

International Certification Online



Art4Healing® International Certification Online Program

We are proud to offer the **only** globally recognized Art4Healing® Certification, *exclusively available online.*

Ready to Apply?

We **highly recommend** you read the frequently asked questions and watch the introductory videos before applying. If you're familiar with the program, jump straight to the application now!

Last minute questions?

*We will review your application within **48 business hours** (Pacific Time). If you are accepted, you will have **30 days** to enroll and provide payment.*

Frequently Asked Questions

What is the Art4Healing® International Certificate Program?

Students will experience and complete Art4Healing® workshops and assignments through an online platform within a timeline of 9 months (or less). In addition to completing these assignments, students will be required to record and submit videos of themselves facilitating full workshops. These assignments will culminate in a final paper which will discuss the student's experience with Art4Healing® and future plans.

As additional support, students will be matched with an Art4Healing® Coach who will answer questions and review his/her assignments and facilitated workshops. All students will have a total of 9 hours (via 6 virtual meetings) with his/her Art4Healing® Coach.

Where is the International Certification offered?

Our Art4Healing® International Certificate Program has been offered in and completed by students from **Australia, Canada, New Zealand, England, and the United States**. However, we've had worldwide interest! In practicality, you can participate *anywhere you have a high-speed Internet connection*. Currently, our Art4Healing® International Certificate Program curriculum is offered in English and requires individuals to *speak and write fluently in English*.

What is the Art4Healing® Method?

Our Art4Healing® curriculum contains strictly guided exercises, rather than loosely formatted art sessions. These exercises are specially designed to elicit emotional responses. In a group setting through abstract painting, participants leave encouraged, with enhanced clarity and insight. Want to know more?

Watch This First

How long does the International Certification take to complete?

Students have 9 months to complete all assignments and requirements, however, students (along with their assigned Art4Healing® Coach) will be able to personalize their own schedules for completing each assignment.

How is this different from the Art4Healing® Brandman Certificate?

The Art4Healing® International Certificate Program is in no way associated with Brandman University. This international certification is solely certified by Art & Creativity for Healing, Inc., and therefore, does not include University credits.

This international certificate differs from the Art4Healing® Brandman Certificate due to the more extensive curriculum and is intended for prospective students to complete Art4Healing® Certification through web-based services. The Art4Healing® Brandman Certificate Program is only available in our studio in Laguna Hills, CA.

Do I need an art background or art degree to apply?

Prospective students do not need an art background or an art degree to apply. We certify counselors, teachers, therapists, medical professionals, artists, and others who help children and adults suffering from abuse, illness, grief or stress in the Art4Healing® method.

Are there any prerequisites?

While there are no course prerequisites for this certification, there are technical requirements for participants since this program is entirely web-based.

Each prospective student is required to have access to:

- A desktop or laptop with Internet capabilities
- A webcam and microphone set-up for virtual meetings (if your desktop or laptop includes this, you do not need additional equipment)
- A video-recording device, such as a cell-phone or camera (Students will need to video record themselves to complete two practicum assignments. Each video file recorded will need at least 5 GB of space on your device)
- A Google Account

In addition, please be aware that each participant is required to sign a training agreement and a photography and video waiver before participating in any certification activities. If you are unable to complete these prerequisites, your application may be denied.

Who provides the training?

Laurie Zagon, the founder of Art and Creativity for Healing, Inc., has designed the entire curriculum and provides training through her online instructional videos. Each student is also assigned a highly qualified Art4Healing® Coach to provide additional virtual support throughout his/her training.

All Art4Healing Coaches are certified facilitators with 2 years of experience or more. They currently work as facilitators for Art & Creativity for Healing, Inc. at our various partner agencies and serve the following demographics: veterans, victims of domestic violence, children and families suffering from homelessness, at-risk teens, and senior citizens.

Who coordinates the Program?



Laura Svette is our Program Coordinator. She was introduced to Art4Healing four years ago and was quickly hooked. After experiencing the unique methodology, she decided to pursue our Art4Healing® Brandman Studio Certification Program. We're glad she did!

Laura quickly began facilitating workshops with the Wounded Warriors Program on Camp Pendleton. She's helped hundreds of our service members express the language of color with abstract painting.

She's also done amazing work with our Partner, Orange County Department of Education's ACCESS Program. The ACCESS Program helps struggling teens who are foster care children, children who have been neglected at home, and kids who have been in trouble with the law and/or have slipped through the cracks within the system.

Laura was also honored at our 2017 Palette of Colors Gala as our 2017 Facilitator of the Year. We are grateful to have Laura's nurturing spirit and artistic talent behind our healing efforts!

Where can I use the International Certification?

Graduates can use the Art4Healing® method in any setting where participants can benefit from emotional healing. These settings include (but are not limited to) places such as hospitals, schools, homeless shelters, mental health facilities, veteran facilities, senior citizen centers, etc. You will be using the Art4Healing method as a supplement to your own unique program or in addition to an existing program.

How much does it cost?

The tuition fee for the Art4Healing® International Certificate Program is **\$2,500 per individual**. You will also be responsible for purchasing your own art materials.