



CAREER PATH

Human Services

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Personal Care Services



MASSAGE THERAPIST

Massage customers for hygienic or remedial purposes.

Knowledge and Skills Needed

In addition to courses required for high school graduation, essential skills and knowledge needed for a career as a massage therapist are reinforced by taking rigorous and relevant courses, as well as participating in work-based experiences and student organization activities.

(See the Sample Personal Plan of Study for suggested coursework, activities, and knowledge and skills to pursue in preparation of an occupation in this Career Cluster.)

Education Requirements

Occupation	Percent of Missouri employees aged 25 to 44 in the occupation whose highest level of educational attainment is:		
	High School or Less	Some College	Bachelor Degree or More
Massage therapists	18.7%	49.1%	32.2%
Other Healthcare Support Occupations	29.5%	57.5%	12.9%
Healthcare Support	28.4%	58.4%	13.2%

Most Common Educational Level: Postsecondary vocational award

Note: Be sure to learn whether your occupation has a specific requirement for education or licensing. Apprenticeships are available for more than 240 occupations. Visit www.oe.doleta.gov/bat.cfm

National and State Wage Information

Location	Pay Period	2006		
		Entry*	Median	Experienced**
United States	Hourly	\$10.98	\$16.06	\$24.22
	Yearly	\$22,800	\$33,400	\$50,400
Missouri	Hourly	\$8.85	\$11.75	\$20.56
	Yearly	\$18,400	\$24,400	\$42,800

Based on (*) lower 25% and (**) upper 25% percentile of wages

National and State Employment Trends

Massage Therapist	Employment		Percent Change	Job Openings*
	2006	2016		
United States	117,700	141,500	+ 20 %	3,730
Missouri	1,120	1,240	+ 12 %	30

*The estimate for Job Openings includes both turnover that results from people who leave the occupation (e.g. quit, retire, death) and new jobs that are created.

Educational Opportunities

Note: This list may not be all inclusive. For more information about Missouri schools and programs, visit www.dhe.mo.gov

Allied College North

Maryland Heights, MO
(314) 595-3400
www.alliedcollege.edu

Allied College South

Fenton, MO
(636) 326-7300
www.hightechinstitute.edu

Colorado Technical University

North Kansas City, MO
(816) 472-0275
www.coloradotech.com

Heritage College

Kansas City, MO
(816) 942-5474
www.heritage-college.com

High Tech Institute

Kansas City, MO
(816) 444-4300
www.hightechinstitute.edu

Massage Therapy Training Institute

Kansas City, MO
(816) 523-9140
www.massagetherapytraininginstitute.com

Metro Business College

Cape Girardeau, MO
(573) 334-9181
www.metrobusinesscollege.edu

Midwest Institute

Kirkwood, MO
(314) 965-8363
www.midwestinstitute.com

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Missouri College
Saint Louis, MO
(314) 821-7700
www.missouricollege.com

Pinnacle Career Institute
Kansas City, MO
(816) 331-5700
www.pctraining.edu

Professional Massage Training Center
Springfield, MO
(417) 863-7682
www.pmtc.edu

Sanford-Brown College
Saint Peters, MO
(636) 696-2300
www.sbcstpeters.com

Sanford-Brown College
Fenton, MO
(636) 651-1600
www.sanford-browncollege.com

Sanford-Brown College
Hazelwood, MO
(314) 687-2900
www.sanford-browncollege.com

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(314) 687-2900
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St Charles School of Massage Therapy
Saint Charles, MO
(636) 498-0777
www.dayspaacademy.net

St. Louis College of Health Careers
St. Louis, MO
(314) 652-0300
www.slchc.com

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St. Louis, MO
(314) 652-0300
www.slchc.com

St. Louis College of Health Careers
Fenton, MO
(636) 529-0000
www.slchc.com

Vatterott College
Saint Joseph, MO
(816) 364-5399
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