



## MASSAGE THERAPY

### HOW TO REACH US:

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#### CAREER OPPORTUNITIES:

- Massage Clinics
- Spas
- Day Spas
- Physical Therapy/Rehabilitation Centers
- Doctors'/Chiropractors' offices
- Hospital/Hospice setting
- Cruise ships/Vacation resorts
- Private Practice
- Spas
- Day Spas

#### IT'S A FACT:

Nearly 70% of Washington State College of Ohio students receive financial aid.

#### THE PROGRAM:

Massage Therapists are growing in number and demand, as people are seeking good health and alternative and complementary ways to prevent diseases and disorders of the human body. Touch is very healing, especially when practiced by a trained and caring therapist. A good massage therapist will apply skills using a variety of massage techniques and knowledge based on human anatomy, physiology, and the pathology of human disease.

Massage Therapists can provide relief from all types of pain, including headaches, musculoskeletal pain, arthritis, fibromyalgia, and injuries from sports or car accidents. They can also reduce a person's stress level, which will help a person improve in many aspects of their life, from home to work. Massage complements many other forms of health care, including chiropractic, physical therapy, and modern medicine in all settings from cancer centers to outpatient surgeries.

The Massage Therapy program is offered as a 1-year full-time day program. A grade of "C" or above is required in all courses. Graduates of the program receive a certificate of completion and are eligible to sit for the MBLEX test. To become a Licensed Massage Therapist in Ohio, you must pass the MBLEX and apply with the State Medical Board, which you will need to legally practice massage therapy in this state.

**The massage therapy program is in good standing with the Ohio Medical Board.**

If you wish to obtain an associate's degree, you can easily add the Associate of Science Curriculum, which would extend the length of the program to approximately two years.

#### CAREER SKILLS:

Massage Therapists manipulate soft tissues of the body to treat diseases and disorders of the human body. Massage also helps to decrease stress, promote relaxation, relieve pain, and increase overall wellness. You may work with the very healthy, active, and physically fit athletes to average people of all age ranges, including newborns, children, working adults, pregnant women, geriatrics, the unhealthy, and the terminally ill. You must be comfortable with touch. To provide touch, you must also be comfortable with receiving touch. Touch is very healing and is an art form in which no two massage therapists are identical; no two patients will require the same form of massage treatment, nor will the same person require the same treatment from one treatment session to the next. So as a massage therapist, you must be flexible, knowledgeable, caring, have compassion for other human beings, and have a passion for medical-based knowledge & skills. Because you are working with clients at a somewhat intimate level, where they may feel vulnerable, you must treat them respectfully and provide privacy and confidentiality.

#### ADMISSION TO THE PROGRAM:

Admission to the massage therapy program is limited and awarded on a selective basis.

#### ENTRANCE REQUIREMENTS:

1. Complete the application for admission to **Washington State College of Ohio**
2. Complete the application form for the **Massage Therapy program**
3. Submit an official high school transcript or GED certificate, and official transcripts from any college(s) attended
4. Submit three (3) non-family references
5. Submit an essay about why you want to become a Massage Therapist
6. **\*Personal interview** with the Massage Therapy program coordinator (prior to acceptance into the MT program)
7. Physical Examination after acceptance into the program.

**\* Before being accepted into the Massage Therapy program, students are required to complete a personal interview with the Program Coordinator. This interview plays an important role in the acceptance process as it is part of determining program admission.**

- Applications will be accepted September 1<sup>st</sup> – April 1<sup>st</sup>. Applicants are encouraged to apply early.



**Massage Therapy Certificate**

**Estimated Costs for 2026-2027**

*In-state Tuition: \$170.00    Out-of-state Tuition: \$ 171.00*

**Semester I: (Fall 2026)**

Credit Hours:	17
Tuition:	\$2,890.00
Books:	\$600.00
Lab Coat/Goggles:	\$50.00
Uniform Fee:	\$100.00
Exam Fees:	<u>\$120.00</u>
	<b>\$3,760.00</b>

**Semester II: (Spring 2027)**

Credit Hours:	17
Tuition:	\$2,890.00
Books:	\$650.00
Lab Coat/Goggles:	\$50.00
MBLEX Exam Fee:	\$265.00
Lab Fees:	<u>\$245.00</u>
	<b>\$4,100.00</b>

<b>Total Credit for Certificate:</b>	<b>34</b>
<b>Total (In-state):</b>	<b>\$7,860.00</b>

***This information is only an estimate of the approximate cost for three semesters and is based on current costs and fees.***

<b>MASSAGE THERAPY CERTIFICATE*</b>  <b>STUDENT:</b> _____ <b>PHONE #:</b> _____	To be eligible for graduation, a student <b>must complete all</b> courses listed below with a passing grade of "C" or better <b>and</b> maintain a cumulative GPA of at least 2.0.  <i>Revised. 6.25.2025</i>
	<b>SUBJECT TO CHANGE WITHOUT NOTICE</b>

COURSE	CREDIT HOURS	SEMESTER TAKEN	GRADE
<b>GENERAL EDUCATION COURSES (10 Credits)</b>			
BIOL 1350 Anatomy & Physiology for Massage Therapists	4	_____	_____
BIOL 2450 Pathophysiology	3	_____	_____
<b>Or/</b>			
HLTH 1420 Intro to Human Disease	3	_____	_____
HLTH 1800 Medical Terminology	3	_____	_____
<b>TECHNICAL COURSES (24 Credits)</b>			
MAST 1370 Functional Anatomy& Kinesiology	3	_____	_____
MAST 137L Functional Anatomy & Kinesiology Lab	1	_____	_____
MAST 1510 Massage Technique I	3	_____	_____
MAST 1516 Business for Massage Therapists	2	_____	_____
MAST 1520 Massage Technique II	3	_____	_____
MAST 2480 Orthopedic Assessment & Documentation	4	_____	_____
MAST 2550 Massage Therapy Directed Practice	2	_____	_____
MAST 2840 Massage Therapy Capstone	4	_____	_____
MAST 2850 Building an Ethical MT Practice	2	_____	_____
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**A grade of "C" or above is required in all courses. All substitutions must be approved on the course substitution sheet.**

## MASSAGE THERAPY CERTIFICATE

(One year, day course)

### SEMESTER 1 FALL 2026

BIOL 1350	Anatomy & Physiology for Massage Therapists	(4) 4-0
<b><u>16 Weeks</u></b>		
HLTH 1800	Medical Terminology	(3) 3-0
MAST 1510	Massage Techniques I	(3) 2-3
MAST 1516	Business for Massage Therapists	(2) 2-0
<b><u>1<sup>st</sup> 8 Weeks</u></b>		
MAST 1520	Massage Techniques II	(3) 2-3
MAST 2850	Building an Ethical Massage Therapy Practice	(2) 2-0
<b><u>2<sup>nd</sup> 8 Weeks</u></b>		

### SEMESTER 2 SPRING 2027

MAST 1370	Functional Anatomy & Kinesiology	(3) 3-0
MAST 137L	Functional Anatomy & Kinesiology Lab	(1) 0-3
<b><u>16 Weeks</u></b>		
BIOL 2450	Pathophysiology	(3) 3-0
<b><u>1<sup>st</sup> 8 Weeks</u></b>		
<u>Or</u>		
HLTH 1420	Intro to Human Disease	(3) 3-0
MAST 2480	Orthopedic Assessment & Documentation	(4) 3-2
<b><u>2<sup>nd</sup> 8 Weeks</u></b>		
MAST 2550	Massage Therapy Directed Practice	(2) 1-5
MAST 2840	Massage Therapy Capstone	(4) 4-0