



The Naga Center llc
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Admissions Application Packet

Enrollment requirements

To participate in either of the Thai Massage Professional Programs students must be:

- 18 year of age or older
- Proficient in speaking, reading, and writing in English
- Vaccinated against SARS-CoV-2
- Citizens or legal residents of the United States or its territories

Students also must have physical, mental, emotional, language and technical capacity needed for successful completion of program and entry into the massage profession.

Ability Considerations

Physical: Thai bodywork is a physical modality that requires an ability to kneel and squat. Students with physical ability differences or challenges, concerns about their ability to engage in the program, or who anticipate being pregnant for any part of the program, should make sure to discuss these considerations in their admission interview in order to best make sure that they can participate safely and successfully and their instructors are prepared to meet their needs.

Cognitive/Mental/Emotional: Students with severe test anxiety, reading & comprehension challenges, or mental/emotional considerations are encouraged to discuss this in their admission interview in order to best make sure that they can participate safely and successfully and their instructors are prepared to meet their needs.

Language: English language proficiency must be very strong as students will be studying medical/anatomical terminology. Please discuss any fluency concerns during your admissions interview.

Computer/Technology Literacy: This program utilizes a variety of technological platforms including website based resources, Zoom, and phone messaging apps. Students who need extra assistance in familiarizing themselves with these systems will be given significant guidance and support.

Enrollment checklist

- Receive at least one professional Thai massage within the last year.
- Submit completed program application package including:
 - Application form
 - Copy of photo ID front and back (driver's license, passport, or other government issued ID)
 - Proof of up to date complete SARS-CoV-2 (COVID-19) series
 - Provide three professional/education references
 - Application essay
- Complete admission interview (*you will be contacted to schedule upon receipt of application*)
- Receive acceptance or contingent acceptance letter
- Show proof of student liability insurance (*see below*)
- Pay \$50 registration fee and any other associated fees and deposits
- Completion of signed enrollment agreement (*provided after admissions interview*)
- Payment in full, or payment for first semester, or first monthly payment depending on payment plan optioned.
- Acquisition of all books and other materials needed at start of program (*book and materials list will be provided upon acceptance*)

Acceptance and Deadlines

Potential students are accepted based on a variety of factors including timing (space is limited and most likely will fill), fulfilling all requirements, and demonstration through essay, interview and references of likelihood of ability to successfully complete the program. There is no application deadline ahead of start of classes, however the sooner potential students apply the greater the chance of getting into the program. If there is space in the program applications will be accepted up to two weeks past the first day of classes with factors such as the student's ability to make up missed work taken into account in the decision making process. Students will be contacted within one week of receipt of application packet to schedule an admissions interview.

Evaluation Criteria

Evaluation of student ability to successfully navigate and complete the program and enter into a professional massage career is established through evaluating admissions application, admissions essay, references, and interview for:

- Language proficiency - *students must have English fluency demonstrative of an ability to learn medical terminology, read academic health science texts, and communicate with future massage clientele.*

- Community support system - *students have a stronger potential for successful completion of program if they have supportive family, partnerships, friends although this a conversation not a hard line.*
- Life responsibilities/time commitments *Students need to be able to set aside a significant portion of time to attend classes and complete homework assignments.*
- Ability - *Discussion of any physical, psychological, or cognitive conditions that may impact student ability to successfully complete the program and state exam requirements for licensure.*
- Self reflection showing reasoned motivation for joining program
- Foundational understanding of what Thai massage is *Students who do not possess this will be educated during their admissions interview such that they can assess their desire to dedicate their studies to this modality.*

Non-Discrimination Policy ~ Equity

The Naga Center does not discriminate based on race, ethnicity, gender identity or presentation, sexual orientation, religion, national origin, status, political affiliations or any other such nonsense nor do we allow for such discrimination to rear its sad head in our classrooms. Equity and nondiscrimination are of paramount importance. The Naga Center strives to keep the program cost as low as possible for financial accessibility¹.

Students perceiving discrimination from other students, instructors or administration are encouraged to first attempt resolution through the Naga Center's grievance policy (see Student Handbook). Any person unlawfully discriminated against as described in ORS 345.240 may file a complaint under 659A.820 with the Commissioner of the Bureau of Labor and Industries. Any facility or staff found to have engaged in discriminatory behavior will be subject to school disciplinary policy.

Student Liability Insurance

All students must have student liability insurance purchased through Massage Magazine Insurance Plus (MMIP)² at <https://www.massageliabilityinsurancegroup.com/student/> and must show proof of insurance as part of their application package.

The cost is approximately \$40 per year.

How to Submit Application

All applications may be mailed or e-mailed

¹ At the time of the creation of this handbook to the best of our knowledge the only less expensive massage program in the state is Lane Community College, being the only not-for-profit massage program. This footnote is provided for those who may benefit from the community college option.

² The Naga Center has no affiliation with MMIP, but requires insurance through them as, as of the time of the writing of this handbook, they are the only massage insurance provider that covers all techniques taught at The Naga Center.

Mail to:

The Naga Center, llc

875 SE Park Drive

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E-mail to the director: nephyr@nephyr.earth

If e-mailing please convert all documents to pdf and attach as such.

If you do not receive a response within one week of anticipated arrival of application please e-mail nephyr@nephyr.earth



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Professional Program Application

Legal Name (first, m. Last):			
Preferred Name:		Pronouns:	SSN:
Phone	E-mail		Date of birth:
Street Address			Apt:
City/State/Zip			
Mailing Address if Different:			
Emergency Contact Name and Phone:			

Start date applying for _____

- Wind Path - 10 month study
- Earth Path - 22 month study
- Unsure (we can help you figure this out at your admission interview)

Education/Training

Please list any academic training beyond high school including undergraduate, graduate, technical or mentorship trainings. Be sure to include any previous healing arts/massage training. Note graduation dates and degrees awarded. Attach extra pages if needed.

Are you applying to have credits transferred from prior training?

Transfer credits from previous training must be from within 5 years and are only accepted in the modern health science subjects of anatomy/physiology, pathology & kinesiology and will be evaluated for program compatibility.

- Yes: if yes please provide school name and list of classes you wish to have credit transferred for _____
- No

Payment Options

- Payment in full
- Payment in full for each semester (due at the beginning of each semester)
- Monthly payment plan (final payment due beginning of final month of program)
- Uncertain at this time (we can help you figure this out at your admission interview)

Will you be taking advantage of any discounts?

- \$200 Fossil Fuel Eco Discount - I agree to bike, carpool, walk, or take public transportation to in-person intensive workshops (or other non-car options)
- \$300 Cash/Check payment Discount - by paying tuition fees with cash or check students save on credit card processing fees.
- Uncertain at this time
- None

Essay Question: please attach a hand written one to two page essay explaining your desire to learn traditional Thai bodywork.

References: Please provide three professional references. These can be current or past employers, teachers, or other people who are likely to have a good objective view of your capacity for academic and hands on healing arts study.

Reference Name	Relationship (employer, instructor, supervisor...)	E-mail	Phone
1			
2			
3			

Health Survey

The following information is collected in order to provide the best support and guidance possible to assist you as an individual in successful completion of this program and entrance into the massage profession. Information provided here will not necessarily impact a determination of acceptance, however a bodywork practice does have certain capacity requirements. All student information is kept confidential, however your instructors may be alerted as is appropriate to best assist them in supporting you. You will have the opportunity to further discuss this section during your admission interview.

Please list any physical, psychological, or cognitive conditions that may impact your ability to navigate your studies. This may include conditions such as acute or chronic injuries, recent surgeries, pregnancy, chronic illness, depression, anxiety, ADHD/ADD, dyslexia, joint pain, and any other learning, physical, or mental differences and challenges.

Is there anything else you would like us to know about you at this point? Remember, you will get to chat and have questions answered at your admissions interview as well.

All information provided in this application package is true/accurate to the best of my knowledge.

Applicant signature

Date

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<input type="checkbox"/> Application	<input type="checkbox"/> Admission Interview	<input type="checkbox"/> Proof of insurance
<input type="checkbox"/> Application fee	<input type="checkbox"/> Vaccination	<input type="checkbox"/> Essay
<input type="checkbox"/> Photo ID	<input type="checkbox"/> References	<input type="checkbox"/> Enrollment agreement
Admissions Interview Date: Interview facilitator: Notes:		