

MASSAGE THERAPY PROGRAM

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Greetings!

Do you want to:

-  Learn an ancient healing art that can relieve the stressful effects of living in a modern world?
-  Enrich your life and the lives of others using massage techniques you can share with friends and family?
-  Learn vocational skills that can lead to satisfying employment in a variety of settings?
-  Receive several massages every week during class?

If you answered “Yes” to any of these questions, we encourage you to consider enrolling in the Monterey Peninsula College (MPC) Massage Therapy Program (MTP).

The Massage Therapy Program at Monterey Peninsula College offers quality training in therapeutic massage. The training is based on a Western approach that is founded on the theory and practice of therapeutic massage and grounded in sound anatomic and physiologic considerations. Although MTP students will be required to demonstrate their ability to learn and understand this approach, the massage therapy courses at MPC emphasize the humanitarianism inherent in the massage therapy profession and an appreciation of massage as an ancient healing art with a long and illustrious history throughout the world. The qualified instructors strive to provide an open, safe, friendly, professional, nurturing, and compassionate learning environment.

The MTP is an affordable way for you to gain the entry-level knowledge and skills you need in order to embark on a career as a practitioner of the healing art of therapeutic massage. Students can save hundreds and even thousands of dollars over the cost of similar training programs at private schools. For example, tuition at MPC for California residents is currently \$26 per unit. The cost for Californians pursuing the Massage Practitioner certificate is therefore \$312 (the cost to a non-California resident is \$2280, since MPC non-resident tuition is currently \$190 per unit). The tuition for earning a Certificate of Achievement: California residents and non-residents will pay about \$780 and \$5700 respectively. The Associate degree tuition for California residents and non-residents is \$1560 and \$11,400 respectively. These tuition figures are based on unit fees only and do not include books, materials, parking fees, or other fees.

MPC is located in Monterey on the Monterey Peninsula, home of Cannery Row, Fisherman’s Wharf and the Monterey Bay Aquarium. Monterey sits on the southern end of Monterey Bay, around which are scattered lovely towns such as Pacific Grove, Carmel, Pebble Beach, and Santa Cruz. Acknowledged by many as one of the most beautiful areas on earth because of the abundance of awe-inspiring natural resources, the Peninsula serves as gateway to places such as Point Lobos State Reserve, Big Sur, Los Padres National Forest and Ventana Wilderness (over 200,000 acres). There are tens of thousands of acres of county and state parks, and the Carmel, Arroyo Seco and Big Sur are splendid rivers. Some of the activities that students can look forward in their spare time include camping, hiking, biking, rollerblading, surfing, rock climbing, hanging out at local beaches or coffee shops, dancing and listening to a wide variety of music at local clubs, going to movies, attending theater and classical music concerts, perusing art galleries, shopping, and enjoying cuisine from local eateries among which are many world-class restaurants.

We hope that you will join us at MPC, where we are committed to offering quality massage therapy training in a safe, ethical and professional atmosphere.