



## Evaluation Expectations, Guidelines and Tips

### **WHAT DO I NEED TO DO TO BE CERTIFIED?**

If you would like to receive the status of a Certified Archetypal Consultant you need to pass two evaluations. Each evaluation takes place in a 60-minute session. During one session you read a Sacred Contract (Chart of Origin) and in the other a Journey of Transformation Wheel. Purchasing this course and working through the Sacred Contracts Online (SCO) course material does not guarantee you certification.

If you do not pass your initial two evaluations you will need to pay an hourly rate for any re-evaluations. CMED's Mentors offer plenty of feedback on where more study is needed. CMED retains the final say as to whom is certified, and can deny certification and/or re-evaluations to any student for any or no reason. CMED also retains the right to modify or change this process at any time.

### **WHAT IS EXPECTED OF ME?**

For the evaluation to become a Certified Archetypal Consultant, you must be able to show a high level of comprehension of the qualities of the houses and the archetypes. Beyond simply reciting the written material or rote memorization, you need to be able to speak fluently about the houses and archetypes as if the material was your own.

The qualities of the houses and archetypes that you mention must match the actual qualities of the houses and archetypes. You may be asked to provide references to any qualities that do not seem to match the instruction in the SCO course. We encourage you to do independent research on both the houses and archetypes to broaden and deepen your knowledge. We are interested to hear what books, websites, etc. you have found helpful.

You need to demonstrate an accurate understanding of the guidelines for choosing archetypes. You must be able to describe the proper procedures for casting charts as well as explain the difference between the types of charts taught in the course.

We are looking for an ability to read from many perspectives and on many levels, creating that hologram that Caroline discusses. This means that your readings should include the light and shadow aspects of the archetypes. Your readings need to be grounded in day-to-day life and expand into the symbolic. More than one quality for each house and archetype should also be integrated.

During the evaluations, students are encouraged to share what questions they might ask their clients or what line of inquiry they would follow in the readings. We encourage a creative dialogue and are interested to hear how you work. Each student has his/her own way of relating to this material and we value this uniqueness.

## **HOW IS MY PERCEPTIVE ABILITY EVALUATED?**

Students should be able to give detached, objective readings that draw on the field of archetypal knowledge. Archetypal Consultants are not psychics. They do not tell clients who they are or what will happen in their lives. Instead, Archetypal Consultants read patterns of the archetypal forces in a chart and present these patterns to their clients for insight. Ultimately, it is up to the recipients of the reading to confirm or deny the reading. When the reading does not fit for a client, the Archetypal Consultant must be able to offer an alternative interpretation that still matches the patterns.

We are looking for impersonal interpretations of the archetypal patterns in a chart. We listen to be sure that you are not putting yourself, your personal feelings, or your personal judgments into the readings. Your readings should not have a charge to them. This is easier said than done, so be mindful of where you are in your readings.

A healthy balance between humility of character and confidence in your perceptive ability (also known as symbolic sight) is another part of being able to do this work for others. Without humility a need to be right will override the client's needs. Without confidence, the readings will either be tailored to what you think the other person wants to hear or to bracing yourself when sharing what you think they don't want to hear. We are listening for both humility and confidence.

## **WHO'S CHART WILL I BE READING?**

The evaluations are done with charts that are created by the CMED Mentor you are assigned to. Due to privacy concerns, we cannot give you a chart to read that is owned by an individual. Those of you that are skilled in intuitively reading people may find this perplexing because you are used to referring to a person's energy field for information.

Archetypal Consulting is not reading an individual's energy field but reading the archetypal patterns in that energy field. What is in one is in the whole. You are expected to use symbolic sight to view the chart and to perceive the archetypal patterns in it. With practice, you can employ your perceptive abilities to gather information from the energy field that the chart creates.

If you find this prospect daunting or confusing, we recommend you practice with wheels you create with random archetypes cast blindly. If you think that these types of charts don't "mean" anything, know that the charts are in service to your learning process and will bring you the insight you need to become more skilled at this work.

## **HOW CAN I PREPARE FOR THE EVALUATIONS?**

When preparing for these evaluations, practice synthesizing the material. Put together archetypes that don't seem to fit in particular houses and challenge yourself to create a reading that feels genuine. You should know the difference between coming at this intellectually versus symbolically. Something may sound good on paper, but if it doesn't resonate, go back to the drawing board. Be ruthless with yourself. If you don't know what it feels like to have an impersonal revelation or deep insight as a result of this work, set your sights on discovering that before anything else. We expect you to know the difference between symbolic insight and your mind making something up. Your future clients are relying on you to know that difference.

Other ways to practice for this evaluation are to pull archetypes out of the deck that you don't like or don't know and cast charts including those archetypes. Cast your natal archetypes blindly in working charts, so that you can start to see these personal archetypes impersonally. And lastly, one of the best exercises you can do is to cast the four survivor archetypes in the houses on a regular, if not daily basis. We really expect you to know the survivor archetypes and learning each of the four survivors in all of the twelve houses can greatly increase your abilities.

We also encourage you to do practice readings without charge. Start with friends and family. When you are with someone you trust, you have more safety to make mistakes and fumble a bit. At the same time, you will likely learn that it can be challenging to interpret a chart for someone you know. You can get caught up trying to weave personal details with archetypal patterns and get a bit overwhelmed. You can also rely too much on what you know about the person versus what the archetypes are revealing. As a next step, try asking for a connection to a friend of a friend that you might not know as well.

## **WHERE CAN I GET ADDITIONAL SUPPORT?**

Additional one-on-one support is available during the course with our CMED Mentors at an hourly rate. Working with a CMED Mentor during the Sacred Contracts Online course greatly aids your progress and gives you a head start in preparing for the evaluation process.

CMED Mentors are Certified Archetypal Consultants who have been selected by CMED specifically to assist you through this course material and with certification. The Mentors assist with your personal process as well as guide you through how to adapt this system to the work you do on behalf of others.

Contact Stacey Couch at [stacey@myss.com](mailto:stacey@myss.com) for further details.

## **WHAT DOES CERTIFICATION MEAN?**

Once you pass the evaluations, you are granted authorization to use the title “Certified Archetypal Consultant” on any of your marketing materials. We also give you permission to create a practice as an Archetypal Consultant or integrate your knowledge of archetypes and Sacred Contracts into an existing therapeutic or consulting practice.

Certification as an Archetypal Consultant does not entitle you to referrals or employment with CMED. CMED in no way agrees to promote or endorse you or your company. One exception to this is that upon certification, CMED will post content you provide (short biography, your photo, and contact information) on the Archetypal Consultant Directory on Myss.com.

## **WHAT ELSE DO I NEED TO KNOW?**

Does this sound like a big deal? That’s because it is! By passing this evaluation you are joining an elite group of talented individuals. You are representing Caroline Myss’ body of work of Sacred Contracts. We are excited to have more people join this group to help spread the power of the profound insight this method provides. We also understand how much time and commitment it takes to go through this course and we want to thank you for your dedication.

So, get to practicing and studying and good luck with your evaluations!