

Massage Therapy Program

PLACE AN "X" IN ONE OF THE FOLLOWING:

- FULL TIME –Days
 PART TIME – Evenings

Fall 20131

APPLICATION DEADLINE:

September 4, 2012



Palm Beach State at Boca Raton
3000 St Lucie Ave.
Boca Raton, FL 33431

Massage Therapy Program Office (561) 862-4722, 862-4720
Limited Access Program Office (561) 862- 4340

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Program Information

About the Program

The Massage Therapy Program is designed to prepare students for employment as licensed massage therapists. In a therapeutic training lab, a hydrotherapy lab and clinical environments, students practice Swedish massage as well as a variety of allied modalities in the lab and with clientele in a public student clinic. Students learn how to gather client information, assess client needs, perform client-centered massage sessions and complete the session with 'circle of communication' documentation. The mission of the Massage Therapy Program is to provide high quality, employment focused workforce training designed to meet the changing needs of our diverse community. Program completers are eligible to take the National Certification for Therapeutic Massage & bodyworkers examination for Florida State licensure. **Attendance at an Information Session is mandatory.** Please check the program website for dates and times <http://www.palmbeachstate.edu/MassageTherapy.xml>

Program Begins: October, 2012.

Choose one schedule: **Full time Day schedule:**

HSC0003 Health Care Concepts October 2, – November 16, 2012 Tuesday, Thursdays & Fridays 9a-1p

MSS0252 Massage Therapy I January 7 – February 22, 2013 Monday through Friday 8:00am-3:00pm

MSS0262 Massage Therapy II February 25 – April 30, 2013 Monday through Friday 8:00am-3:00pm

MSS0263 Massage Therapy III May 13 - July 17, 2013 Monday through Thursday 8:00am-3:30pm

Or **Part time Evening schedule:**

HSC0003 Health Care Concepts October 2 – December 13, 2012 Tuesdays & Thursdays 5-9pm

MSS0252 Massage Therapy I January 7 – April 11, 2013 Monday through Thursday 5:30pm-9:30pm

MSS0262 Massage Therapy II May 13 - August 5, 2013 Monday through Thursday 4:30pm-9:30pm

MSS0263 Massage Therapy III August 22 - December 12, 2013 Monday through Thursday 5:30pm-9:30pm

Program Length: 750 clock hours

Program Location: Boca Raton campus-BT139/Clinicals on campus-BT132

Course Sequence/Contact Hours:

| Course ID | Clock Hours |
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| HSC0003 Health Care Concepts | 78 |
| MSS0252 Massage Therapy I | 200 |
| MSS0262 Massage Therapy II | 235 |
| MSS0263 Massage Therapy III | 237 |
| TOTAL PROGRAM CLOCK HOURS | 750 |

What are the costs for the program?

The following costs are approximate and subject to change: In-state student (Florida Resident):\$2.40 per clock hour. Out of state student (Non-Florida Resident): \$9.41 per clock hour.

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| Tuition (In state residents) | \$1,800.00 (pay one course at a time) |
| Textbooks | \$ 472.75 |
| Miscellaneous (cap/gown) | \$ 590.00 (Uniforms, name badge, physical exam, criminal background check, drug screening, lab fees, |
| Total: | \$2,862.75 |

Is there Financial Aid? Financial aid is available for this program and it is recommended that you apply early. You can apply online at www.palmbeachstate.edu/FinancialAid.xml. Also, there are a limited number of scholarships through the College Foundation. Currently, all foundation Scholarships require the FAFSA, which may be filed on-line at www.fafsa.ed.gov.

What is the job outlook?

The outlook is excellent. With the high stress culture we live in and the results of touch research, massage therapy is in demand as healing and preventative modality. Salary ranges for licensed graduates of such programs vary by region. The licensed massage therapist can expect to enter the job market at approximately \$25,000-\$30,000 annually, with increases based on experience and specialization.

After graduation from the program, how can I further my education?

As a health profession, massage therapy requires career development with continuing education. Palm Beach State College offers Florida Board of Massage Therapy continuing education classes for licensed massage therapists. Online registration for continuing education courses: <http://www.palmbeachstate.edu/ccce.xml> and inquiries by phone: (561) 868-3548.

Requirements for Consideration for Selection

The following criteria must be completed and the relevant documentation submitted by the above application deadline. These criteria are established as the minimum to be eligible for placement in the selection pool. Meeting minimum criteria for selection does not guarantee admission to the Massage Therapy program. Final selection will be based on the applicant pool and space available. These criteria supersede any other information.

1. COMPLETE Palm Beach State College APPLICATION:

First-time Palm Beach State Students: Submit a completed Palm Beach State general application at www.FACTS.org (choose Admissions) pay the appropriate fee by the deadline date. This one-time fee is \$20 for U.S. citizens, \$30 (U.S. currency) for international students and is non-refundable. Be sure to insert your current and active e-mail address where requested; be specific regarding your program of study. Once submitted and processed, a confirmation page with conditions of admission will be sent to the e-mail address provided in the college application. Print the confirmation page and follow the instructions within.

Applicants must also submit the program application contained in this packet and submit to the Admissions office.

Non first-time Palm Beach State Students: Must complete the program application in this packet and submit to the Admissions office.

2. COMPLETE MASSAGE THERAPY APPLICATION:

Applicants must also submit the program application contained in this packet and submit to the Admissions Office. **Attendance at program information session is mandatory.**

ACADEMIC HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMA OR GED

Transcripts must be official and submitted to the **Palm Beach State College Admissions Office** proving a standard high school diploma, GED, or validated foreign equivalent. All applicants-new, current and college transfer students – must have their official high school or GED transcript on file at Palm Beach State College. You may download the transcript request form from our website at <http://www.palmbeachstate.edu/Transcripts.xml> (*transcripts are considered official if sent directly to Palm Beach State from the previous institution or hand-delivered in a sealed envelope sealed by the issuing institution*). Students who received a Florida GED can request their scores using the downloaded form at <http://www.palmbeachstate.edu/Transcripts.xml>. **Transcripts must be on file at the Palm Beach State College Admissions Office by the deadline date.**

COLLEGE TRANSCRIPTS

Official college transcripts from ALL post-secondary institutions attended must be submitted to Palm Beach State Admissions Office (*transcripts are considered official if sent directly to the college from the previous institution or hand-delivered in a sealed envelope sealed by the issuing institution*). You may download the transcript request form from our website at www.palmbeachstate.edu/Transcripts.xml. If you have attended college, Palm Beach State College still requires proof of a standard high school diploma, GED or validated foreign equivalent. Commercial evaluation of out of country transcripts is required and must be sent from an approved evaluating institution directly to Palm Beach State College. Information for approved evaluators is available at <http://www.palmbeachstate.edu/foreigntranscript.xml>. Transcripts must be on file at the Palm Beach State Admissions Office by the deadline date.

TEST OF ADULT BASIC EDUCATION (TABE)

All applicants must take the Test of Adult Basic Education (TABE), Survey, Level D prior to the application deadline date and must pass the TABE prior to program completion scoring 10th grade level in Reading and Language and 9th grade level in Math. Previously taken TABE tests are only valid if take within 2 years of the program start date. Please pay the cashier and report to the testing center (with photo ID and paid receipt) to arrange to take the exam. There is a fee for this exam. The Student Learning Center (SLC) at each college location provides TABE remediation courses for students who need additional skills to pass the TABE test. For more information, please call 561-868-3795, VPI lab Lake Worth or 561-862-4485, VPI lab Boca Raton.

EXEMPTIONS: Students with an A.A, A.S, A.A.S. degree or higher from a regionally accredited institution; students who have successfully completed the College Level Academic Skills Test (CLAST); or students who have already met the minimum cut scores, within the past two years, on the FCELPT (CPT), SAT1 or ACT-E, are exempt from the exam. Students must notify the Limited Access office of the exemption. Documentation required.

For TABE testing information call:

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| Belle Glade | (561) 993-1125 |
| Boca Raton | (561) 862-4330 |
| Lake Worth | (561) 868-3011 |
| Palm Beach Gardens | (561) 207-5359 |

For TABE remediation information call SLC:

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| Belle Glade | (561) 993-1148 |
| Boca Raton | (561) 862-4492 |
| Lake Worth | (561) 868-3795 |
| Palm Beach Gardens | (561) 207-5216 |

COURSE SUBSTITUTIONS:

Substitution requests for Health Care Concepts (HSC0003) must be made prior to the start of the program. If you have completed Introduction to Health Care Lecture and Lab (HSC1000/HSC1000L) with a C or better within the last five years, you will be exempt from taking Health Care Concepts (HSC0003). You must be current with AHA CPR for Healthcare Providers, Domestic Violence, and HIV/AIDS requirements. Use this link for request see more on Prior Learning requests: <http://www.palmbeachstate.edu/pla.xml>

After submitting your application:

Your criteria for selection can be viewed at www.palmbeachstate.edu/pantherweb.xml under the Icon for 'limited access application status'. Status and all communication will be sent to your **my.palmbeachstate.edu e-mail** account including all acceptance documentation.

ACCEPTANCE/REGISTRATION:

Applicants who are selected will be notified approximately two weeks after the deadline date. If an applicant is selected and does not complete the registration process, the applicant forfeits acceptance must reapply at the next cycle and is not guaranteed acceptance in any subsequent selection process. **All students selected have provisional acceptance until the following items are received:**

1. Palm Beach State College Health Sciences Medical Form; medical exam with physician clearance for good physical and mental health.
2. Palm Beach State College Health Sciences Process for Criminal Background Check (FDLE) (15 year check); student must be within the board of Massage Therapy regulations and have civil rights restored.
3. Palm Beach State College Health Sciences process for 10 panel Drug screen; must be negative.

The required paperwork must be completed and returned prior to the program manager prior to the start date or the student will be dropped from the program. After completions and submission of all required paperwork, the student will be formally accepted.

Other information provided with selection letter includes:

1. Course registration information.
2. Date and time of mandatory orientation.

Applicant Point System for Selection

After all eligibility requirements for placement into the selection pool have been satisfied and points awarded selection will be based on the highest point totals first. **In the event of ties for the remaining selection spots a lottery will be held for all applicants in the pool with equal points.** The following point system will be used for selection.

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| I. | <u>RESIDENCY STATUS</u> (based on application information) | |
| | Florida Resident for Tuition Purposes; Palm Beach County Resident | 2 |
| II. | <u>DEGREES RECEIVED</u> | |
| | College Degree (AAS, AS, AA, or higher) from a regionally-accredited institution. (5pt max) | |
| | AA, AS or AAS degree | 1 |
| | BA, BS, BAS | 2 |
| | MA or equivalent | 3 |
| | Doctor level | 5 |
| III. | <u>PROGRAM COMPLETER</u> | 3 |
| | Completion of an accredited health occupations program with minimum 150 clock hours; check FACTS.org for a list of accredited programs; must present official certificate of completion or transcript with posted certificate or degree to receive points. Additional certificates may include: Esthetician, Cosmetology, Reflexology and Equine/Animal Massage. | |
| IV. | <u>SCIENCES COURSES</u> | |
| | BSC2085 w/lab | 1 |
| | BSC2086 w/lab | 1 |
| | MAXIMUM POINTS POSSIBLE | 12 |

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IF AN APPLICANT IS SELECTED AND DOES NOT ENTER THE PROGRAM OR IS NOT SELECTED, THE APPLICANT MUST REAPPLY AND IS NOT GUARANTEED ACCEPTANCE IN ANY SUBSEQUENT SELECTION PROCESS.

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PLACE AN "X" NEXT TO ONE OF THE FOLLOWING:
 _____ Full time—Days _____ Part time—Evenings

Please Type or Print Clearly **PROGRAM OBJECTIVE- 5232**

1. Palm Beach State College STUDENT ID _____ - _____ - _____

2. NAME: _____
LAST FIRST MIDDLE SUFFIX

3. LOCAL ADDRESS:

NUMBER AND STREET ADDRESS CITY

COUNTY (or PROVINCE) STATE ZIP CODE

4. E-MAIL ADDRESS: _____ @ _____

5. HOME TELEPHONE: () _____ CELL PHONE () _____

6. DATE OF BIRTH ____/____/____
MM DD YY

7. HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATE? Yes No OR GED? Yes No

8. COLLEGE/UNIVERSITY

List all postsecondary colleges or universities you have enrolled. Omission of any constitutes falsification of records and voids application.

TRANSCRIPTS—Official transcript sent directly to Palm Beach State College or hand delivered in a sealed envelope from issuing school/agency. All applicants, including college transfers, must submit high school or GED transcripts directly to Palm Beach State College. College transfer students must submit official transcripts from all colleges in which applicant has enrolled. If any of your transcripts, test scores, etc., might arrive under any names other than those listed above, enter names here:

| NAME OF INSTITUTION | CITY/STATE | DATES | DEGREE | CREDIT |
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To list more colleges/ universities, attach a separate page.

9. HAVE YOU TAKEN THE TABE TEST? Yes No -- Date of testing _____ (cannot be more than 2 years old)

10. TRANSCRIPTS FROM ANY MASSAGE THERAPY PROGRAMS? Yes No
 (If yes, a letter of good standing is required from previous program.)

11. DO YOU HAVE FOREIGN TRANSCRIPTS IN A MASSAGE THERAPY PROFESSION? Yes No
 If yes, you must have a course-by-course commercial evaluation from an accredited company performed and mailed directly to Palm Beach State College. (Information on accredited companies at this link: <http://www.palmbeachstate.edu/transcripts.xml>)

I understand that falsification or omission of any information may result in my dismissal or rejection from the College. I have read and understand all of the instructions pertaining to the Massage Therapy program as explained in the packet.

 SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT DATE

Edited: 4/2/2012