

Therapeutic Massage Program Associate Degree

Newport County Campus • Applications for Fall 2017-19 • TMSG

Program start date: Fall • Evening/Weekend program

Admissions Guidelines

Minimum requirements to apply to the Therapeutic Massage program:

1. **CCRI application** – Submit a completed CCRI Application for Enrollment. General Studies should be first choice, TMSG should be second choice.
2. **High school transcript** – Send an official copy of a transcript from an accredited high school or GED certification, including date of graduation. If the applicant holds a baccalaureate degree from an accredited college/university, the high school transcript may be waived; college transcript must indicate completion and degree awarded.
3. **Placement testing** – Complete the required standardized test (ACCUPLACER) issued by CCRI through the Department of Advising and Counseling.
 - a. Demonstrate competency at MATH 1420 level by placing into MATH 1420 through the standardized test (ACCUPLACER) or completion of MATH 0500 with a “C” or better. The following courses will substitute for MATH 1420: MATH 1200, 1210, 1430, 1470, 1475, 1550, 1560, 1670, 1680, 1700, 1710, 1900, 1910, 1920, 2910. (Highest grade earned in any of these courses will be calculated in the point system)
 - b. Complete a standardized test (ACCUPLACER) issued by CCRI through the Office of Advising & Counseling. Competency of 75 or above is required for reading comprehension or completion of ENGL 0890. Critical Reading with a grade of “B-“ or better.
4. **Prerequisite courses** – Completion of the following courses with a grade of “C” or better:
(These courses are limited to two attempts)
BIOL 1070 - Anatomy and Physiology or both BIOL 1010 and BIOL 1020
TMSG 1000 - Introduction to Therapeutic Massage
RHAB 1010 - Medical Terminology for Rehabilitative Health
RHAB 1100 - Foundational Kinesiology
ENGL 1010 - Composition I (ENGL 1300 will not substitute for ENGL 1010).
Students must be 18 years of age or older to register for TMSG 1000 – Introduction to Therapeutic Massage.
5. **GPA** – A cumulative grade point average of 2.0 or better for all college courses taken.
6. **Note: All attempts prior to Aug. 31, 2016, including transfers, are considered to be ONE attempt regardless of the number of times the class was taken.**
7. **Degree evaluation** – Complete Preadmission Degree Evaluation.
8. **Health Sciences application** – Complete and submit performance based Health Science application. Please note the Performance Criteria located on the back of this form. The application and instructions can be found at www.ccri.edu/oes/admissions/index.html.

All the above requirements must be completed satisfactorily BEFORE submission of the Performance-Based Health Sciences application and do not guarantee acceptance to the program. Students declining acceptance into the program for the semester offered must resubmit a Performance-Based Health Sciences application for the program and meet the current admission requirements for the application period in which they reapply. Once accepted into Therapeutic Massage Degree Program, the student must attend a mandatory orientation conducted by the Rehabilitative Health Department.

Technical Standards: The physical activity level for the Massage Therapist is classified as “medium” by the Department of Labor in the Dictionary of Occupational Titles. Students must have the ability to perform essential physical skills and demonstrate the cognitive and behavioral skills or be able to perform those using compensatory techniques and/or adaptive devices. These essential skills can be found at http://www.ccri.edu/massage/therapy/essential_skills.html

Students are required to submit background check when directed by notification from Enrollment Services. Final acceptance to the program is dependent on the results of the background check. Anyone convicted of a crime may be unable to attend filed placements.

General policies following acceptance and prior to beginning the program:

- Students must have completed a physical examination and required immunizations completed.
- Students also must have a current CPR card (American Heart Association, Health Care Provider Level) obtained through an American Heart Association recognized community training center (CCRI offers this course - HEAL 0200.)
- Students must also have a current First Aid Certification.
- Students must be able to perform basic massage techniques and demonstrate the ability to give and receive a therapeutic massage treatment.

For more information; visit www.ccri.edu/dean-hrs/admiss-docs.html or contact Office of Enrollment Services, Warwick Campus: Susan Barrett, 401-825-2084, sbarrett@ccri.edu. If more specific information is needed, contact Regina Cobb, Therapeutic Massage program director, at 401-851-1672 or rmcobb@ccri.edu.

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TMSG Associate Degree Program Admission Criteria Point System

The performance-based acceptance process is based on the performance indicators identified for the TMSG Program. A point system has been assigned to each of the performance criteria listed in the admissions information on the CCRI Web site.

The criteria will include:

- Program GPA consisting of grades from COMM 1100, MATH 1420, PSYC 2010, PSYC 2030, elective
- Prerequisite GPA consisting of grades from BIOL 1070, ENGL1010, RHAB 1100, RHAB 1010, TMSG 1000
- Grades for required general education courses completed
- Grades in prerequisite courses BIOL 1070, ENGL 1010, RHAB 1100, RHAB 1010, TMSG 1000
- Reading score

Average program and prerequisite GPA

Average GPA X 10

Example: $3.67 \times 10 = 36.7$

Points

Maximum 40

Grades in the prerequisite courses using the following scale:

A = 40 points B = 30 points C = 20 points

A- = 37 points B- = 27 points

B+ = 33 points C+ = 23 points

- Grade in BIOL 1070
- Grade in ENGL 1010
- Grade in RHAB 1100
- Grade in RHAB 1010
- Grade in TMSG 1000

Maximum 200

Number of general education courses completed using the grading scale above. Multiply grade earned in general education courses by .125.

COMM 1100

MATH 1420

PSYC 2010

PSYC 2030

Elective

Maximum 25

Reading score

ACCUPLACER Score of 95 to $120 \div 3$ OR 31.6-40 points (Example: ACCUPLACER score $95 \div 3 = 31.6$)

Bachelor's degree OR 40

ENGL 0890 Grade of A OR 40

Maximum point total

210 points

In the event of a tie in the performance rating, students who have completed RHAB 1100: Foundational Kinesiology will receive preference over those who have not. In the event of a tie, grades will also be considered for the required general education courses that are completed. Students will receive points for grades in these courses using the scale used for the prerequisite courses.

Maximum tie-breaker points

160 points

- Grade in COMM 1100
- Grade in MATH 1420
- Grade in PSYC 2010
- Grade in PSYC 2030

Credits granted through AP, CLEP, challenge exams or assessment for prior learning will be recognized as satisfying course requirements and will be assigned points equivalent to a "B."

Please review the Department of Health website at www.health.ri.gov/licenses/healthcare/index.php to learn about licensing requirements for the health sciences professions.

Please Note: A Social Security number may be required to begin the licensing process for the health sciences professions.