ACATE is very grateful for its site evaluators and their expertise and time donated to assure that quality educational opportunities are being provided to graduate art therapy students.

Site Evaluator Qualifications

Site Evaluator qualifications include (but are not limited to):

- Current or Retired Art Therapy Educator, Art Therapy Practitioner, or Related Mental Health Field Educator (e.g., Creative Arts Therapy, Counseling, Psychology, Psychiatry, Social Work, and Marriage and Family Therapy, etc.),
- Licensure/Board Certification in given profession,
- Five (5) years of experience in given profession.
- A minimum service requirement of 1 visit within a 3 year period.

For more information on application requirements or to apply to be a Site Evaluator, download the application form on the ACATE website: https://www.caahep.org/ACATE

Call for ACATE Site Visit Team Members

Are you passionate about promoting the field of art therapy and ensuring the quality of art therapy education? Do you have a combination of critical thinking skills and great social skills? Does the idea of traveling to meet new art therapy students and teachers and experience graduate programs around the country excite you?

Apply to be a Site Evaluator!

Send email inquiries to: acatecouncil@gmail.com

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Interested in becoming an ACATE Site Evaluator?

The purpose of a site visit is to:

- Clarify and verify information submitted with the program’s Self-Study Report
- Assess the nature and manner in which the program’s objectives are being met, as determined through review of data, written materials and interviews
- Clarify how self-identified concerns or problems are being addressed.
- Review a program’s compliance with each accreditation standard for art therapy programs.

What does ACATE do?

ACATE is the Committee of Accreditation (CoA) that is a group working towards evaluating accreditation of art therapy educational programs. Its mission is to ensure that all art therapists receive the highest quality of education possible, and graduate with the skills necessary to be successful in the field.

The Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs (CAAHEP) and the Accreditation Council for Art Therapy Education (ACATE) cooperate with the American Art Therapy Association (AATA) to establish, maintain and promote appropriate standards of quality for educational programs that meet or exceed the minimum standards.

What does a Site Evaluator do?

Site Evaluators will:

- Collaborate with ACATE Liaison and at least one other Site Evaluator
- Review of the Program’s Self-Study Report
- Travel (all expenses reimbursed) to the Program for two (2) days (not including travel time)
- Review the Self-Study Report and related data submitted by the program, using a provided checklist
- Tour the Program facilities
- Meet with Program personnel (including Program Director, faculty, administrators, students, graduates and on-site supervisors/employers)
- Complete an On-Site Review Report after the visit.

Site Evaluators will receive extensive training prior to a visit and will be oriented to the ethics of being an evaluator.

In order to be assigned and visit a site, a potential site evaluators must:

- Complete the online training modules for ACATE Site Evaluators
- Complete and successfully pass the CAAHEP Site Evaluator quiz: https://www.caahep.org
- Complete and sign the ACATE/CAAHEP Consent to Serve form
- Complete and sign the CAAHEP/ACATE Site Evaluator Agreement form
- Provide ACATE with an up to date curriculum vitae

All travel expenses including airfare, ground transportation, lodging and meals will be paid.