Madison College Therapeutic Massage Program Progression Policy

In order for students to have a successful academic career while enrolled in the Therapeutic Massage Program, it’s important to be familiar with the course progression policy:

Students must take Body Structure and Function (10-501-153) or General Anatomy and Physiology (20-806-206), Musculoskeletal Anatomy for Body workers (31-537-136) in one of the following ways:
   - Prior to taking Therapeutic Massage 1 & 2
   - Concurrently with Therapeutic Massage 1 & 2

If students decide to enroll in science courses while on the waiting list, they will have first priority for the TM Core classes.

Pathology and Kinesiology must be taken concurrently with or prior to Specialized Techniques and Clinic & Business Practices.
   - Students must take Body Structure and Function or General A&P before taking Pathology.

Students may complete all science courses prior to hands on courses (Musculoskeletal Anatomy, Applied Musculoskeletal Anatomy, Body Structure & Function, Pathology, and Kinesiology) but they must complete all course work within the two year time frame.

IMPORTANT:

- If a student withdraws from or does not pass a science course with a 76% or better in their first semester, they will not be eligible to enroll in Therapeutic Massage 1 & 2, Specialized Techniques, Clinic & Business Practices, Pathology or Kinesiology until they pass the required first semester science courses.

- If a student fails a course and would like to continue in the program, the student must meet with the program director Amy Nicholson (ACNicholson@madisoncollege.edu, 608-258-2321) and fill out an Intent to Continue form. This form will hold a space for the student in the appropriate course. If the student does not fill out this form, they will be dropped from the program and will have to re-apply to the program.

- If a student fails a core course (ie.TM1, TM2) more than once, they will be permanently removed from the program.

Students will have two years from the semester that they started to complete all courses. Students who have been out of the program longer than two years will have to go through an academic and practical assessment before being placed back into the program. If students do not complete the required assessments with a 76% or better, they will have to retake required courses in order to finish the program.