



PBA PATHWAYS TO ACCREDITATION

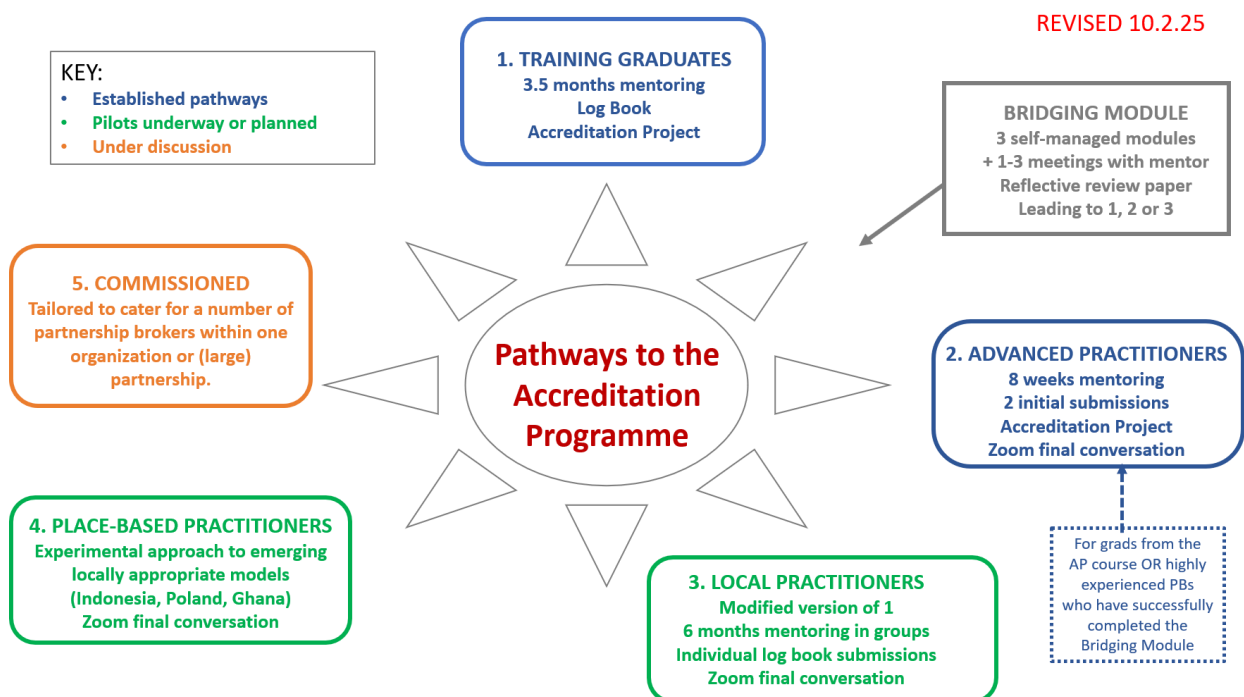
TRAINING GRADUATES PATHWAY

The Partnership Brokers Association’s diverse pathways to accreditation are designed to support the continuous professional development of partnership brokers everywhere. Whether you are a recent graduate from a PBA training programme, a highly experienced practitioner, a local practitioner or part of a larger organisation or a partnership requiring multiple partnership brokers, there is a pathway for you. As these pathways evolve—especially those in the process of being tested or planned – the PBA remains committed to maintaining high standards and to fostering innovation in the field of partnership brokering.

Each of the five pathways (see diagram below) include:

- **Mentoring** from a highly experienced and Accredited partnership broker
- A strong emphasis on **reflective practice** and a
- Rigorous **assessment** process

Together, these ensure that all those achieving the professional qualification – whichever pathway they have taken – are equally well-equipped to contribute effectively to partnerships and other forms of collaborative initiatives.





Training Graduates Pathway Requirements:

Designed for recent graduates of PBA's training courses, this pathway bridges the gap between conceptual learning, skills development and making sense of experience. It supports practitioners as they apply their knowledge and experience in the professional arena during a 3.5 month period and provides the opportunity to connect with others on the pathway through informal online group meetings facilitated by an experienced partnership broker. You are eligible for this pathway if you have successfully completed a PBA training programme in partnership brokering. Baseline competence in core partnership brokering skills is expected alongside evidence that you will be actively involved in a partnering / partnership brokering role during the timeline of the programme together with a recommendation from your PBA training course tutor(s).

Key Features:

- A **1-2-1 online working relationship with a mentor** – PBA's authorized mentors are all Accredited Partnership Brokers (APBs) who will be glad to share their own experiences and to learn from yours
- A **3.5-month mentoring period** – offering you the opportunity to systematically reflect on your day-to-day practice and to identify and test out some new approaches to your partnership brokering challenges
- Capturing reflections and lessons in a **Log Book or Journal** (these can be in written, audio, video or visual formats or, most commonly, some form of hybrid approach) which will be submitted to PBA at the end of the period of mentored practice
- The compilation of an **Accreditation Project** – selected by you as something of deep interest that you are keen to explore and that you feel will make a contribution to the partnership brokering paradigm.

At the end of all Accreditation pathways, each mentee is assessed on the basis of their formal submissions together with observations from their mentor. These will be formally reviewed by an appointed **examiner** from the PBA's **Accreditation Panel** – which sets the standards for the programme and provides the rigour required for awarding a professional qualification of this kind. All those offered Accreditation are required to sign and return a copy of the PBA's **Seven Commitments to Ethical Partnership Brokering** (see below):



All those who are recommended for Accreditation are required to sign up to these commitments before their Accreditation is confirmed.



Costs:

PBA is a 'social business' which means that it operates on a cost recovery, not-for-profit basis. Our Accreditation fees are based on actual costs or, where indicated, involve a level of cross- subsidy to enable those on lower incomes or from lower income contexts to be able to achieve Accreditation.

In offering the sliding scale below, PBA relies on applicants making an honest appraisal of what they / their organisations can afford and, wherever possible, making a higher level payment to enable others to undertake Accreditation.



Note:

Fees are presented in GB£s but other currencies can be accepted. Payment can be paid by bank transfer or credit card and, if necessary, payment can be made in installments as long as 50% is received before the start of the course.

Find out more

For more information or a pre-application conversation please contact the Programme Manager: accreditation@partnershipbrokers.org

Ready to apply?

To apply, please use the Application Form for the TRAINING GRADUATES PATHWAY on the PBA website (under ACCREDITATION)



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