MASSAGE THERAPY | ASSOCIATE OF GENERAL STUDIES (MASSAGE THERAPY PROGRAM EMPHASIS)

The Associate degree in General Studies (AGS) with an emphasis in Massage Therapy is a two-year program. By completing this program, students will be able to set and meet short-term education goals and can easily move on to achieving a four-year degree of their choice. Students gain critical-thinking, problem-solving, math and communication skills that are necessary in a Massage Therapy or related career.

When you graduate with an AGS degree you'll be well prepared to pursue a four-year degree or enter the work force. Associate degree holders typically earn more than those without any degree, plus having an associate degree on your resume shows future employers you've set goals and accomplished them.

Students who earn the AGS degree with an emphasis in Massage Therapy receive the value-added bonus of concurrently earning the Massage Therapy Certificate.

General Education Program Requirements

Code	Title	Hours		
Foundation Studies				
COMM 100	Fundamentals of Oral Communication	3		
INF 101	Introduction to Computer Information Systems	3		
ENG 101	English Composition I	3		
ENG 102	English Composition II	3		
MATH 101	Contemporary Mathematics	3		
or MATH 110	College Algebra			
Liberal Arts				
International Studies	International Studies. Select one of the following:			
ENG 125	World Literature and the Human Experience			
GSCI 110	World Geography			
HIST 111	Modern World Civilization			
Distribution. Select 1	8 credits of Distribution courses ¹	18		
Humanities				
Select 6 credits of the area):	e following (no more than one course in each	6		
Art				
ART 180	Fundamentals and Appreciation of Art			
ART 201	Survey of Art History I			
ART 280	Approaches to Creativity			
Communication Studies				
COMM 125	Introduction to Motion Pictures			
COMM 318	Introduction to Organizational Communication			
English				
ENG 125	World Literature and the Human Experience			
ENG 126	Introduction to Literature			
ENG 327	Literature Matters			

	Modern Language		
Beginning 1 or 2 course(s) in any language ²			
	MLNG 112	Great Works in Translation	
	Multiculturalism		
	SOC 376	Diversity in the United States	
	Music		
	MUS 161	Listening to Music	
	MUS 391	Jazz	
	THTR 120	Introduction to Theatre	
	Philosophy		
	PHIL 100	Critical Thinking	
	PHIL 120	Introduction to Philosophy	
	PHIL 340	Ethics	
М	athematics and Nat	tural Sciences	
	elect 6 credits of the ea):	e following (no more than one course in each	6
	Biological Science	s	
	BIOL 100	Human Biology ³	
	BIOL 102	Laboratory Experiences in Biology	
	BIOL 200	Humans and the Environment ³	
	BIOL 300	Human Heredity ³	
	Chemistry		
	CHEM 100	The Chemist's View of the World	
	CHEM 105	Introduction to the Chemistry Laboratory	
	CHEM 112	General Chemistry I	
	& 112L	and General Chemistry Laboratory I ⁴	
	CHEM 114 & 114L	General Chemistry II and General Chemistry Laboratory II ⁴	
	Geosciences		
	GSCI 100	Exploring Earth ³	
	GSCI 101	Earth and Environmental Systems	
	GSCI 102	Exploring Earth Laboratory	
	GSCI 340	Humans, Rocks, and the Environment ³	
	Mathematics and	Computer Science	
	MATH 234	Analytic Geometry and Calculus I	
	MATH 250	Elements of Statistics	
	MATH 331	Calculus Methods	
	Physics		
	PHYS 102	Physical Science	
	PHYS 103	Physical Science Laboratory	
	PHYS 208	Elementary Meteorology ³	
	PHYS 309	Descriptive Astronomy ³	
S	ocial and Behaviora	Sciences	
Se	elect 6 credits of the	e following (no more than one course in each	6
ar	ea):		
	Economics		
	ECON 201	Principles of Microeconomics	
	ECON 202	Principles of Macroeconomics	
	FIN 205	Principles of Personal Finance	
	History		
	HIST 110	World Civilization to 1500	
	HIST 130	United States History to 1877	
	HIST 131	United States History Since 1877	

Total Hours		66
Select 12 credits of free electives		12
Free Electives		
SOC 388	Sociology of the Family in America	
SOC 355	Sociology of Death and Dying	
SOC 140	Understanding Society: Introductory Sociology	
Sociology		
PSY 340	Social Psychology	
PSY 300	Abnormal Psychology	
PSY 100	General Psychology	
Psychology		
POLS 105	Current Political Issues	
POLS 230	Introduction to International Relations	
POLS 101	American Government	
Political Science		
IDS 350/SOC 376	Diversity in the United States	
Multiculturalism		

Course areas used to complete requirements under International Studies allow a student to take only 1 additional course in that area under distribution for General Education credit.

Certificate Requirements

Course	Title	Hours
First Semester		
MTP 100	Basic Massage Techniques (On-Campus)	2
MTP 102	MT Fiscal Mgt/Ethical Practices (VA: Virtual)	2
MTP 104	Structural Anatomy for Massage Therapy (VA: Virtual)	2
MTP 106	MT Body Structure/ Function I (VA: Virtual)	2
MTP 108	Massage Lab I (On-Campus)	4
MTP 110	Massage Clinic I (On-Campus)	2
	Hours	14
Second Semester		
MTP 120	Advanced Massage Techniques (On-campus)	2
MTP 122	Pathophysiology for Massage Therapy (VA: Virtual)	3
MTP 124	Functional Kinesiology for Massage Therapy (VA: Virtual)	2
MTP 126	MT Structure/Function II (VA: Virtual)	2
MTP 128	Massage Lab II (On-campus)	4
MTP 130	Massage Clinic II (On-campus)	2
MTP 150	Externship for Massage Therapy (On-site)	3
	Hours	18
	Total Hours	32

Degree Requirements

All associate degrees require:

GPA of 2.0 on FHSU courses $\&\,2.0$ on all coursework (Higher program requirements prevail over the 2.0 when set)

A minimum of 15 hours earned from FHSU with a grade of D, C, B, or A

May not be used as General Education for students earning the B.A. degree.

³ Course can be completed with optional 1 hr lab.

⁴ Course fulfills 1 hr lab requirement.