#### **Becoming a Savory Institute Accredited Professional**

# ACCREDITED PROFESSIONALS

Savory Institute supports a worldwide network of accredited professionals that train, support, and work with local Savory Hubs, farmers, ranchers, consumers, government agencies, non-governmental organizations, and managers of communal lands. These professionals provide training, consulting and support in holistic management. These professionals are trained to provide support on ecologically regenerative, financially viable and socially meaningful outcomes.

### **Accredited Professionals**

Accredited Professionals include two recognized categories: Professional Educators and Field Professionals.

Professional Educator (Level 1)

Individual has demonstrated knowledge and ability to train in all aspects of Holistic Management content and has completed training in all aspects of Holistic Management content including:

- Foundations of Holistic Management 3 day course
- Holistic Financial Planning 3 days course
- Holistic Planned Grazing 3 day course
- Holistic Land Planning 2 day course
- Ecological Monitoring 2 day course

#### Field Professional (Level 2)

In addition to the requirements of the Professional Educator, the Field professional:

- Has a minimum of one year's demonstrated knowledge, ability, and field experience to train content and implement all aspects of Holistic Management on diverse applications based on actual experience in managing a ranch/farm/communal land holistically
- Has a minimum of three years' experience in managing and working on a farm or ranch

## Accreditation Benefits

Savory Institute Professional Educators/Field Professionals benefits include:

• **Updated Curriculum:** Enhanced materials including state-of-the-art multi-media curriculum and tools for delivery.

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- Continuing Education: Two annual continuing education courses.
- Quarterly Meetings: Four quarterly updates with Savory Institute.
- **Enhanced Marketing:** Networked on The Holistic Platform (THP) with Savory Hubs, Professional Educators, and Field Professionals.
- Contract Opportunities: Contracting opportunities through Savory Institute and its network of Savory Hubs. Savory and its network of Hubs are required to use Savory Accredited Professionals in all training, consulting, and project work.
- **Increase Demand:** Feedback/rating of your work by clients and Hubs, through THP (the network platform) allowing Savory Institute accredited professionals to earn merit points or reputation points that will increase demand for their services.
- **Discounts:** Access to discounted tickets to all Savory Institute events including the International Annual. In addition, discounts on all products and services being offered through Savory or its network.

# **Accreditation Process**

By design, the accreditation process is thorough, but it is well worth the effort. To become an Accredited Professional, you must:

- 1. Provide a letter of application stating you would like to be accredited with Savory Institute and at what accreditation level
- 2. Provide evidence of completion of training in Savory Holistic Management Professional Educator curriculum
- 3. Provide evidence of one year's experience in managing land and livestock holistically if applying for Field Professional
- 4. Provide evidence of three years' experience in managing and working on a farm or ranch if applying for Field Professional
- 5. For Professional Educator accreditation, provide references from one Savory Institute Accredited Professional Educator or Field Professional
- 6. For Field Professional accreditation, provide references from two on-site farm/ranch clients
- 7. Provide resumé or CV with Holistic Management and farm/ranch experience
- 8. Pay Savory Institute the Exit Review Fee, then request to schedule an Exit Review with Savory Institute
- 9. Complete and pass exit interview with Savory Institute or Authorized Savory Institute Professional Educator/Field Professional
- 10. Pay Savory Institute annual Professional Educator/Field Professional fee

To get started, start with step one and send your letter of application to us at contact@savoryinstitute.org.

# Accredited Professional Exit Fee

Upon completion of the requirements to become an Accredited Professional, an Exit Review will be conducted with Savory Institute to ensure the individual meets the standards to present/market themselves as a Savory Institute Accredited Professional either at the Professional Educator or Field Professional level.