

GAA Learning Center

Proposed Curriculum

We will be offering programs for:

- ✧ PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT
- ✧ LIFE PATH GUIDANCE
- ✧ CERTIFICATION in the areas of:

Integrated Spiritual Studies
Art, Music & Ritual Theatre
Healing
Environmentalism & Social Consciousness
Administration, Organization & Leadership

- ✧ ORDINATION

To be considered for Ordination, candidates must have successfully completed the 30 credits of the Basic Foundation Level Requirements, 30 credits of the Internship or Apprenticeship program, as well as any other course requirements determined necessary for the path of the candidate's ministry.

After completion of all required credits, an evaluation of the candidate by the Board will be required to apply for Ordination.

- ★ Designates required classes for Certification and Ordination. Each of these courses are the equivalent of two credits requiring 30 credits to meet the Basic Foundation Level Requirement necessary to proceed toward Certification or Ordination.

Internships

Each student seeking Certification or Ordination must fulfill a minimum requirement of internship or apprenticeship credits in the area of their chosen specialty. Minimum internship credits will be 30 credits.

The GAIA School is an evolving educational milieu which bases its curriculum on a matrix of studies which may include but is not limited to the following:

Spiritual Ethics

Principles/Ethics/Philosophy ✪

Discerning your Life Path ✪

Fundamentals of Paganism

Intro to Paganism

Basics and Commonalities of Earth-Based Religions ✪

Intro to Wicca

History of Wicca (European, American, Burning Times, Noted Pagans)✪

Wicca 101

What Wicca Is and Is Not/Our Beliefs ✪

Who is the Goddess?

An Introduction to the Study of the Feminine ✪

The Wheel of the Year

Sabbats, Holy Days ✪

Sacred Space

Altars

The Pentagram

Creating Sacred Space

Ritual Arts

What is Ritual?

Ritual Basics (Rites of Passage, Writing Ritual)

Reviving Old Rituals

Inventing new Rituals

Creating Rituals for Life and Death

Serving Community through Ritual

Magic

Elements of Magic: Tables of Correspondences ✨

Magical Tools

Casting the Circle ✨

Mythology

Meaning in Today's World

Basic study of Archetypes.

Goddess Herstory

Goddess by Geography

Goddess by Archetype

The Dark Goddesses

Shamanic Studies

Principle Teachings of the Medicine Wheel

Introduction To Shamanism

Trance Drumming

Journeying to Find Spirit Guides

Learning with Power Animals

History of Psycho-Active Drugs to Induce Shamanic Techniques

Dreams

Astral Travel

Meditation

Environmentalism

Environmentalism as Religion ✪

Music

Sacred Drumming

Trance Vocalization

Channeling the Ancient

Social Activism

What is Service? ✪

Human Rights Awareness

Time or Money

Right Use of Talents

Art of Relationships

Healing Relationships: Forgiveness and Accountability 🌱

Short Term & Long Term

Circles of Relationship

Cycles of Relationship

Sexuality

Energetics of Relationship

Madonna/Whore

Tantra

Neo Tantra and the West

ART

Understanding Creative Responsibility

Ritual Theatre

Dance

Mask Making

Sistrum Making

Creative expressions of the spirit through the arts and dreams

Meditation

Yoga

Visualization

Dreamwork as Teacher & Guide

Dreams - The Secret Language of Sleep

Dance

Belly Dance
Tantric Dance

Spiritual Service

Development of personal and interfaith prayer
Development of Personal Spiritual Practice
Practicing the Art of Compassion
Finding the Path of your Spiritual Service
Development and articulation of individual theology and philosophy
Preparation for Ministry, Chaplaincy, Spiritual Care

Inner Awareness Studies

Replacing Fear With Love
Listening to your Inner Guides
Understanding and Releasing Guilt through Forgiveness and Self-Love
Path to Building Self-Worth

Mind and Energy Studies

Power of Thought
Accessing Psychic Energy
Ancient Energy Centers – Study of the Chakras

Intuitive Development Studies

Development Of Psychic Sensitivity
Language of the Psychic: Images and Symbols
Divine Guidance
Principles of Channeling

Astrological Studies

Introduction to Astrology ✪
Symbolism, History and Fundamentals of Astrology
Astrology: You and Your Path ✪

Holistic Healing Arts Studies

History of Holistic and Spiritual Healing
Overview of Alternative Healing Methods
A Holistic Approach to Health Through Nutrition
Color, Sound and Fragrance
Herbology
Hands on Healing
Aromatherapy
Crystals

Power and Purpose of Manifestation Studies

The Creative Mind
Natural Laws of Manifestation
Laws of Non-Resistance
Service to Humanity
Living in the Now

Discovering your Dharma, Place and Purpose in Life
Prosperity Consciousness
Right Livelihood
Enough money?
Principle of Success Through Giving
Manifestation Through Creative Visualization

Reincarnation & Past-Life

Overview and History of Reincarnation

Gemstones and Crystals

Holistic Approach to Gems and Healing Stones
Properties of Gemstones
Healing Powers of Gemstones
Psychic and Magical Uses of Gemstones
Legend and Lore of Gemstones and Crystals

Psychic Sciences

Divination
Asking the Right Question
Tarot – Journey of the Fool
Archetypes of the Major Arcana
Pendulum
Runes
Study of Numbers and Their Meanings

Comparative Religion

Introduction to Comparative Religion ☼

Female vs. Male God

Duality vs. Paradox

Hermetics

Interfaith studies - overview of specific faith traditions

Introduction to Christianity from an Interfaith perspective

Introduction to Gnosticism

Introduction to Religions of Ancient Egyptian

Introduction to Buddhism

Introduction to Judaism

The Kabbalah

Introduction to Islam and Sufism

Introduction to Hinduism

Introduction to Ba'hai

Introduction to African Religions

Introduction to Sikh and Jain

Introduction to Shinto/Taoism/Confucism

Education and Teaching

Spiritual Guidelines for the Teacher

Adult Education Teaching Techniques

Youth Teaching Techniques

Theology Studies

Spiritual Ethics ☼

Spiritual Leadership

Spiritual Approach to Anger

Caregiving for the Spiritual Practitioner

Spiritual Practitioner's Approach to Grief and Death

A Historical and Theological Perspective on Paganism
Ethics, Morals, and Legalities of Ministerial Credentials
Creating an Ethical Spiritual Congregation
Performing Ministers Rites: Marriage, Funeral and Baptism

Personal Ministry Studies

A Working Guide for the Spiritual Minister
Your Personal Ministry
Meeting and Service Etiquette
Prayer and Meditation for the Spiritual Minister
Preventing Ministerial Litigation
Techniques of Effective Speaking

Pastoral Counseling Studies

Counseling for the Spiritual Minister
Introduction to Spiritual Counseling
A Spiritual Approach to Communication
Spiritual Philosophy of Counseling

Temple Management and Administration Studies

Managing a Spiritual Center
Ushering and Greeting in the Spiritual Center