

# MASSAGE THERAPY (MASG)

## Graduate in only 24 months, ready to treat and support your community

Transform lives as a registered massage therapist. After a holistic approach with solid foundational training in year one, our accelerated program gives you the hands-on skills you need to work with diverse clients in our on-campus Massage Therapy Clinic. You'll gain in-depth knowledge of anatomy, physiology, pathophysiology, and neurology, along with intensive training in massage therapy techniques to provide the best treatment and prevention options for your clients.

You'll also complete three off-site placements, working with elite athletes, new and expectant parents, infants, and/or clients in long-term care and hospital settings. Entrepreneurship, marketing, and communication courses round out your training so you'll have the skills to join a health care team or open your own practice.

## Program highlights

- Accelerated program will allow you to earn a six-semester advanced diploma in two years
- Hands-on training in our high-tech massage therapy lab and during three placements
- Provide over 330 hours of direct massage therapy care to the public under the supervision of professional massage therapists
- Training in complementary laser, therapeutic ultrasound, TENS, cupping, and kinesiology taping modalities
- Due to the compressed nature of the program, there may be classes, clinics, or outreaches scheduled on weekends
- Accredited by the Canadian Massage Therapy Council for Accreditation (CMTCA)
- Grads are eligible to challenge the OSCE and MCQ examinations for Registered Massage Therapist credentialing (RMT/MT) as set out by the College of Massage Therapists of Ontario (CMTO)

## Program of study for 2025-26 Academic Year

Semester 1		Credits
BIO 1107	Anatomy & Physiology I	3
HEA 1301	Assessment and Treatment Plan I	4
MSG 1001	Massage Skills and Techniques I	6
MSG 1150	Professional Growth I	3
ENG 1121	Research & Writing/Health Sciences	3
MSG 1108 Clinical Anatomy I		4
<b>Credits</b>		<b>23</b>
Semester 2		
BIO 1207	Anatomy & Physiology II	3
HEA 1302	Assessment and Treatment Plan II	4
MSG 1002	Massage Skills and Techniques II	6
HEA 1220	Relational Skills	3
MSG 1200	Massage Therapy and Exercise I	2
MSG 1208 Clinical Anatomy II		4
One General Education course. <sup>1</sup>		3
<b>Credits</b>		<b>25</b>
Semester 3		
PTH 1005	Pathophysiology I for Massage	3

MSG 1003	Massage Skills and Techniques III	6
MSG 1100	Special Populations I	3
MSG 1160	Professional Growth II	3
MSG 1202	Massage Therapy and Exercise II	2
FPL 1100	Clinic I	3
One General Education course. <sup>1</sup>		3
<b>Credits</b>		<b>23</b>
Semester 4		
PTH 1010	Pathophysiology II for Massage	3
MSG 1004	Massage Skills and Techniques IV	6
MSG 1105	Special Populations II	3
MSG 1275	Advanced Treatments	3
FPL 1102	Clinic II	3
FPL 1201	Off-Site Placement I	2
<b>Credits</b>		<b>20</b>
Semester 5		
MSG 1110	Special Populations III	3
MSG 1005	Massage Skills and Techniques V	6
MSG 1006	Neuroanatomy and Physiology	3
FPL 1103	Clinic III	3
FPL 1202	Off-Site Placement II	2
One General Education Course <sup>1</sup>		3
<b>Credits</b>		<b>20</b>
Semester 6		
MSG 3000	Career Readiness	6
FPL 1104	Clinic IV	3
MSG 2000	Research in Practice	3
FPL 1203	Off-Site Placement III	2
MSG 3005 Business and Practice Management for Massage Therapists		4
<b>Credits</b>		<b>18</b>
<b>Total Credits</b>		<b>129</b>

<sup>1</sup> For more information regarding General Education courses, click here (<https://cambriancollege.ca/general-electives/>).

## Admission requirements

For graduates of the new curriculum (OSS): Ontario Secondary School Diploma (30 credits) or equivalent or mature student status, including:

- Any grade 12 English (C) or (U)
- Any grade 11 (C) or (U) or grade 12 biology (U), or any grade 12 Introduction to Kinesiology or equivalent (U)

Please note: A minimum of 60% is required in each of the prerequisite courses listed above.

## Program delivery

### 2025-2026

#### Fall term start

SEMESTER 1: Fall 2025  
SEMESTER 2: Winter 2026  
SEMESTER 3: Spring 2026  
SEMESTER 4: Fall 2026  
SEMESTER 5: Winter 2027

SEMESTER 6: Spring 2027

## Accreditation

The Massage Therapy program at Cambrian College has been granted full accreditation by the CMTCA.

"CMTCA's rigorous standards and comprehensive accreditation process help education programs strengthen and improve the quality of the education they provide. Students of CMTCA-accredited programs can be confident that their training is helping them become qualified, competent, and caring health care professionals." (Canadian Massage Therapy Council for Accreditation, cmtca.ca (<https://www.cmtca.ca/>).)

## Registration to practice / additional testing

Upon successful completion of all courses, as outlined in the program of study, graduates from Cambrian's Massage Therapy Program are eligible to write the OSCE and MCQ examinations required for registered massage therapist credentialing as set out by the College of Massage Therapists of Ontario. Graduates are responsible for all costs associated with:

- Certification Examinations (OSCE and MCQ)
- Professional liability insurance fees
- Fees for initial registration

### About the College of Massage Therapists of Ontario

Massage Therapists in Ontario are regulated by the College of Massage Therapists of Ontario (CMTO). Registered Massage Therapists must comply with federal and provincial legislation such as the Regulated Health Professions Act 1991, the Massage Therapy Act 1991, Personal Health Information Protection Act (PHIPA), and the Health Care Consent Act (HCCA) and others.

CMTO regulates Massage Therapists and protects the public by setting the requirements of becoming a massage therapist, maintaining the public registry, and developing and enforcing standards of practice to ensure professional conduct. They are responsible for receiving and investigating complaints from the public about their Massage Therapy care.

You can find more information on the College of Massage Therapists of Ontario by visiting [cmto.com](http://www.cmto.com) (<http://www.cmto.com>).

### About the Registered Massage Therapist Association of Ontario

Massage therapy students and graduates are eligible to become members of the Registered Massage Therapy Association of Ontario (RMTAO). The RMTAO is a professional association that advocates for the profession of Massage Therapy.

You can find more information about the Registered Massage Therapist Association of Ontario by visiting [rmtao.com/about-rmtao/whatwedo](http://rmtao.com/about-rmtao/whatwedo) (<https://www.rmtao.com/about-rmtao/whatwedo/>).

## Specific program pathways

Graduates of the Massage Therapy program at Cambrian College can receive up to 51 credits toward an undergraduate degree in Kinesiology or Physical and Health Education from Laurentian University

### College or university degree opportunities

If you are a graduate of this program, you may continue your studies at a college or university and you may receive credit(s) for your prior college education. Refer to Cambrian's college and university agreement

(<https://cambriancollege.ca/supports-services/articulation-agreements/universities-in-canada/>) details for further information.

## Employment opportunities

Registered Massage Therapists will be able to work in a variety of settings including:

- Self employment as a registered massage therapist
- Various healthcare organizations
- Multidisciplinary clinics
- Health and fitness centers
- Athletic organizations
- Resort/spa industry
- Long-term care facilities

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