Blossom Yoga 200 hour Teacher Training Syllabus:

1- Techniques, Training and Practice: 100 Hours

Minimum Contact Hours: 75 hours

Minimum Contact Hours w / Lead Trainer(s): 50 hours

In this category we will study and practice:

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-Asanas: (theory, alignment, transition, practice) (64 hours)
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- -Standing poses
- -Back extension poses (back bends)
- -Folding forward poses and twists
- -Inversions
- -Balancing poses
- -Surya namaskar A+B
- -Yin + restorative postures
- -Introduction to Ashtanga (the primary series)

-Pranayamas: (theory, position, technique, practice) (14 hours)

- -Brahmari
- -Ujjayi
- -Viloma 1-2-3
- -Nadi Shodona
- -Kapalbati + Bastrika
- -Anuloma Viloma
- -Breath of Joy

-Kryas: (theory, technique, practice) (4 hours)

- -Neti (cleansing of the nose)
- -Trataka (candle or wall gazing, cleansing of the eyes)
- -Nauli (abdominal churning)

-Mantra + chants: (theory, practice) (4 hours)

- -Shiva mantra
- -Ganesha mantra
- -Tara mantra
- -Gayatri mantra
- -Rama mantra
- -Vasudeva mantra
- -Asatoma Sadgamaya (Shanti Mantra)

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-Mudras: (theory, practice) (2 hours)
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- -Hasta (hands)
- -Mana (Head)
- -Kaya (Body)
- -Bandha (internal)
- -Adhara (perineum)
- -Meditation: (theory, practice) (12 hours)

TOTAL: 100 hours

2-Teaching Methodology: 25 Hours

Minimum Contact Hours: 15 hours*

Minimum Contact Hours w/ Lead Trainer(s): 10 hours

In this category we will study and discuss: (25 Hours)

- -How to manage time
- -How to build a class
- -Different types of adjustments and their benefits
- -How to keep a professional relationship with students
- -Good communication skills
- -Healthy Boundaries + Holding space for students
- -The importance of self-practice for a yoga teacher
- -Self-cleanliness
- -The business aspect of being a yoga teacher
- -Yoga and the law

TOTAL: 25 hours

3- Anatomy and Physiology: 20 Hours*

Minimum Contact Hours: 10 hours

Minimum Contact Hours w/ Lead Trainer(s): 0 hours

In this category we will study and discuss:

-Basic Anatomy (6 hours)

- -Muscles
- -Bones
- -Organs
- -Compression, tension, proportion
- -Overview of anatomical pathologies (chronic and acute)

-Basic Physiology (6 hours)

(Functions and impact of yoga on the bodily systems, pathologies)

- -Musculoskeletal system
- -Circulatory system
- -Endocrine system
- -Respiratory system
- -Digestive system
- -Energy system (8 hours)
 - -Chakras
 - -Koshas
 - -Gunas
 - -Nadis
 - -Pancha Vayus

TOTAL: 20 hours

4- Yoga Philosophy, Lifestyle and Ethics for Yoga Teachers: 30 hours

Minimum Contact Hours: 20 hours*
Minimum Contact Hours w/ Lead Trainer(s): 0 hours

In this category we will study and discuss:

- -8 limbs of Ashtanga (8 hours)
 - -Yamas
 - -Niyamas
 - -Asanas
 - -Pranayamas
 - -Pratyhara
 - -Dharana
 - -Dhyana
 - -Samadhi
- -Yoga sutras of Pantajali (6 hours)
- -Yoga history, Upanishads to vedas to schools of yoga (3 hours)
- -Introduction to the Bhagavad Gita (3 hours)
- -The yogic lifestyle (10 hours)

(Introducing some basic concepts and how to apply them off the mat)

- -Dharma (path/purpose)
- -Karma (Intention/what am I creating?)
- -Sangha (the importance of the community)
- -Yamas+Niyamas (how to apply them)
- -Introduction to Ayurveda

TOTAL: 30 hours

5- Practicum: 10 Hours

Minimum Contact Hours: 5 hours*
Minimum Contact Hours w/ Lead Trainer(s): 5 hours

In this category we will study and practice:

- -Practice teaching with feedback from YTT trainers (6 hours)
- -Small practice teaching with feedback from classmates (4 hours)

TOTAL: 10 hours

6- Non-contact hours: (15 hours)

In this category the student will have to study or practice at home:

- Practice Asanas, pranayamas, kryas, mantras, meditation (5+ hours)
- -Read (anything that would be relevant to category 2) (5+ hours)
- -Read (anything that would be relevant to category 3) (5+ hours)
- -Read (anything that would be relevant to category 4) (5+ hours)
- -Practice teaching on your own, practice teaching with a friend or family member and receive feedback from that person (5 hours)
- Short written responses to questions posed between YTT meetings (2+ hours)

TOTAL: 27-30 hours

7. Total Hours: 200 Hours

Total minimum Contact Hours: 180 hours

Total minimum Contact Hours with Lead Trainer(s): 65 hours

Our YTT includes 185 contact hours with the lead trainer and 25+ hours of non-contact hours