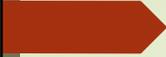




Is Therapeutic Massage a career for
YOU?

- ▶ Take a look at what it can offer...



✓ Work in a field that is...



- **Growing**...much faster (22%) than the average for all occupations according to the US Dept. of Labor, and the AMTA*
- **Popular**...50 million adult Americans (20%) had at least one massage in 2015-2016
- **Wanted for Health**...Most (77%) massage consumers get massage for health reasons, such as reducing stress, treating pain, recovering from injury or staying well
- **Recommended by Doctors**... 56% of massage consumers say their doctors have recommended it (up from 53% in 2013)

*American Massage Therapy Association consumer survey at www.amtamassage.org



Massage therapists who work full time
have even greater earning potential
...\$50,000 or more

*American Massage Association Industry Fact Sheet at
www.amtamassage.org
**US Bureau of Labor Statistics

✓ A Satisfying job with Excellent Income potential

According to the latest survey information from
ATMA*, massage in the U.S. in 2016 was an
\$12.1 billion industry.

Therapists nationwide work an average of
18 hrs/week
providing hands-on massage

The median wage for therapists nationwide,
\$20/hr**

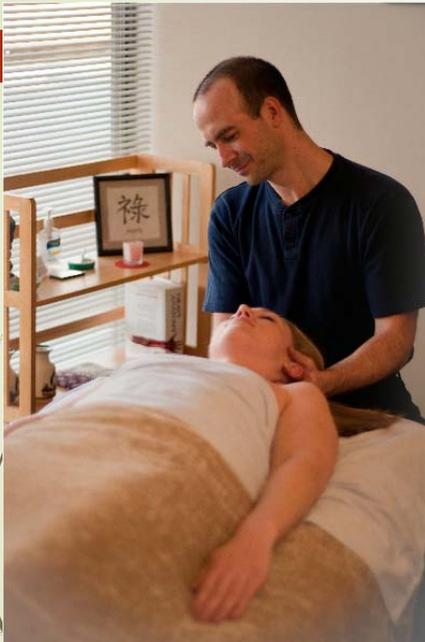
Overall, the median annual income for massage
therapists (most working part-time) in 2016 was about
\$39,860 per year



✓ Business Options

You may decide to be *Self-Employed*, the *sole proprietor* of your own business, in charge of your own work schedule and massage style
(60% of therapists are sole proprietors)

Or you may prefer to be an *Employee* of a massage franchise or other massage provider.
This can be a great option, especially when just starting a career.



✓ Workplace Options

Massage therapists work in a wide variety of settings, focusing on the type of massage they enjoy most.

You might work in a studio
in your own home....

...or in a
corporate
office
downtown.



...If you enjoy doing rehabilitative and deep tissue massage, you may choose to work at a fitness center or health care facility

(25% of massage therapists work in a health care setting)



... Or you may prefer the serene environment and well-stocked treatment rooms of a local **spa**

Spa therapists usually learn specialized treatments like body wraps and other types of hydrotherapy.

Most spa menus offer a wide range of massage options



✓ Working with people

As a massage therapist, you can expect to meet new people every week...clients of *all body types, ages, and wellness levels*.



A good therapist also gets to know many regular clients.

Helping a client meet their wellness goal —whether that's running a marathon or just getting through chemo— is one of the most rewarding aspects of the profession.



What You Bring to the Table

Successful students share these traits:

- ▶ Enthusiasm for learning
- ▶ Respect for personal & professional boundaries
- ▶ Willingness to seek, give, and apply feedback
- ▶ Non-judgmental attitude
- ▶ Appreciation and respect for diversity



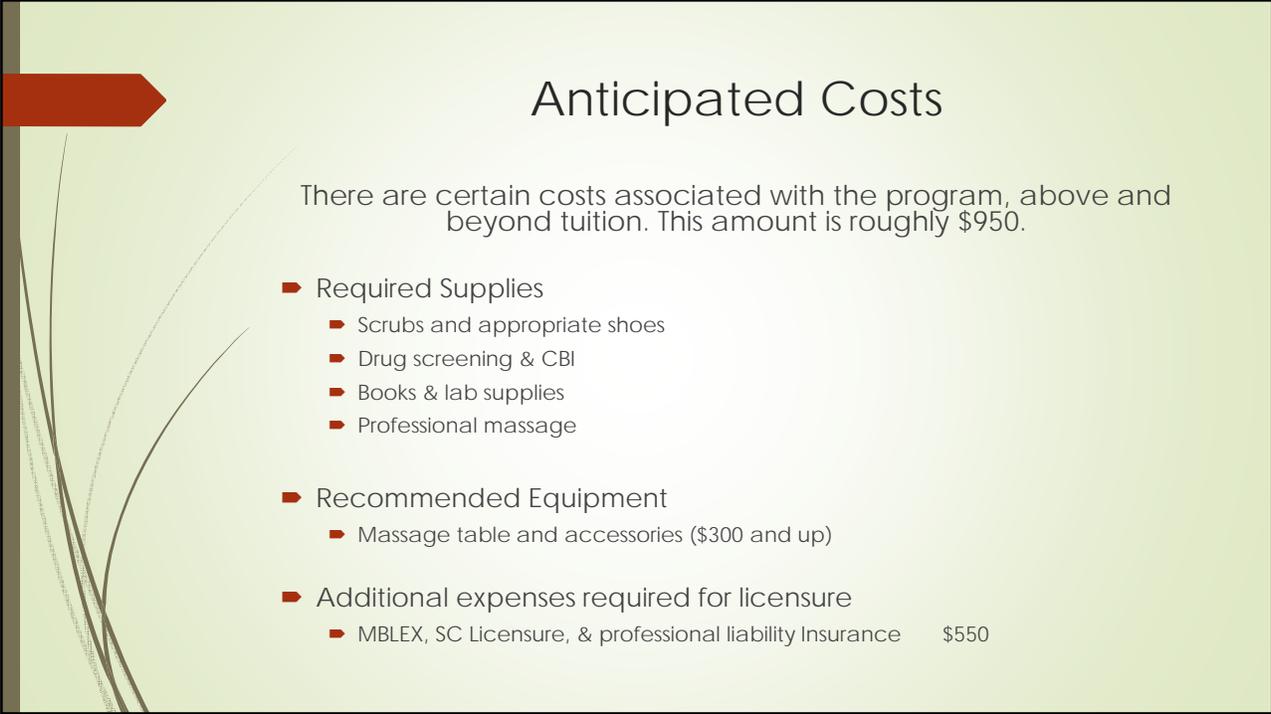
Completion of the Therapeutic Massage program at SCC provides you the following:

- Massage Therapy Certificate (31 credits), or
Associate Degree in Applied Science (AAS)
Completion of the AAS requires 60 credit hrs
- Entry-level Skills and Knowledge
- Education required for state licensure as a massage therapist
- Eligibility to take the MBLEx
"Massage and Bodywork Licensing Exam"



Therapeutic Massage Core Courses

- Introduction to Massage
- Principles of Massage I and II
- Anatomy & Physiology (AHS-104)
- A&P for Massage I
- Pathology
- Kinesiology
- Massage Clinic
- Business
- Externship



Anticipated Costs

There are certain costs associated with the program, above and beyond tuition. This amount is roughly \$950.

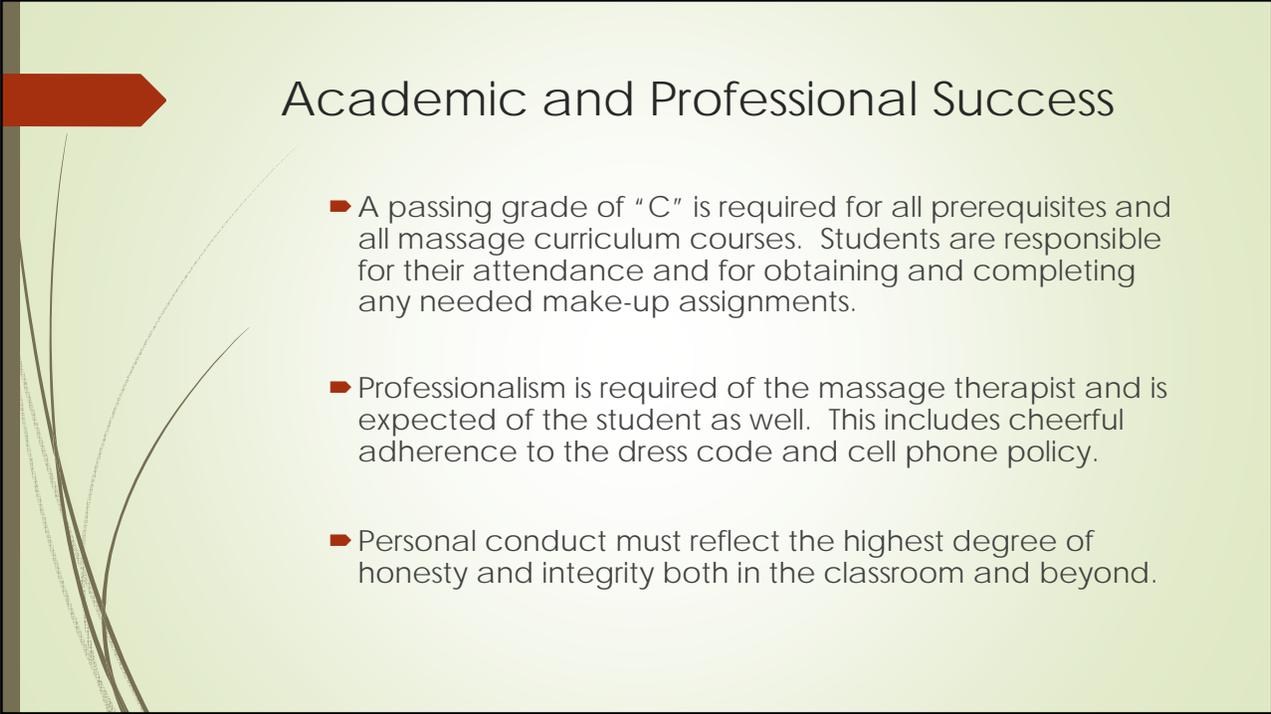
- Required Supplies
 - Scrubs and appropriate shoes
 - Drug screening & CBI
 - Books & lab supplies
 - Professional massage
- Recommended Equipment
 - Massage table and accessories (\$300 and up)
- Additional expenses required for licensure
 - MBLEX, SC Licensure, & professional liability Insurance \$550



Health and Human Services Division Requirements

Certain health and background screenings are required for all students accepted into a Health Science program.

- ▶ Health History Form
- ▶ Criminal Background Investigation (CBI)
- ▶ Drug Test
- ▶ Lab Training Library



Academic and Professional Success

- A passing grade of "C" is required for all prerequisites and all massage curriculum courses. Students are responsible for their attendance and for obtaining and completing any needed make-up assignments.
- Professionalism is required of the massage therapist and is expected of the student as well. This includes cheerful adherence to the dress code and cell phone policy.
- Personal conduct must reflect the highest degree of honesty and integrity both in the classroom and beyond.