

Blue Expert Certification (BEC)

Training Camp Travel Approval Information

The Blue Expert Certification (BEC) Training is designed to further develop your expertise and skills in using advanced Blue features so that you can implement any feedback process at varying degrees of complexity. Becoming a certified Blue Expert requires approximately 40 hours of your time: including a 3-day instructor-led training camp followed by 5 to 6 weeks of sandbox experience, consisting of approximately 8 hours of hands-on sandbox exercises taken at your own pace, supported by three 2-hour bi-weekly online review sessions. The final step of the Blue Expert Certification training is the certification exam. Blue Expert Certificates are awarded upon successful completion of the Blue Expert certification exam.

Location

The Explorance Head Office | 1470 Peel Street, Suite 500, Montreal QC H3A 1T1 Canada

Dates

Wednesday, February 6^t through Friday, February 8, 2019

As you consider your travel arrangements, please note that the training will begin Wednesday morning at 8:00am, and finish Friday afternoon at 5:00pm.

The <u>Blue Report Master Certification (BRMC)</u> training camp runs immediately prior to the BEC training camp on Sunday, February 3 through Tuesday, February 5, 2019.

BEC Fees and Terms

Registration Fees

The BEC training camp registration fees are as follows:

- Early bird rate: \$3,450 USD (until December 7, 2018)
- Regular rate: \$4,950 USD (after December 7, 2018) *Registration closes January 30, 2019

This fee includes:

- 3-day instructor-led, in-person training
- 5-6 weeks of hands-on experience post-camp to complete your exercises in the learning sandbox (approximately 8 hours required in total to execute all activities), to be done individually at your own pace
- Three 2-hour online group review sessions with your instructor, held bi-weekly to assist your progress through the 5 to 6 weeks of sandbox experience
- 1-hour post exam review session with the trainer
- Blue Expert Certificate upon successful completion of the certification exam
- Breakfast, refreshments, and lunch throughout the training
- Networking dinner

Registration Terms

The BEC training camp registration terms are as follows:

- There are only 16 places available for each training camp
- Places are allocated on a 'first-come, first-served' basis
- Registration closes 1 week before training is scheduled to begin
- Travel and lodging fees are not included in the registration cost

BEC Benefits of Attending

At the end of the Blue Expert Certification Training Program, a training participant will be able to:

- Provide a greater level of autonomy to end users and actionable insights to decision makers involved in the feedback process, by acquiring a deeper understanding of the Blue fundamental concepts and functionalities that help drive automation of any feedback process
- Explain how the DIG, BTA and BPI tools can be used with Blue to further extend its power and use them in their environments, appropriately
- Find well-vetted solutions to current challenges and opportunities that you are facing, by discussing them with the instructor and other experienced Blue users in your BEC training cohort
- Be part of the Blue Expert Community, and have access to BETA functionality in a shared sandbox environment
- Have the access to the training sandbox use for one year post training camp, which gives you access to the latest releases and all modules regardless of your product licenses, as well as the ability to upload your own data for testing and improvement prior to implementing in your own institution

Who Should Attend

The BEC program is intended for Blue Administrator certified users, or those who have an equivalent level of Blue knowledge and experience.

Becoming Certified

The Blue Expert Certification (BEC) training camp is designed to further develop your Blue expertise and skills, by teaching you how to:

- Implement an advanced level of end-to-end automation of your feedback processes
- Merge cross-listed courses to enable unified report building
- Implement dynamic report distribution to support your decision makers, as personnel changes
- Gain greater autonomy in the use of Blue and its companion modules and products to administer any feedback process
- Optimize your Blue implementation to best address your own institution's needs
- Experience how your expert knowledge and skills in using advanced Blue features and functionalities can help your institution and be a sought-after Blue Expert in your institution and by your colleagues!

The BEC training agenda is available <u>here</u>.

Preferred Hotel and Discounted Room Rates

Le St-Martin Hotel

980 Boul. De Maisonneauve West, Montreal QC H3A 1M5 Canada Hotel website: www.lestmartinmontreal.com

Discounted room rates at Le St-Martin Hotel are available for all BRMC attendees. Le St-Martin Hotel is conveniently located just steps away from the Explorance office in downtown Montreal. These rates are available for the evenings of Saturday, February 2nd through Sunday, February 9th and includes free WIFI, local calling, access to the outdoor heated pool as well as access to the 24h fitness center.

Discounted Nightly Rates (excluding tax):

- \$174 for the Classic Room
- \$184 for the Classic Room with Fireplace
- \$204 for the Grand Luxe Room
- \$214 for the Grand Luxe Room with Fireplace
- \$234 for the Panoramic Room with Fireplace

Reserving your Stay:

By Phone

You may call the reservation desk at 1-877-843-3003 (or 514-843-3000) and mention the Explorance group rate. You will be required to provide a valid credit card number for guarantee purposes.

By Email

You may email <u>info.mtl@lestmartin.com</u> and mention the Explorance group rate. You will be required to provide a valid credit card number for guarantee purposes.

Online

You may reserve your room with the discounted hotel group rate directly online through this link.

Contact

For any questions, please contact:

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BEC Camp Testimonials

"The Blue Certification Camp proved to be extremely valuable and as expected I learned a wide array of features within your latest platform release that [we] should (and will) utilize."

"The instructor and environment were excellent. The overall treatment of us 'guests' was very welcoming. The content was solid and packed with details about Blue. Having the hands on learning was extremely helpful in learning the features."

"I was also able to network and create further valuable take-away items from other institutions present at the training. Great job facilitating the training!"

BEC Website: www.bluenotesgroup.com/bec-at-montreal-2019