



NORTH CAROLINA COMMUNITY COLLEGE SYSTEM

Dr. R. Scott Ralls, President

February 18, 2013

MEMORANDUM

TO: Presidents
Chief Academic Officers

FROM: Wesley Beddard, Associate Vice President
Student Learning and Success

SUBJECT: State Board Action on February 15, 2013
Curriculum Standard Revisions

On February 15, 2013, the State Board of Community Colleges approved the requested revision to the following curriculum standard:

Therapeutic Massage (A45750)

Please be aware that you must implement the revised standard no later than one year after the effective term. You must update your college's electronic programs of study and receive approval from the System Office prior to implementation of the revised program.

If you have any questions concerning the State Board action item, please contact Ms. Jennifer Frazelle at 919.807.7120 or frazellej@nccommunitycolleges.edu. An outline of the specific revisions and revised standard is attached for your convenience. You may view all curriculum standards and courses by visiting the Programs website at:

<http://www.nccommunitycolleges.edu/Programs/index.html>

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Attachments

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Outline of Curriculum Standard Revisions

State Board of Community Colleges – February 15, 2013

Therapeutic Massage (A45750)

- Added *MTH 130 (Therapeutic Massage Mgmt)* as a required core course
- Deleted the required subject area of Business

CURRICULUM STANDARD

Effective Term
Summer 2013
*[2013*02]*

Curriculum Program Title	Therapeutic Massage	Code	A45750
Concentration	(not applicable)		

Curriculum Description

The Therapeutic Massage curriculum prepares graduates to work in direct client care settings to provide manipulation, methodical pressure, friction and kneading of the body for maintaining wellness or treating alterations in wellness throughout the lifespan.

Courses will include content in normal human anatomy and physiology, therapeutic massage, ethical/legal issues, business practices, nutrition and psychology.

Employment opportunities include hospitals/rehabilitation centers, health departments, home health, medical offices, nursing homes, spas/health/sports clubs, and private practice. Graduates may be eligible to take the Massage and Bodywork Licensing Exam or the National Certification for Therapeutic Massage and Bodywork.

*Curriculum Requirements**

[for associate degree, diploma, and certificate programs in accordance with 23 SBCCC 02E.0204 (3)]

- I. General Education.** Degree programs must contain a minimum of 15 semester hours including at least one course from each of the following areas: humanities/fine arts, social/behavioral sciences, and natural sciences/mathematics. Degree programs must contain a minimum of 6 semester hours of communications. Diploma programs must contain a minimum of 6 semester hours of general education; 3 semester hours must be in communications. General education is optional in certificate programs.

- II. Major Hours.** AAS, diploma, and certificate programs must include courses which offer specific job knowledge and skills. Work experience, including cooperative education, practicums, and internships, may be included in associate in applied science degrees up to a maximum of 8 semester hours of credit; in diploma programs up to a maximum of 4 semester hours of credit; and in certificate programs up to a maximum of 2 semester hours of credit. *(See second page for additional information.)*

- III. Other Required Hours.** A college may include courses to meet graduation or local employer requirements in a certificate, diploma, or associate in applied science program. These curriculum courses shall be selected from the Combined Course Library and must be approved by the System Office prior to implementation. Restricted, unique, or free elective courses may not be included as other required hours.

	AAS	Diploma	Certificate
Minimum General Education Hours	15	6	0
Minimum Major Hours	49	30	12
Other Required Hours	0-7	0-4	0-1
Total Semester Hours Credit (SHC)	64-76	36-48	12-18

*Within the degree program, the institution shall include opportunities for the achievement of competence in reading, writing, oral communication, fundamental mathematical skills, and basic use of computers.

Major Hours

[ref. 23 SBCCC 02E.0204 (3)]

- A. Core.** The subject/course core is comprised of subject areas and/or specific courses which are required for each curriculum program. A diploma program offered under an approved AAS program standard or a certificate which is the highest credential level awarded under an approved AAS program standard must include a minimum of 12 semester hours credit derived from the subject/course core of the AAS program.
- B. Concentration** *(if applicable)*. A concentration of study must include a minimum of 12 semester hours credit from required subjects and/or courses. The majority of the course credit hours are unique to the concentration. The required subjects and/or courses that make up the concentration of study are in addition to the required subject/course core.
- C. Other Major Hours.** Other major hours must be selected from prefixes listed on the curriculum standard. A maximum of 9 semester hours of credit may be selected from any prefix listed, with the exception of prefixes listed in the core or concentration. Work experience, including cooperative education, practicums, and internships, may be included in associate in applied science degrees up to a maximum of 8 semester hours of credit; in diploma programs up to a maximum of 4 semester hours of credit; and in certificate programs up to a maximum of 2 semester hours of credit.

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C. OTHER MAJOR HOURS BIO, BUS, CIS, COE, ENG, HEA, MED, MTH, NUT, PED, PSF, PSY, and SOC <i>Up to three semester hour credits may be selected from the following prefixes: ARA, ASL, CHI, FRE, GER, ITA, JPN, LAT, POR, RUS and SPA.</i>																							