Program Overview

The University of Haifa’s international master’s degree in Art Therapy is run by the Graduate School of Creative Arts Therapies and the International School of the University of Haifa. It is a full-time, one-year program that takes place over three consecutive semesters: Fall, Spring, and Summer, and is instructed in English. The program encompasses 36 Israeli Credits (90 European Credit Transfer and Accumulation System), which includes core courses, specialization courses, three research seminars, field training courses, supervision, and clinical experience in art therapy.

During the fall and spring semesters, students complete their academic coursework at the university three days a week with an additional day of field training in the format of a Clinical Seminar. During the summer semester, students participate in a clinical practicum and receive individual and group supervision.

The Clinical Seminar is designed as a “real-life” clinical experience that takes place outside of the University in various settings. The experience allows students to consolidate knowledge, apply skills and techniques, and solidify their clinical competence in their specialization. Field training runs from October through June, including the five-week semester break. Students complete 600 hours of field training during the masters program.

Students from countries with which the University of Haifa has an agreement may request to complete their practicum experiences in their country of origin under the supervision of a therapist/supervisor who will be pre-approved by the University of Haifa.

For additional information in English, visit the program website:
http://cat.haifa.ac.il/

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Final Award

Upon successful completion of all academic requirements and field training hours, students will be awarded a master of arts in Creative Arts Therapies with a specialization in Art Therapy.

Admission Requirements & Prerequisites

Candidates with an accredited bachelor’s degree who meet the following requirements and prerequisites may enroll in art therapy master’s training:

General Admission Requirements:

- Accredited BA, diploma and transcript
- A minimum of 3.0 GPA or equivalent to 80%
- TOEFL scores (if native language is not English or candidates have not previously studied at an institution of higher education where the language of instruction is English). A minimum of 570 (paper-based test), 230 (computer-based test) or 89 (internet-based test)
- Two recommendations from an academic
- Curriculum Vitae/Résumé
- Copy of your valid passport & six passport-sized photos
- Personal statement (500-700 words)
- Interview (group and/or individual)
- Medical forms

Academic Prerequisites:

- Introduction to Psychology (2 credits)
- Physio-psychology (2 credits)
- Personality Theories (2 credits)
- Developmental Psychology (4 credits)
- Psychopathology/Abnormal Psychology (4 credits)
- Research Methods (2 credits)
- Statistics (2 credits)
Applicants who do not meet the above academic prerequisites may complete missing courses online in English through different institutions.

**Art-Based Prerequisites**

Applicants must provide documented proof of 300 training hours and 200 hours practical “hands-on” experience in visual art. Practical experience may include exhibitions, arts-based community work and/or a 10-15 piece portfolio of the applicant’s artwork.

**Post-Graduate Internship Program**

After the masters training, students who want to practice Art Therapy in Israel may enroll in a one-year Internship Program at the University that operates in a continuing education format (for additional tuition). The internship requirement consists of 4 days in the field. The program tuition covers four academic hours of group supervision every two weeks, weekly on-site individual supervision, and advanced clinical workshops. The program runs for 40 weeks, from September to June, including the five-week semester break. Students complete additional 960 hours of internship during the Internship year.

**Curriculum * **

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- Multicultural Issues in Art Therapy – Seminar 4
- Cognitive Behavioral Art Therapy with Children and Adolescents- Seminar 4
- Trauma Informed Art Therapy with Survivors of Child Sexual Abuse – Seminar 4
- Art Therapy Group Supervision 6

### Summer Semester

- Group Supervision 3

Individual Supervision

* The curriculum is subject to change without notice.