Requirements for Acceptance into the Therapeutic Massage Program:

1. A completed admissions application to the program.
2. An official copy of the applicant’s high school transcript or GED, including date of graduation.
3. Completion of a standardized test (Accuplacer) issued by CCRI through the Office of Advising & Counseling is required. Competency of 75 or above is required for reading comprehension or completion of ENGL 0890: Critical Reading with a grade of “B” or better.
4. Completion of the following courses with a grade of “C” or better:
   - BIOL 1010: Human Anatomy
   - BIOL 1020: Human Physiology
   - TMSG 1000: Introduction to Therapeutic Massage
   - RHAB 1010: Medical Terminology for Rehabilitative Health
   - MATH 1420: Introduction to College Math or above
   - ENGL 1010: Composition I (may not substitute ENGL 1300)
   - PSYC 2010: General Psychology
   - PSYC 2030: Developmental Psychology
   - SPCH 1100: Oral Communication I.
5. A cumulative grade point average of 2.0 or better for all college courses taken.

All the above requirements must be completed satisfactorily BEFORE an applicant can be offered acceptance. Applicant list standing does not constitute admission into the program. At the time of admission, the student must meet the current admission requirements of the program. Students declining acceptance into the program for the semester offered, must reapply to the program and meet the current admission requirements. Once accepted into the Therapeutic Massage Program, the student must attend a mandatory orientation conducted by the Rehabilitative Health Department.

General Policies following acceptance

After being accepted and prior to beginning the program:

- Students will be required to have a criminal background check by the Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI) through the College. In compliance with requirements for clinical agencies, anyone who has been convicted of a felony may be unable to attend clinical/field experience in those agencies. No incident or probation can have occurred in the past 5 years. Further, applicants convicted of a felony will need to comply with state licensure requirements from the Rhode Island Department of Health. For more information, contact specific Department Chairperson.
- Students must have a physical examination and required immunizations completed prior to beginning TMSG 1030: Therapeutic Massage II.
- Current CPR card (American Heart Association, Health Care Provider Level) obtained through an American Heart Association recognized Community Training Center (course is available at CCRI, HEAL 0200).
- Students must be able to perform basic massage techniques and demonstrate the ability to give and receive a therapeutic massage treatment.

PLEASE NOTE: REQUIREMENTS ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE.

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