

Practice Readiness Education Program (PREP) Schedule for the 2026-27 Standard Intake

Registration Deadlines

Monday, May 11, 2026	Registration opens
Friday, June 5, 2026	Registration deadline Foundation Modules tuition payment due*
Friday, June 19, 2026	Foundation Workshops tuition payment due
Friday, August 28, 2026	Virtual Law Firm tuition payment due
Wednesday, January 6, 2027	Capstone Evaluation registration deadline** Capstone Evaluation accommodation application deadline
Wednesday, January 13, 2027	Capstone Evaluation tuition payment due

*Tuition for Foundation Modules must be received by CPLED to access course materials.

**This deadline applies only to candidates registering for exemptions or reattempts, all other candidates should already be enrolled.

Phases One & Two: Foundation Modules & Workshops

Candidates must register for and attend five workshop sessions. Multiple scheduling options are provided for each Workshop to allow for greater flexibility. All times noted below are in Mountain Time (MT).	
Monday, June 15, 2026	Pre-reading list distributed
Monday, June 22, 2026	Foundations phases open Capstone group selection survey opens
June 22–29, 2026	Review Introductory Information Review Foundation Modules as per detailed schedule
Monday, June 29, 2026	Practice Manager meeting bookings open
→ Monday, June 29: 9 AM to 12 PM → Monday, June 29: 1 PM to 4 PM → Tuesday, June 30: 9 AM to 12 PM → Tuesday, June 30: 1 PM to 4 PM → Thursday, July 2: 1 PM to 4 PM → Friday, July 3: 9 AM to 12 PM	<i>Workshop 1</i> ; choose one option to attend Topic: Ethics, Client Relationship Management, and Professionalism
Monday, July 6, 2026	Review Foundation Modules as per detailed schedule
→ Monday, July 6: 9 AM to 12 PM → Wednesday, July 8: 1 PM to 4 PM → Friday, July 10: 9 AM to 12 PM → Monday, July 13: 9 AM to 12 PM → Wednesday, July 15: 1 PM to 4 PM → Friday, July 17: 9 AM to 12 PM	<i>Workshop 2</i> ; choose one option to attend Topic: Interviewing Skills
Monday, July 20, 2026	Review Foundation Modules as per detailed Schedule
→ Monday, July 20: 9 AM to 12 PM	<i>Workshop 3</i> ; choose one option to attend

→ Wednesday, July 22: 1 PM to 4 PM → Friday, July 24: 9 AM to 12 PM → Monday, July 27: 9 AM to 12 PM → Wednesday, July 29: 1 PM to 4 PM → Friday, July 31: 9 AM to 12 PM	Topic: Negotiation
Tuesday, August 4, 2026	Review Foundation Modules as per detailed schedule
→ Tuesday, August 4: 9 AM to 12 PM → Wednesday, August 5: 1 PM to 4 PM → Friday, August 7: 9 AM to 12 PM → Monday, August 10: 9 AM to 12 PM → Wednesday, August 12: 1 PM to 4 PM → Friday, August 14: 9 AM to 12 PM	<i>Workshop 4</i> ; choose one option to attend Topic: Legal Writing and Drafting
Monday, August 17, 2026	Review Foundation Modules as per detailed schedule
→ Monday, August 17: 9 AM to 12 PM → Wednesday, August 19: 1 PM to 4 PM → Friday, August 21: 9 AM to 12 PM → Monday, August 24: 9 AM to 12 PM → Wednesday, August 26: 1 PM to 4 PM → Friday, August 28: 9 AM to 12 PM	<i>Workshop 5</i> ; choose one option to attend Topic: Oral Advocacy
Friday, August 28, 2026	Action required for Virtual Law Firm: → Review instructions for VLF oral assignments → Schedule Interview 1 and Negotiation 1 Action required for Capstone: → Deadline to submit group selection survey
Monday, August 31, 2026	Review Foundation Modules as per detailed schedule
Friday, September 4, 2026 at 11:59 pm MT	Foundations Phases Completion Deadline All Foundation Module Assignments due

Phase Three: Virtual Law Firm

Virtual Law Firm (VLF) consists of 16 mandatory assignments. The deadlines for each assignment are noted below. Candidates must also complete learning activities throughout VLF. The schedule below includes <i>recommendations</i> for how candidates may schedule these activities; all learning activities must be completed by the close of the VLF phase.	
Tuesday, September 8, 2026	Virtual Law Firm phase opens
Deadline	Action Item
Wednesday, September 16, 2026	Assignment: VLF#1 Research 1
Wednesday, September 23, 2026	Assignment: VLF#2 Advocacy 1
Wednesday, September 23, 2026	Deadline to schedule Interview 1 and confirm Negotiation 1 pairings
Thursday, October 1, 2026 <i>completed Sept 24 – Oct 1, 2026</i>	Assignment: VLF#3 Interview 1
Wednesday, October 7, 2026 <i>completed Oct 2 – Oct 7, 2026</i>	Assignment: VLF#4 Negotiation 1
Thursday, October 8, 2026 11:30 am – 12:30 pm MT	Live Q and A Session <i>Must watch Skill Session #1 (Legal Research) before attending</i>
Tuesday, October 13, 2026 11:30 am – 12:30 pm MT	Live Q and A Session <i>Must watch Skill Session #2 (Legal Writing) before attending</i>

Wednesday, October 21, 2026	Assignment: VLF#5 Writing 1
Wednesday, October 28, 2026	Assignment: VLF#6 Drafting 1
Wednesday, November 4, 2026	Assignment: VLF#7 Ethics 1
	Assignment: VLF#8 Practice Management 1
Thursday, November 5, 2026	Deadline to confirm Negotiation 2 pairings
Thursday, November 5, 2026 11:30 am – 12:30 pm MT	Live Q and A Session <i>Must watch Skill Session #3 (Ethics, CRM & PM) before attending</i>
Monday, November 9, 2026	Ethics & Professionalism Activities
Tuesday, November 10, 2026 11:30 am – 12:30 pm MT	Live Q and A Session <i>Must watch Skill Session #4 (Legal Drafting) before attending</i>
Thursday, November 12, 2026 <i>Completed November 6 – 12, 2026</i>	Assignment: VLF#9 Negotiation 2
Wednesday, November 18, 2026*	Assignment: VLF#10 Advocacy 2
Tuesday, November 24, 2026	Deadline to schedule Interview 2
Wednesday, November 25, 2026	Assignment: VLF#11 Research 2
Friday, December 4, 2025 <i>completed Nov 30 – Dec 4, 2026</i>	Assignment: VLF#12 Interview 2
Wednesday, December 9, 2026	Assignment: VLF#13 Writing 2
Wednesday, December 16, 2026	Assignment: VLF#14 Drafting 2
Thursday, December 24, 2026 – Sunday, January 3, 2027	CPLED Offices Closed
Wednesday, January 6, 2027	Assignment: VLF#15 Ethics 2
	Assignment: VLF#16 Practice Management 2
January 11 – 22, 2027	Capstone Preparation Weeks
Thursday, January 21, 2027 at 12 pm MT	Practice Manager Meetings Close
Thursday, January 21, 2027	Deadline to review: → Self-study Module on Trust Accounting → Self-study Module on Preparing for Capstone: How to Use Your Feedback → Self-study VLF Module on Professional Development Virtual Law Firm Phase Closes

*Candidates must complete at least one mandatory practice manager meeting before 4 p.m. MT on November 18, 2026. Candidates may book up to two additional practice manager meetings at any point during the Foundations and Virtual Law Firm phases. Candidates who did not complete their mandatory meeting before the deadline will be unable to access a practice manager during the weeks of January 11–22, 2027.

Phase Four: Capstone

Monday, January 25–Friday, January 29, 2027	**Capstone Evaluation Week 1 – Written Assignments
Monday, February 1– Friday, February 5, 2027	**Capstone Evaluations Week 2 – Oral Assignments

**Candidates will complete their Capstone Evaluation over the course of both weeks.

Please note the following:

1. This schedule is subject to change.