

# BECOME AN INSTRUCTOR



How can I become an AHA Instructor? The American Heart Association is always seeking professionals to conduct training in first aid, CPR, AED, and advanced cardiovascular care. If you are passionate about saving lives, motivated to facilitate learning, feel comfortable in group settings and find it easy to make complex concepts understandable to others, you may be a perfect candidate.

Becoming an American Heart Association Instructor is easy after consulting with an American Heart Association Training Center to find out whether the Training Center (TC) is accepting new instructors.

## Follow this Basic Overview to Become an AHA Instructor

You must have a current AHA provider card in the discipline you are interested in instructing to complete the below steps.

1. Go to [Atlas.Heart.org](https://atlas.heart.org) to find a TC\* near you to ask if they are accepting new instructor candidates. The TC will provide guidance on the steps you need to complete including required paperwork.
2. Successfully complete the online portion, the in-person portion, and the monitoring portion of the Instructor course.
3. Once you have completed the steps above and have been issued your Instructor eCard you will need to align with your TC/TS in Atlas.

For a more in-depth step by step guide of how to become an AHA instructor from start to finish please follow the How to Become an Instructor guide\*\* which can be accessed via the QR code below. This how-to guide and additional resources can also be found on the Atlas Information and Resources webpage at <https://cpr.heart.org/en/private/atlas-information-and-resources>

## Once You Become an Instructor

### Atlas

Once you become an AHA Instructor, you will have access to Atlas, AHA's training and education platform, to access to the most current emergency cardiovascular care science, course updates, training resources, and tools through Atlas.

You will also be able to post class dates and times to reach more students through our public website.

All AHA Instructors must register and be confirmed on Atlas to receive their AHA Instructor ID#, which must be used to issue course completion cards.

### Instructor Community

In addition to Atlas, you will have access to engage with other instructors on the Instructor Community. Our hope is that you explore the site and begin to share ideas, discuss latest trends in CPR training, and give us feedback so we can partner with you to provide outstanding training and save more lives.

- Participate in or start discussion forums about training and best practices
- Chat with colleagues, share stories and photos, ask and answer questions
- List local events and view AHA national events
- Access resources to promote your CPR and ECC training
- Connect with peers



\*To find an AHA TC near you that may be accepting new instructors, scan the code or visit [Atlas.heart.org](https://atlas.heart.org) and use the Training Center Search tool



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