

To whom it may concern,

The Licensed Massage Therapy Program currently charges an additional \$17 per credit for all 100 level LMT courses for a licensing fee. That licensing fee is collected in an account and once the student completes the certificate, it is then used to pay for their licensing and exam fees:

OBMT license fee:	\$240-\$290
Mblex exam fee:	\$195
Total:	\$430-\$490

The current fees collected solely for this purpose grossly outweigh what the students actually use; students entering Fall 18-19 AY will pay:

\$17 x 39 credits = **\$663**

I am asking to reduce the fees beginning Fall 2018 according to what is used by the students and to remove them from all first term classes as that is when the most attrition occurs. First term LMT courses are: LMT 113, LMT 130, LMT 155, and LMT 170. We can include the fees for all 2nd-4th term courses at \$17/credit for a total of \$493 as follows:

2nd term

LMT 118, 4 credits x 17/cr = \$68
LMT 145, 4 credits x 17/cr = \$68
\$136

3rd term

LMT 124, 4 credits x 17/cr = \$68
LMT 140, 4 credits x 17/cr = \$68
LMT 150, 4 credits x 17/cr = \$68
LMT 175, 2 credits x 17/cr = \$34
\$238

4th term

LMT 135, 3 credits x 17/cr = \$51
LMT 160, 1 credit x 17/cr = \$17
LMT 180, 3 credits x 17/cr = \$51
\$119

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\$493 total licensing fees collected

Thank you for taking the time to consider this proposal. It will make our program more affordable (especially the first term for those who may be exploratory), and corrects a major funding issue that past students have not been pleased with. Please contact me with any further questions.

Kind Regards,

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