

BASIC MEDIATION TRAINING
ABERDEEN PROVING GROUND, MARYLAND
SEP 19-23, 2016

The Army Basic Mediation Course will be held at Aberdeen Proving Ground, Maryland, from Monday to Friday, September 19-23, 2016. This course is offered by the ADR Program Office in the Office of the Army General Counsel. The course is open to Army or other DoD employees who want to learn and practice basic mediation skills. There is no charge for the course, however, travel and per diem expenses are the responsibility of the student.

The course consists of 36 hours of classroom instruction and immersive role-play exercises over a 4 and 1/2 day period. Students will have two opportunities to mediate, once as a co-mediator and once as a solo mediator. Topics covered include the mediation process, the interest-based approach to dispute resolution, communication skills for the mediator, confidentiality of mediation communications, drafting an effective settlement agreement, overcoming impasses, ethical standards of conduct for the mediator, mediation logistics, conflict-handling modes, and basic introduction to federal EEO and non-EEO mediation. Students who complete all blocks of instruction and role-plays will receive a certificate of completion at the conclusion of the course.

The course begins at 0800 hours EDT, Monday, September 19, and concludes by 1200 hours EDT on Friday, September 23. Enrollees will be notified of the exact training location at Aberdeen Proving Ground prior to the course. Plan your arrival on Sunday, September 18, and departure no earlier than Friday afternoon, September 23.

Enrollment for the course is through your ATRRS coordinator. Class size runs from a minimum of 12 to a maximum of 24, with 16-24 the ideal range. For more information about the course or APG, please contact the course director, Ria Johnson, at Valaria.r.johnson.civ@mail.mil.