

## Leadership Program

1st class: May 5, 2022

Almost every week you will make a 10-minute video (7 - 15 min) and email it to me or email me the link to the video.

Most common format for videos is mp4.

I recommend making a youtube account and upload your videos to youtube. (it's free).

You set the video to Unlisted and only people with a link to the video can find it.

If you want it to be public change it to the Public setting.

I started in Sept 1972.

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The modern idea that the astrology chart is a road map, it tells you a direction in your life.

The ancient books tend to describe facts.

3 men with Sun in Aries and at least one other inner planet in Aries and a 3rd planet or more in Aries. (3 in a row). Ruler of Aries is Mars. Mars was strong.

A lot of clients with Leo strong. About 1/3 of them were extremely shy. Had none of the usual Leo qualities.

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Leo: Leo makes the person self-conscious. An existential fact. The fact that Leo is concerned with is that we exist as individuals. That we have control of our bodies and minds and nobody else has direct control of us. We orchestrate our lives. Like selective perception that Leo makes you acutely aware of your individuality.

Astrology works at some "higher" or more fundamental level.

Some fundamental principles of VA are:

The astrological variables are forces that motivate and direct us from a higher dimensional space.

I am proposing that astrology works by forces, purposes, and meaning from higher dimensions.

Astrology does not work directly as archetypes.

Archetypes are not primary; they are secondary.

If you interpret the forces, your interpretation is always correct (to the accuracy of our current knowledge).

If you interpret as archetypes, you have to do a lot of guessing.

By late 70's I had a reputation as a wizard . . . the astrological interviews turned into consultations.

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Does astrology tell us things about people that we can measure and replicate the findings?

In 1990's research on databases started to confirm what I saw in consultations.

In 2000's I went to UF and got a MA in Research and Evaluation Methods.

By the 2000's, especially by 2010 to 2015 a very large body of research had been conducted that suggests that astrology produces measurable effects.

Exciting result of the research is that improves consultations.

VA relies heavily on research and results from consultations. Both are important. They reinforce each other.

In 1990's Evidence-Based Medicine began and Evidence-Based Practice (EBP) is now emphasized in psychology, physical therapy, education, etc. as well. I recently made a series of videos on EBP but I am not giving them as homework.

The basic idea of an EBP is that you use the best evidence available. This is working well except for some problems such as pharmaceutical companies corrupting the Evidence-Based Medicine.

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Why do we not use Mars rules Aries etc. in VA?

1. We have not confirmed it in formal research such as any of the database methods we use or a case study or comparative study. We have not yet found a book or lecture that shows that the ruling planets would improve our VA interpretation.
2. There is nothing in the VA Theoretical Framework that indicates that planets rule signs?

If somebody make a compelling presentation (article, book, video) showing how we improve VA with ruling planets of signs and several VA astrologers look at it and find it compelling (seems to work better with rulers than without them) then we start to incorporate rulers into VA.

BEST EVIDENCE. If it appears that they help, we use it. No solid "proof" is needed.

Every astrologer can use ideas that are part of VA and not part of VA. Ideas that are not part of VA may be even better; we just haven't confirmed it yet.

VA is data-driven and consensus-driven.

Levels of evidence: Lots of research designs. Each research design gives a level of confidence in the conclusions.

Process for expanding VA: Document, present, review.

Again, you do whatever you want to do, and just label things correctly.

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Theoretical framework:

In VA we have a clear and specific theory for why:

- \* tropical zodiac signs work (it is not some vague relationship to seasons).
- \* houses work
- \* aspects work
- \* midpoints and isotraps work, Also arabic parts.

The reason why they work is consistent with modern science (physics, etc.) Has similarities to Superstring theory, quantum physics, etc.

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Data driven research: 20,000+ charts with AA data, data collected by the Gauquelins, husband-wife and children data that I used in research that I described at the 2022 VA Conference. Scores on extraversion-introversion administered by a psychologist with birth data from a birth record.

Consultations results

Theoretical framework

