuesday, September 22.

Applicants to the training are advised that the training is time consuming, emotionally arousing, and challenging, and that it is not feasible to schedule other things (e.g., report writing, phone calls with clients, family outings) while the training is going on.

Attendees will have homework each night and will be busy each day all day.

DEADLINES

- **Early Registration: On or before July 31, 2026 (Fri)**
- **Regular Registration: After July 31, 2026 and on or before August 15, 2026 (Sat)**

Please note that registration may close before the deadline once the maximum number of participants has been reached.

Capacity
30 participants

Training Format

This is a residential training program.

Participants will stay in shared rooms (3-4 persons per room, separated by gender).

Single rooms may be available for an additional fee.

Fees


① General Participants

Early-bird: JPY 200,000 Regular: JPY 220,000

② TAI Members

JPY 180,000

The registration fee includes accommodation, meals (dinner on September 19; breakfast, lunch, and dinner on September 20 and 21; breakfast and lunch on September 22), a social gathering during the workshop, and workshop materials. Once the registration fee has been paid, refunds cannot be issued.

Payment Method: We accept credit cards only (Visa •  Mastercard • American Express • JCB • Diners Club • Discover)

To Register

After submitting this registration form, we will send you the payment instructions for the participation fee and a confidentiality agreement.

Please sign the confidentiality agreement and return a scanned or photographed copy by email (please note the deadline).

Registration will be confirmed after:

1. payment of the participation fee, and
2. submission of the signed confidentiality agreement.

- If you don't receive the confirmation email within 2 weeks, please contact us at asiancta@gmail.com

REGISTER →



The Asian-Pacific Center for Therapeutic Assessment and the Therapeutic Assessment Institute are not accredited by any external institution to offer continuing education credits. However, participants will receive an attendance certificate they may be able to use for continuing education credits in their own locality.

Comments from Previous Attendees

"This course has reinvigorated my excitement about being a psychologist."

"In this week I learned more about how to be a better assessor, colleague, supervisor, and therapist than in years in graduate school."

"You not only learn TA, but enhance your skills as a therapist, and discover a lot about yourself as a psychologist and as a person."

"RUN, DON'T WALK to this training!"

"This was the best training I have been to in **25** years of practice."

"Excellent faculty—engaging, accessible, brilliant."

Presenters

Stephen E. Finn, Ph.D., founder of the Center for Therapeutic Assessment, is a licensed clinical psychologist in practice in Austin, TX, a Clinical Associate Professor of Psychology at the University of Texas at Austin, and Senior Researcher and Director of Training at the European Center for Therapeutic Assessment at Catholic University of Milan, Italy. He has published 100+ articles and chapters on psychological assessment, psychodiagnosis, and other topics in clinical psychology, and is the author of *In Our Clients' Shoes: Theory and Techniques of Therapeutic Assessment* (Erlbaum, 2007), which has been translated into 7 languages. His new book, *Therapeutic Assessment and Interpersonal Neurobiology*, will be published in 2026 by Routledge. Dr. Finn is the recipient of the 2011 Bruno Klopfer Award from the Society of Personality Assessment, for distinguished lifetime contributions to the field of personality assessment.

Noriko Nakamura, Ph.D., Clinical Director of the Asian-Pacific Center for Therapeutic Assessment is a clinical psychologist who has been working with psychological assessment and psychotherapy for over 30 years as co-director of the Nakamura Psychotherapy Institute. Dr. Nakamura is well known for practicing and applying Rorschach Feedback Sessions in her psychotherapy. She is on the boards of the International Rorschach Society and of the Therapeutic Assessment Institute. She was the founder and former President of the Japan Society for the Comprehensive System (2003-2014) and a professor at Soka Graduate University (2000-2005). Dr. Nakamura is the author of many publications on the Rorschach Comprehensive System and other topics in psychological assessment, and she lectures frequently around the world.

Hilde De Saeger, Ph.D., is a licensed psychologist and psychotherapist in both the Netherlands and Belgium. She works at the Viersprong Clinic, a specialized treatment center for adults and adolescents with severe personality pathology and conduct disorders. She has published several articles and book chapters on personality assessment and completed her doctoral dissertation on Therapeutic Assessment with clients with personality disorders in 2019. Dr. de Saeger teaches graduate and postgraduate courses in personality assessment and Therapeutic Assessment in the Netherlands and Belgium. Since 2024, she has been an Honorary Fellow at the University of Amsterdam. She serves as a board member of the Therapeutic Assessment Institute and regularly presents about personality assessment and Therapeutic Assessment at conferences worldwide. She is certified in Therapeutic Assessment with adults.

