

2024 AICP Exam Preparation Course Lecturers

[Pamela Brown, Esq. FAICP](#)

President & Partner, Brown & Brown PC

Pam has over 30 years of experience as a planner and attorney. At Brown & Brown PC, Pam oversees all land use & permitting related real estate efforts. She also works with Massachusetts communities on development and zoning projects to help realize community visions ranging from affordable housing to mixed use. Pam has been an AICP Exam Prep instructor for many years.

[Brian A. Currie, AICP](#)

Consultant

APA-MA Chapter Manager

Brian currently serves as APA-MA Chapter Manager after 37 years of public planning experience working in Worcester, Weymouth, and Falmouth. Brian has worked with many Massachusetts communities as a trainer for the Citizen Planner Training Collaborative. This is Brian's sixth year as an AICP Exam Prep instructor.

[Bill Nemser, AICP LEED AP](#)

Maynard Planning Director

APA-MA Professional Development Officer

Bill is a planning professional with extensive background with local, regional, and state government, community planning, housing policy and economic development. A graduate of Florida Atlantic University where he earned his master's and bachelor's degrees in urban and regional planning, Bill is currently the Planning Director for the Town of Maynard, MA where he has worked since 2014.

[Daphne Politis, FAICP](#)

Principal – Community Circle

Daphne founded Community Circle in 1994, as a sole proprietorship. Her expertise is in creating innovative, equitable, and inclusive processes for stakeholders to participate in shaping their future. Over the course of her career, Daphne has been the lead or co-lead for over 40 municipal master plans, over 30 downtown, neighborhood, or area plans, and approximately 25 participatory place-making projects. She is a member of the APA-MA Transportation Committee and the APA-MA Equity Diversity and Inclusion Committee

[Natalie Press, AICP](#)

Project Manager - Community Transportation Planning, Bowman

Natalie is a project manager in community transportation planning at Bowman who brings a multimodal perspective to a wide range of transportation planning projects. Her work involves developing transportation master plans and corridor studies, leading community participation efforts, conducting transit analysis, and evaluating parking and transportation demand management strategies. Natalie's prior experience is with the Boston Region Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) where she assisted in managing and expanding public outreach strategies.

[Alyssa Sandoval, AICP](#)

Deputy Chief Planner - City of Newton Planning & Development Department

Alyssa is the Deputy Chief Planner for the City of Newton and has a wide range of public and private sector planning experience. Alyssa is a key member of the City's Current Planning Team, managing large-scale developments and permitting for the City. Before the City of Newton, Alyssa was the Economic Development Director for the Town of Bedford for over seven years where she was responsible for forming the Town's first economic development office.

[Ralph Willmer, FAICP](#)

APA Ethics Officer

APA-MA Legislative & Policy Officer

Citizen Planner Training Collaborative

Ralph is the current APA Ethics Officer, responsible for advising AICP members on the AICP Code of Conduct. Ralph serves as the APA-MA Legislative & Policy Officer, guiding the Chapter's on pending legislation. Ralph is also the Chair of the Citizen Planner Training Collaborative (CTPC) Board of Directors. This is Ralph's fifth year as an AICP Exam Prep instructor.