

# Massage Therapy Programs

Kingston University offers two Massage Technician programs, 600 hours and 1,000 hours. The Massage Technician 600-Hour program prepares students with knowledge and skills to become competent massage therapy professionals in the field. The Massage Technician 1000-hour program upgrades graduates from the 600-Hour program with additional therapeutic massage modules and clinical analysis skills.

Upon successful completion of a program, students will become certified massage therapists and ready to begin their professional career in therapeutic massage in broad settings such as chiropractic, physical therapy, orthopedic rehabilitation clinics, health spas, luxurious hotel, resort and cruise, beauty salons, or as a private practitioner or teacher.



## Program Requirement

1. Complete all course and training hour required for the Massage Technician programs (please refer to the current University Catalog for course detail information)
2. Performance Evaluation Requirements  
Students must satisfactorily PASS the following requirements:
  - (i) All writing tests as required by the instructors
  - (ii) Performance tests to demonstrate competency in each massage skill module training
  - (iii) All other assignments and tests as required by the instructors

## State Licensure Requirement

Students should note the minimum training hours and program content required by each states for licensure. A new California Massage Law, the Massage Therapy Act (Assembly Bill 1147), has been approved in September 2014 and codified at California Business and Professions Code section 460, 4600-4621 and Government Code section 51034. According to the Act, effective January 1, 2015, the California Massage Therapy Council will only accept Certified Massage Therapist (CMT) applicants who complete a minimum of 500 hours of training from a CAMTC approved school and passed a CAMTC approved exam. **Attendance and /or graduation from a California Massage Therapy Council approved school does not guarantee certification by CAMTC. Applicants for certification shall meet all requirements as listed in California Business and Professions Code sections 4600 et.seq.**

Students may visit the official website of CAMTC at [www.camtc.org](http://www.camtc.org) for detail of certification requirements and/or obtain a full text of the Massage Therapy Act.

Kingston University is an Assigned School (Code: 490019-05) by the National Certification Board for Therapeutic Massage and Bodyworks (NCBTMB). Graduates of the Massage Technician 1000-hour Training Program will be eligible to sit for the Board Certification Exam. Further information can be obtained by contacting NCBTMB listed at [www.ncbtmb.org](http://www.ncbtmb.org).

## Admission Requirements

Students desiring admission to the massage therapy programs must meet the following requirements:

1. Having completed high school or education equivalent to postsecondary level or above.
2. Applicants must be 18 years of age or older.
3. Submission of an application and a non-refundable application fee.