

## Practice Readiness Education Program (PREP) Key Dates for the Fall 2026 Accelerated Intake

### Registration Deadlines

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| Tuesday, August 4, 2026     | Registration opens                                                                           |
| Friday, August 21, 2026     | Registration deadline<br>Foundation Modules tuition payment due*                             |
| Friday, September 4, 2026   | Foundation Workshops tuition payment due                                                     |
| Tuesday, September 15, 2026 | Virtual Law Firm tuition payment due                                                         |
| Monday, October 26, 2026    | Capstone Evaluation registration**<br>Capstone Evaluation accommodation application deadline |
| Monday, November 2, 2026    | 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

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| 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, September 7, 2026                                                                                                                                                                                     | Pre-reading list distributed                                                                                          |
| <b>Monday, September 14, 2026</b>                                                                                                                                                                             | <b>Foundations phases open</b><br>Capstone group selection survey opens                                               |
| September 14–18, 2026                                                                                                                                                                                         | Review Introductory Information as per detailed schedule                                                              |
| Friday, September 18, 2026                                                                                                                                                                                    | Practice Manager meeting bookings open                                                                                |
| → Thursday, Sept. 17: 9 a.m. to 12 p.m.<br>→ Thursday, Sept. 17: 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.<br>→ Friday, Sept. 18: 9 a.m. to 12 p.m.<br>→ Friday, Sept. 18: 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.                                            | <i>Workshop 1</i> ; choose one option to attend<br>Topic: Ethics, Client Relationship Management, and Professionalism |
| September 21–25, 2026                                                                                                                                                                                         | Review Introductory Information as per detailed schedule                                                              |
| → Tuesday, Sept. 22: 9 a.m. to 12 p.m.<br>→ Tuesday, Sept. 22: 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.<br>→ Wednesday, Sept. 23: 9 a.m. to 12 p.m.<br>→ Wednesday, Sept. 23: 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.                                        | <i>Workshop 2</i> ; choose one option to attend<br>Topic: Interviewing Skills                                         |
| → Thursday, Sept. 24: 9 a.m. to 12 p.m.<br>→ Thursday, Sept. 24: 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.<br>→ Friday, Sept. 25: 9 a.m. to 12 p.m.<br>→ Friday, Sept. 25: 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.                                            | <i>Workshop 3</i> ; choose one option to attend<br>Topic: Negotiation                                                 |
| → Monday, Sept. 28: 9 a.m. to 12 p.m.<br>→ Monday, Sept. 28: 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.<br>→ Tuesday, Sept. 29: 9 a.m. to 12 p.m.<br>→ Tuesday, Sept. 29: 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.                                              | <i>Workshop 4</i> ; choose one option to attend<br>Topic: Legal Writing and Drafting                                  |

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| → Thursday, Oct. 1: 9 a.m. to 12 p.m.<br>→ Thursday, Oct. 1: 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.<br>→ Friday, Oct. 2: 9 a.m. to 12 p.m.<br>→ Friday, Oct. 2: 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. | <b>Workshop 5</b> ; choose one option to attend<br>Topic: Oral Advocacy                                                                                                                                             |
| Thursday, October 1, 2026                                                                                                                                  | Action required for Virtual Law Firm:<br>→ Review instructions for VLF oral assignments<br>→ Schedule Interview 1 and Negotiation 1<br>Action required for Capstone:<br>→ Deadline to submit group selection survey |
| <b>Friday, October 2, 2026 at 12 p.m. MT</b>                                                                                                               | <b>Foundations Phases Completion Deadline</b><br><b>All Foundation Module Assignments due</b>                                                                                                                       |

### Phase Three: Virtual Law Firm

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| 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. |                                                                                                    |
| <b>Friday, October 2, 2026</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | <b>Virtual Law Firm phase opens</b>                                                                |
| <b>Deadline (4 p.m. in your registered jurisdiction)</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | <b>Action Item</b>                                                                                 |
| Friday, October 2, 2026                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | Deadline to schedule Interview 1 and confirm Negotiation 1 pairings                                |
| Monday, October 5, 2026                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | Assignment: VLF#1 Research 1                                                                       |
| Tuesday, October 6, 2026                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | Assignment: VLF#2 Advocacy 1                                                                       |
| Wednesday, October 7, 2026<br><i>completed Oct 5–7, 2026</i>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | Assignment: VLF#3 Interview 1                                                                      |
| Thursday, October 8, 2026<br><i>completed Oct 5–8, 2026</i>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | Assignment: VLF#4 Negotiation 1                                                                    |
| Friday, October 9, 2026                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | Assignment: VLF#5 Writing 1                                                                        |
| Tuesday, October 13, 2026                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | Assignment: VLF#6 Drafting 1                                                                       |
| Wednesday, October 14, 2026                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | Assignment: VLF#7 Ethics 1                                                                         |
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| Thursday, October 15, 2026<br>11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. MT                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | Live Q and A Session<br><i>Must watch Skill Session #1 (Legal Research) before attending</i>       |
| Friday, October 16, 2026                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | Ethics & Professionalism Activities                                                                |
| Monday, October 19, 2026                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | Deadline to schedule Interview 2 and confirm Negotiation 2 pairings                                |
| Tuesday, October 20, 2026<br>11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. MT                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | Live Q and A Session<br><i>Must watch Skill Session #2 (Legal Writing) before attending</i>        |
| Thursday, October 22, 2026<br><i>completed Oct 21–22, 2026</i>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | Assignment: VLF#9 Negotiation 2                                                                    |
| Friday, October 23, 2026                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | Assignment: VLF#10 Advocacy 2                                                                      |
| Monday, October 26, 2026                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | Assignment: VLF#11 Research 2                                                                      |
| Tuesday, October 27, 2026<br><i>completed Oct 23, 26–27, 2026</i>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | Assignment: VLF#12 Interview 2                                                                     |
| Tuesday, October 27, 2026<br>11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. MT                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | Live Q and A Session<br><i>Must watch Skill Session #3 (Ethics, CRM &amp; PM) before attending</i> |
| Wednesday, October 28, 2026                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | Assignment: VLF#13 Writing 2                                                                       |

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| Thursday, October 29, 2026<br>11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. MT | Assignment: VLF#14 Drafting 2                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
|                                                           | Live Q and A Session<br><i>Must watch Skill Session #4 (Legal Drafting) before attending</i>                                                                                                                                                        |
| Friday, October 30, 2026*                                 | Assignment: VLF#15 Ethics 2                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
|                                                           | Assignment: VLF#16 Practice Management 2                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| November 2 – 6, 2026                                      | Complete self-study activities and begin to prepare for capstone                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| November 9 – 12, 2026                                     | Capstone Preparation Week                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| Thursday, November 12, 2026<br>at 12 p.m. MT              | Practice Manager Meetings Close                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| <b>Thursday, November 12, 2026</b>                        | Deadline to review:<br>→ Self-study Module on Trust Accounting and Safety<br>→ Self-study Module on Preparing for Capstone: How to Use Your feedback<br>→ Self-study VLF Module on Professional Development<br><b>Virtual Law Firm Phase Closes</b> |

\*Candidates must complete at least one mandatory practice manager meeting before 4 p.m. MT on October 30, 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 not be permitted to meet with a practice manager during the week of November 9–12, 2026.

### Phase Four: Capstone

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| Monday, November 16 to Friday, November 20, 2026 | **Capstone Evaluation Week 1 – Written Assignments |
| Monday, November 23 to Friday, November 27, 2026 | **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.