Enhancing Health through the Arts

Online Degree and Certificate Programs in Arts in Medicine and Arts in Public Health
Recent years have seen major advancements in integration of the arts into healthcare and public health. As health professionals strive to provide the best care, they also encourage healthy lifestyles and prevent disease. Additionally they’ve begun to recognize the benefits of creating meaningful artistic experiences for people in hospitals and in communities.

Engaging in creative expression has been found to have significant positive impacts on health. Hospitals and community health programs around the world are exploring this discovery in earnest, seeking trained professionals who can help coordinate the effort to integrate creativity and the arts into healthcare and health promotion programs.

UF’s online programs in arts in medicine offer students an access point into this rapidly growing profession, granting them insight into the process of using the arts to enhance health and wellbeing.

Today, approximately half of healthcare institutions in the United States have arts programs and this number is expanding rapidly.*

In the state of Florida alone, there are 107 arts in health programs.*

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Leaders in the Field of Arts in Health

The program is offered by the University of Florida’s Center for Arts in Medicine, an academic pioneer at the forefront of research and education in the field of arts in health. Housed in the College of the Arts, the Center’s mission is three-fold, encompassing education, research, and public engagement.

Through its acclaimed programming and curriculum, the Center serves as a national and international model for arts in health research, education, and programming. The faculty members that design and teach our online programs are recognized leaders in the field with decades of experience.
PROGRAM OVERVIEW

The Center for Arts in Medicine offers three programs to suit your academic and professional goals.

– Master of Arts in Arts in Medicine

A perfect fit for both artists and healthcare professionals, the online Master of Arts (MA) in Arts in Medicine program’s comprehensive curriculum covers the practical skills and advanced knowledge necessary to safely and effectively engage the arts in healthcare and community environments. Students study with accomplished leaders at the forefront of this growing field, building on their previous arts or healthcare experience to develop professional skills in the discipline of arts in health. While the course requirements can be completed entirely online, students also work directly with sites in their home community as a part of the program’s practicum components.

– Graduate Certificate in Arts and Medicine

For those who may not be looking for a full master’s program, but would like to learn how to effectively integrate the arts and health together in their careers, UF also offers an online Graduate Certificate in Arts in Medicine. The certificate offers students access to the core curriculum of the master’s program and the opportunity to participate in the practicum requirement. This provides a high degree of flexibility to those looking for a more expedient path towards earning a valuable professional credential and developing their skills.

– Graduate Certificate in Arts in Public Health

Building from the same essential learning objectives that shape our online programs in arts in medicine, the online Graduate Certificate in Arts in Public Health enables graduate students and professionals in public health, the arts, and other health and human services professions to engage the arts in a public health context. Graduates of this certificate program will be prepared to forge partnerships between public health and arts professionals and to use the arts – including drama, murals, music, performance art, and digital media – to help build effective community health and health communication programs.
The courses offered through UF’s online programs in arts in medicine reflect the latest research in the field, offering a comprehensive, relevant examination of the skill necessary to successfully engage with patients through the arts.

Master of Arts in Arts in Medicine

The University of Florida Center for Arts in Medicine offers the Master of Arts (MA) in Arts in Medicine through online distance learning. Students interested in applying to the program may contact the Center’s graduate admissions coordinator at camadmissions@arts.ufl.edu or 352-273-1488.

Requirements: Admission to the MA in Arts in Medicine program requires a bachelor’s degree in arts, health, or related field of study, and completion of a qualifying prerequisite. Requirements of the degree include completion of 35 credits of the following coursework with a 3.0 or higher GPA.

Core Curriculum (15 credit hours):

- HUM5357: Creativity and Health: Foundations of the Arts in Medicine (3 credits)
- HUM5595: Arts in Medicine in Practice (3 credits)
- HUM6353: Arts in Medicine Professional Seminar (3 credits)
- HUM6354: Arts in Medicine Advanced Professional Seminar (3 credits)
- HUM6597: Research and Evaluation (3 credits)

Practicum and Capstone (9 credit hours):

- HUM6942: Arts in Medicine Graduate Practicum (3 credits)
- HUM6358: Arts in Medicine Capstone Proposal (2 credits)
- HUM6596: Arts in Medicine Capstone (4 credits)

Electives (12 credit hours):

- HUM6365: Collaborating Across Disciplines: The Arts Therapies (3 credits)
- HUM6375: The Arts and Human Development (3 credits)
- HUM6308: Arts and Compassion (3 credits)
- HUM6355: Arts in Medicine Summer Intensive (3 credits)
- HUM6350: Art of Self Care (3 credits)
- HUM63520: Art and Design in the Environment of Care (3 credits)
- THE6933: Arts in Public Health Professional Seminar (3 credits)
- THE6948: Arts in Public Health Practicum (3 credits)
- HUM6930: Introduction to Coding & Narrative Analysis (2 credits)
Graduate Certificates

The requirements for the Graduate Certificates in Arts in Medicine and Arts in Public Health draws from the master’s curriculum to create a quicker means of earning a professional credential and studying the core fundamentals of the program. Both of the certificates require 12 credit hours of coursework to complete. Students will also have the opportunity to participate in a practicum course as in the full master’s program.

Graduate Certificate in Arts in Medicine (12 Credits)

- **HUM5357**: Creativity and Health: Foundations of the Arts in Medicine (3 credits)
- **HUM5595**: Arts in Medicine in Practice (3 credits)
- **HUM6942**: Arts in Medicine Graduate Practicum (3 credits)
- **HUM6353**: Arts in Medicine Professional Seminar (3 credits)

Graduate Certificate in Arts in Public Health (12 Credits)

- **HUM5357**: Creativity and Health: Foundations of the Arts in Medicine (3 credits)
- **HUM5595**: Arts in Medicine in Practice (3 credits)
- **THE6948**: Arts in Public Health Graduate Practicum (3 credits)
- **THE6933**: Arts in Public Health Professional Seminar (3 credits)

**TUITION**

Online MA in Arts in Medicine: $660 per credit hour; $23,100
Online Graduate Certificate in Arts in Medicine: $660 per credit hour; $7,920
Online Graduate Certificate in Arts in Public Health: $580 per credit hour; $6,960

Tuition estimates based on cost per credit hour and do not include University of Florida student fees, additional fees may apply.
Learning Online

The online degree and certificate programs offered by the UF Center for Arts in Medicine have been designed by experts to reflect the latest advancements and best practices in distance learning. Built on an accessible, intuitive platform that delivers content that’s both engaging and varied in presentation, the program represents the perfect union between convenience and academic rigor.

Each online course’s academic content is derived from the latest research done by the Center, and in the field. The program is as thorough as it is flexible, offering a detailed examination of developing strategies and skills, but without scheduled class times and the commute to campus.

In addition to UF’s online system that allows students to be registered for courses, pay tuition, engage in their coursework, and access the program, those enrolled online also have access to the following:

- **Gator Careerlink** – The Career Connections Center supports your exploration of career options, development of professional skills, and connections to opportunities after graduation.

- **Full access to the UF library and research databases through a secure VPN.**

- **24/7 Tech Support** – The e-Learning Help Desk and e-Libraries Help Desk sites are at your fingertips and ready to answer your questions.

- **A network of prestigious alumni.**

Next Steps

For more information about the University of Florida’s online programs in arts in medicine and to start the application process, visit [artsinmedicine.arts.ufl.edu](http://artsinmedicine.arts.ufl.edu), or contact our Graduate Programs Advisor.

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