

Transcript: A Career in Massage Can Be Whatever You Want It to Be

My name is Piper McLane.

I was raised in Virginia but I've lived most of my life in Wisconsin and I just came down to Florida for the school.

Massage is always something that I've been interested in and I guess I always felt more at home with hands on trades rather than the typical school route and it actually turns out that my mom went here in '93, so it's kind of like a legacy and that's how I've got to know the school she loved it and I've been a part of a community very similar to this and it's definitely a community and it's incredibly supportive and it's also very inviting it's easy to bring people back here and to invite others to come.

It feels like I made one of the best decisions of my entire life.

It's been a journey for sure, within myself, as well as learning about body work and just becoming so interested in the human body because, like we are maps in ourselves and there's so much geography on us and just so much history in our tissue and it's really cool to get to feel that and get to learn how to feel that in other people.

My favorite class is probably Kinesiology, even though it is the most difficult.

I feel, like I learned the most that I get to bring into the practice of like hands on massage and it's really helpful to know where all the muscles are and know their actions.

But I guess that's more of a linear class so either Kinesiology or communication skills, just because it's I mean learning to communicate with people is so essential especially in this profession, where you are really getting vulnerable with somebody and being able to communicate in a nonjudgmental way is really important, I've definitely gotten a lot from coming here.

Not only just learning more about self care and the importance that it has but also just learning more about the human body is really cool and it's so applicable in everyday life and as well as in massage like just learning about it at such an in depth level and applicable level I think has been really beneficial.

Definitely have grown here yeah like I feel a lot more comfortable with the knowledge that I have where as, I chose to come here instead of continue with College and I think that that's definitely for me was a great choice.

The loving and accepting community definitely the community here and the people.

I think that the teachers and the students and just the whole atmosphere is really what makes FSM FSM and that's what I'm gonna miss the most.

After graduation I will be leaving Florida, unfortunately from all the friends that I've made in massage school, but I'm hoping to take what I've learned here and bring it into like an outdoor environment or like an outdoor setting and help people who want to get into the outdoors and maybe because of physical problems that's limited them from doing so and I've applied to a couple of remote resorts.

Some of them are in Alaska and Colorado, Some are hot springs in other countries!.

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