

*Dee Ganley Training Services*  
*Apprentice Program*



Creating a Happy Eager and fun relationship with your  
Four Footed Friends  
“every interaction is a teaching learning opportunity”

## **Pre-Apprentice – 50 hours**

**Goal:** To assist a prospective dog trainer in evaluation his/her aptitude for, interest in and commitment to being a professional dog trainer or dog training assistant. Upon completion of this course, student should be prepared to make a decision about pursuing dog training as a career goal.

**Prerequisite:** None

**Cost:** \$600

### **Commitment**

Minimum: 3 months, one day per week, 3 hours per day plus 1-hour practical review; optional –Any Shelter or Rescue volunteer opportunities to walk and or work with Shelter/Rescue dogs

### **Curriculum**

40 hours minimum of puppy classes, Level 1 and Level 2 Classes – preparation, observation, assisting, student teaching, wrap up

5 hours minimum observing private training and/or advanced classes

5 hours minimum of discussion and review of class observations, assigned reading, videos

As many hours of animal care at any shelter or Rescue of your choice

## **Apprenticeship – 200 -300 hours** (depends on your skill level)

**Goal:** To lay the foundation of skills and information necessary for a competent dog trainer. Upon successful completion of this course, student should be prepared for the position of unpaid or paid training assistant, depending on prior education and experience.

**Prerequisite:** None

**Cost:** \$2000 hours

### **Commitment:**

: At least a year or two mentoring with me

### **Curriculum**

A year or 2 worth of mentoring with me Puppy K, Level 1 and Level 2 Classes – preparation, observation, assisting, student teaching

- hours teaching under supervision
- hours observing private training and/or advanced classes, assisting as appropriate
- hours discussion and review of class observations, assigned reading, videos
- hours assisting w/shelter behavioral assessments
- hours volunteering with Shelter Rescue or Daycare of your Choice
- hour – practical observation of you teaching a class with written feedback

Goals :

These are the goals set for you

- Observe, Work with Dee while she is teaching classes and eventually work one of Dees dogs or one of your own until you feel comfortable Demoing each skills taught in Level 1 and 2 obedience course from start to finish-.
- Practice giving verbal solutions for simple behavior problems before reciting them to me

- Give me a verbal explanation on how to solve housebreaking
- Give me a verbal explanation on how to solve jumping
- Give me a verbal explanation on how to solve chewing
- Give me a verbal explanation on how to solve puppy nipping
- Give me a verbal explanation on how to solve barking
- Give me a verbal explanation on how to solve digging
- Explain to me how to perform an equipment check with clients and their dogs
- Give me a verbal explanation of the safety guidelines that clients should follow in group class –
- The Skills you will teach and learn come directly from My Pink Manual- “Build a Happy Eager Fun Relationship with Your Dog”

\*Dee will also require you to take several webinars through the whole process at your own time and expense

**Special Assignments:**

- a) select agreed upon area of special interest in behavior and training, read at least three books and write a paper on the subject of operant conditioning training philosophies and practices
- b) set agreed upon training goals and plans to achieve with own personal dog by completion of the course for practical final exam.

Are reading Book List will be given to you and Dee will give you a copy of her Manual and Book

Taking the whole program should prepare you be able to take the CPDT-KA certification exam – [www.CCPDT.org](http://www.CCPDT.org)

**Payment Requirements and expectations:**

If taking the whole program fee paid upfront \$2500 in full day your start \$ 2800 (if 2 payments ½ paid upfront and ½ halfway through the program. \$1400) or \$ 3000 (if paid in 5 payments of \$600 with in the First Year or what’s agreeable to Dee Ganley.)

\*Depending on your experience Dee might modify this program.

**APPRENTICE PROGRAM APPLICATION**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

e-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Contact Name/Number

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Apprentice Level Applied For: \_\_\_\_\_

Apprentice Program Goal(s):

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Prior Dog Training Experience:

\_\_\_\_\_

Current Dogs Owned:

\_\_\_\_\_

Days/Hours of Availability: \_\_\_\_\_

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I, the undersigned, do hereby acknowledge that there are inherent risks in handling and training dogs, and agree to hold Dee Ganley harmless in the event of injury to my person during my participation in the Apprentice Program. I also agree to fulfill my commitment to this program, and understand that there is no refund of my apprentice fee should I fail to do so.

**Signed** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date** \_\_\_\_\_

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Accepted	Date	Level
Rec'd \$	_____	Date