

## **What to consider when choosing a *Feldenkrais* Training**

### ***Is this a fully accredited Training I can count on?***

Not every Feldenkrais® Training is fully accredited and time tested. Check to see if the one you are considering is an experimental (pilot) or “beta-test” design. Contact the *Feldenkrais North American Training Accreditation Board*® if in doubt. Ask how many students are currently enrolled and what is the minimum number required to prevent a Training from being cancelled. Also if, for some reason, you decide you want to transfer to a different program, will the hours you’ve already completed be credited by the other Training? In the case of SEFT, rest assured that the answer is yes.

### ***Does the Feldenkrais Training you are considering “teach to the test?”***

Moshe Feldenkrais was strongly against any kind of testing for his students, because it contradicted the core principles of his method. SEFT Trainings don’t ask you to jump through hoops to prepare you for a test that “proves” you are worthy of Guild Certification. Rather, we create a learning container that supports the whole person and nourishes intimate, personal connections so that core competencies emerge organically. Upon graduation, you become eligible to receive a *Feldenkrais* Guild Certification that allows you to practice immediately.

### ***Does the Training equip me to be a life long learner no matter what my professional and personal goals are or is the focus on a specific technical skill set?***

SEFT students not only graduate with technical skills and an immediate certification to practice but also go into the world with sufficient self-directed learning skills, awareness, integrity, and maturity to achieve mastery over time and “become the best that they can be” following their passions to achieve personal success.

### ***How flexible is the training format?***

SEFT Trainings emphasize the quality rather than the quantity of learning hours. That’s why our graduates are a cut above. We meet all accreditation board standards to guarantee that your Training will be recognized and respected throughout the world. Beyond this “minimum” we support you to do whatever enhances your learning between segments. As a self directed learner, you create a learning program that meets your needs, rather than being asked to fit into a generic “one-size fits all” schedule with rigid standards.

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### ***How much value will I gain for my commitment?***

All our choices, from the format we use, to the faculty we select, are made with one goal in mind: to create the most effective and efficient program possible, to maximize the value of your investment in experience, time and money.

### ***If I want to start a private practice once I graduate, will I have sufficient skills and enough training experiences under my belt to succeed?***

Success does not come from a specific set of technical skills or the amount of supervised practicum hours you complete, but rather from your self-confidence, your self-reliance, and skills as a life-long learner. In SEFT Trainings, the emphasis is on your self-development rather than repetitive practice, so you can achieve whatever success means to you. Through your personal self-assessment, you'll appreciate your strengths and seek out only the adjunct training and professional expertise you truly require.

### ***Will I learn how to market the work to the world?***

Yes. Angel Di Benedetto will be one of your Educational Directors. She spent years as a marketing and sales professional prior to learning the Feldenkrais Method®. In 1975, she was the first woman granted the Million Dollar Round Table Award of America. The MDRT is a valued, member-driven, international network of leading insurance and investment financial services professionals/advisors who serve their clients by exemplary performance and the highest standards of ethics, knowledge, service and productivity.

Since 1983, Angel has offered workshops internationally and privately consulted on how to build a Feldenkrais® practice. She seamlessly integrates her experience and wisdom into her SEFT Teaching. Angel also offers individual mentoring to those who desire more personal support.

### ***What kind of students are accepted into a SEFT Training?***

Because SEFT programs have always been guided by Moshe Feldenkrais' emphasis on eliciting and developing self-reliance, our acceptance process is not based upon your personal or professional goals after graduation. Rather, we seek students who take responsibility for their own self-directed learning, are committed to their learning. SEFT students learn to know and trust themselves.

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We attract students who are energized by the discovery process that forms the foundation of the Feldenkrais Method®. Students who thrive in our programs are inner-directed and don't appreciate being expected to conform to someone else's vision and goals. They are committed to developing themselves and will do what it takes to polish their "instruments" before working with others.

Students looking for "experts" or gurus to teach "how-to" formulas will be disappointed in our Trainings. Our emphasis is on the creativity and artistry inherent in the work. By the end of the second year, students are energized and comfortable with "not knowing" because they've developed the skills and curiosity to "find out."

"I don't teach,  
I provide conditions for learning"  
**Moshe Feldenkrais**

SEFT Graduates are:

Chefs not Cooks,  
Artists", not "Technicians,  
Composers" not Players,  
Life long learners not Test-takers,  
Outstanding not Average.

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