

Massage as a Career even with a Learning Disability

“When I was trying to decide which career path to take, I was very interested in medicine and the healing arts, however, while in High School, I always struggled with math and chemistry. I sought counseling and after some tests, it was determined that I had a learning disability in those two subjects. As an alternative, I discovered that I could become a Massage Technician/Therapist and it required no math or chemistry. I am able to make a good income in spite of my learning disability, and still stay in the field that is interesting and fulfilling to me. “

- Lisa Starr, Massage Therapist, Esthetician

Hands on Learning



"SBBTI has been one of my first "hands on" learning environments and I can honestly say with full confidence that I learned more in the first week than I ever have in any desk/ classroom setting. The instructors

all teach in such an intuitive way. They give you a strong foundation of tools and knowledge and then encourage you to personalize what you learn, and create your massage to be unique. Through that process alone you have already become an asset in the professional world. That in itself is priceless.”

-Mike La Rocca, UCSB Graduate, Massage Therapist

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Massage Certification



Welcome to the Santa Barbara Body Therapy Institute

We are here to help you explore where you are presently in your life, where you'd like to go and see if the field of massage is a great match for you.



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We invite you to join us for an extraordinary learning experience with a community of caring students and exceptional instructors. Learn essential methods for personal development, health and healing. Gain vocational skills and experience that lead directly to employment and personal autonomy.

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Practitioner Program*

Testimonial from Local Employer

“We are consistently hiring therapists year round. We could easily hire 20 more therapists in our 5 Tri-County locations. The graduates that come out of Santa Barbara Body Therapy Institute are the most well-rounded, possess the best techniques and draping of all the graduates from schools in the Tri Counties.”

-Christina Omdahl, owner of 5 Massage Envy Clinics

Life Changes and new Beginnings



“It was never really my plan to be a massage therapist, but I needed a change from what I was doing, and I always felt drawn to massaging loved ones and pets, so I enrolled and I fell in love with it. I cannot imagine where my life would be now without this school, people, and experience. My life has not only changed, but it has been enhanced in every possible way.”

-Vanessa Simpson, Massage Therapist at USCB Rec. Center



Self-Employment and Holistic Way of Life

“I was a year into City College at 16 with my sights on Naturopathic Medical School. One of the big motivators to study massage was to have work that could provide money and flexibility for attending college. I had such a transformational experience at BTI with my first course that I continued with Massage Therapy. I worked at three different spas and a physical Therapy rehab office and have been fully self-employed now for the past twelve years. With massage Therapy I found such personal and professional fulfillment

that 17 years later I am still practicing and now teaching massage here at BTI. Massage is much more than a livelihood. It has become a holistic way of life.”

-Matthew Jones, MMQ, HHP, SBBTI Instructor and 1,000 hr graduate

Earning a Living with no Debt at 20 years Old

"My journey with Santa Barbara Body Therapy Institute has been insightful and transformational. I started having never received a professional massage before, and I left beholding a new world in front of me. It was great to get out of the typical class room setting and experience something radical. Today, I work as a professional massage therapist helping others toward pain free and enjoyable living. **I'm excited about what I do. I have no debt. And I'm 20.** Being a therapist isn't for everyone, but it's worth your while to learn something that makes a difference.”

-Brandon Cope, Massage Therapist