

Call for New GWRRA University Instructors

- GWRRA strives to provide world-class instruction to its members through Rider Education on-bike riding courses, Medic First Aid/CPR, and over 50 University seminars and modules. Training in GWRRA is a benefit to all who participate and is a team activity. It's an educational opportunity intended to meet the needs of Chapter, District, and TEAM GWRRA Officers, and the Members.
- With a focus toward superior instructors, a rigorous program of training, demonstration, and coaching was developed. The candidates who successfully complete the Instructor Training and Certification Program (ITCP) are called University Instructors with a single certification and they can present any module.
- Florida has a wealth of experienced, well-trained riders and co-riders. We try to draw from that experience and knowledge to share it with all our membership.
- To help meet this need, we are currently working to provide an ITCP training workshop in Florida. It is a one-day class where you can work with a University Instructor Trainer on the finer points of the teaching process and practice presenting a module to the class. The process itself is collaborative, very educational, and enjoyable for all participants.

Does this sound like something you would like to do? If so, here are the next steps to take:

- There is some prep work to be done and 2 prerequisites that need to be met by each candidate PRIOR to participating in the ITCP class.
 - Your GWRRA membership must be current and
 - You must be a participant in the Rider Ed levels program and be current in whichever level you hold.
- In addition, you need to watch the 4 videos that are posted on the GWRRA University website <https://gwrradot.com/> and complete a form indicating that you have done so and send it to the University. (The steps you need to follow to accomplish this are listed below.) Once we receive this form, you will be scheduled to participate in a Video Debrief of what you saw on the videos as well as get some additional information as to what to expect at the ITCP class. Successfully completing the Debrief allows the Instructor Trainer who will be conducting your class to email you the password for the documents you will need to bring with you to class.

Here is the process –

- 1 Watch the 4 videos that show some segments of an actual class. These can be found on the GWRRA University website. Go to the GWRRA University Website - gwrradot.com and select the Menu Choice labeled ITCP Training - you will see a drop-down list. From the list, select the item labeled - ITCP Videos - There are 4 videos on the page. View each video, noting the instructional techniques presented.
- 2 Next, complete the ITCP Inquiry Form found on the ITCP Training menu. When you fill out the form and submit it, you will get placed on a list for a Video debrief.
- 3 After the University receives a number of forms from the candidates, we will schedule the debrief. It's helpful (but not required) to have multiple candidates on the same video call.
- 4 Once the candidates have successfully completed the debrief, the instructor for their class will send them the code to access the ITCP Prep materials including a "Student Guide" and associated Study Materials approximately 2 weeks prior to the date of their ITCP Class. We give the student 2 weeks of time to become familiar with the Study Guide as well as prepare a 4-minute segment of the "Module" to present to the class.
- 5 A final debrief will review your performance and understanding of the ITCP format. Instructors then work with the District University Coordinator to schedule and present classes – teaching a minimum of 2 every 24 months.

I truly hope you will consider joining our ranks of trained, competent, and dedicated University Instructors. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact Lorrie M. Thomas, University Director at lorriemthomas@aol.com or 954-599-5178.