

6. Reiki- The University of Vermont

Reiki is a 'Japanese Art' often referred to as alternative medicine, it is a healing technique which bases itself on the idea that a therapist can activate and alter the natural healing processes of a patient through touch. Many people question the integrity of this technique as a means to alleviate pain given that the practice bases itself on the idea that all forms of life are surrounded by an energy field that cannot be seen by the naked eye or measured by any scientific instrument.

The practice is often discouraged by many 'serious' healthcare institutions as the practice is seen as a more spiritual approach rather than basing itself on actual science-related procedures. Whether or not this practice is either helpful or ethical is still up for the debate if you are interested in this specific practice. It is very hard to come by a university that will offer a degree in this clear-cut subject given the disputation that follows it. Many educational institutions fear that in offering this degree the integrity of their campus might be compromised.

7. Puppet Arts- University of Connecticut

Puppets are often seen as an antiquated form of entertainment, however puppetry is an art that has both historical and anthropological value within our society. Puppetry, as mentioned before, is an outmoded entertainment form that is believed to be at least 3000 years old. This form of art has evolved and like most forms of art have been modernized in order to keep up with the advancements of the century. Until fairly recently this was seen as a dying art form; freshly brought back into the eyes of the public through the popular children's show *Sesame Street*.

One of the cast members who plays the role of Big Bird revealed that they make about \$314,000 a year given the public a different view of the art form itself, proving once again that money makes the world go round. Students exposed to this academic path are constantly involved in workshops and the different techniques utilized in the world of Puppets. Even though it is not a very common career there is proof that if exposed correctly a lot of profit can be made in the industry.

8. Logic- Carnegie Mellon University

Also known as Pure and Applied Logic, this is an interdisciplinary program at Carnegie Mellon which is affiliated with the philosophy department. It consists of courses that range from algorithms to computational linguistics.