

Post-Secondary Adult Vocational Certificate in Massage Therapy Program Code 5281

Program Description: The Massage Therapy Program provides the student the opportunity to develop competency in technical skills through planned experiences in the classroom, laboratory, off-site clinical facilities, and at various community sites. Our state-of-the-art curriculum is both challenging and enjoyable as it develops a student's understanding of the therapeutic experience and encourages a high level of technical skill and sensitivity. The teaching format combines lectures, discussions, practical demonstrations, interactive exercises, videos, guest speakers, field trips, and supervised massage practice both on and off campus. Our curriculum is designed to meet a wide range of learning styles, as students are encouraged to identify and strengthen their strategies for success. The Massage Therapy Program is dedicated to developing therapists who are quality-minded and who will ultimately make unique contributions to the field of massage therapy.

Career Pathway: Health Sciences

Program Entrance Requirements: The PSAV Certificate in Massage Therapy is a limited access program. Admission to the college does not guarantee admission into the program. Students are required to complete a supplemental application and meet specific criteria. There are a limited number of students admitted to the program each year. Please refer to the Health Science Admissions information included in Appendix C of the catalog for specific admissions requirements. Students can also access admissions requirements online at www.broward.edu/healthsciences

Additional Program Information: Two cohorts of 20 students each are admitted. The cohort admitted in August attend classes during the day. The cohort admitted in January attend classes in the evening. Students must maintain a grade point average of 2.0 or higher and earn a grade of "C" or higher in all didactic courses, an "S" grade in all laboratory courses, and obtain TABE Assessment scores at or above the state mandated grade level-9th grade level for Math, 10th grade level for Reading and English.

A student who withdraws or is withdrawn from a Massage Therapy course shall refer to College Policy 6Hx2-5.33 and Procedure A6Hx2-5.33 on Re-entry into a Health Sciences Program and/or program guidelines. Reentry to a Program will be based upon space availability. Only one reentry will be allowed. The student receiving a grade of "D" or "F" in any course after reentry will result in permanent dismissal from the BC Massage Therapy program.

Related Industry Certifications: Upon completing this program, completers will be eligible to sit for the Florida Board of Massage required exam given by the Federation of State Massage Therapy Boards. www.FSMTB.org. Upon successful completion of the massage program and passing of the required exam, completers are eligible to apply to the Florida Board of Massage for a Massage Therapy License. www.floridasmassagetherapy.gov

Location(s): The program specific courses are only offered at the North Campus. The Health Science Certificate courses are only offered on the A. Hugh Adams Central Campus. Please consult the course schedule for specific semester locations. The Health Science Certificate courses should be completed prior to or by the end of Term I.

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Program Contact: Program contact information can be found at
www.broward.edu/academics/programs/massage/Pages/default.aspx

Related Programs at Broward College: N/A

Health Science Certificate Courses		Contact Hours
HCP0001	Health Careers Core Curriculum	75
HSC0405	Basic Life Support	4.5
HSC0591	HIV/AIDS	4
HSC0691	Domestic Violence	2
HSC0522	OSHA/TB	6
HSC0692	Prevention of Medical Errors	2

Programmatic Specific Courses		Contact Hours
MSS0001	Medical Ethics & Standards	16.5
MSS0150	Anatomy & Physiology of Body Systems	45
MSS0156	Anatomy & Physiology II	45
MSS0156L	Anatomy & Physiology II Lab	60
MSS0250	Introduction to Massage Therapy	15
MSS0250L	Introduction to Massage Therapy Lab	170
MSS0281	Allied Modalities	15
MSS0281L	Allied Modalities Lab	120
MSS0301	Hydrotherapy Modalities	15
MSS0301L	Hydrotherapy Modalities Lab*	45
MSS0803L	Massage Therapy Clinical Practicum	110

Total Program Clock Hours	750
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Notes: Many courses have specific pre-requisite and co-requisite requirements that must be followed. Students are encouraged to consult the Course Information Table for a detailed list of all requisite requirements.

Students are strongly encouraged to meet with an advisor to create an educational plan.