

April 1, 2020

RMSAAM response to Covid-19

During this time of uncertainty and ever-changing information about Covid-19, we want to reassure our students that we are doing all that we can to keep you informed and safe. We are in this together and our focus is on your welfare and as always supporting the animals. As an accredited trade school, we are governed by the Colorado Department of Higher Education under the Division of Private Occupational Schools. They have issued a statement instructing us on the policy/protocols required during the Covid-19 situation. At this time, we are required to close our campus/facility to on campus classes. We will continue to offer all correspondence classes with some additional options to support those who had planned to come to a class in-person. We will continue to answer the phones, enroll students, process case studies, do virtual mentoring and support our students in any way we can while this “shelter at home” order that is in place here in CO until 4/30.

Our facility continues to follow the CDC’s safety and social distancing recommendations. We have implemented some new options for students. Our On-campus classes will be on a break until May 1, unless otherwise directed. Please check back regularly for the current school status. Updates will be posted when we are informed of changes from DPOS, the state of Colorado and the CDC.

Enrollment options as of 3/20/2020

Enroll in a scheduled On-Campus class that is on the calendar after May 1, 2020. Please go to our website calendar for those date options.

Correspondence classes are continuing as they have been. Please contact the office for more information on enrolling.

To further support you in your learning process, we are now offering a Virtual Classroom option as an add-on to your correspondence class. These webinar-style meetings will be free of charge at this time. This option is for those of you who would like some face time with an instructor and who would like to have the experience of being in the class room with other students but from the comfort of your home. The platform will be through Zoom webinars. If this is of interest to you, please call or email the office for more information and to sign up. Students may join the class by phone or computer. If you join by computer it will be fully interactive...you will be able to see the instructor and other students and talk with everyone. If you join by a phone that is not a smart phone, you will only have audio access. All classes will be recorded.

*Note: At this time, we are waiving all change fees for classes. (excluding cancellation fees) That means if you would like to change to a class later in the year or switch from an on campus class to a correspondence class, there will be no fees. Please note that the manual and some of the course work for correspondence classes is different. Once we switch you over, we will need to email you a different welcome letter and manual.

For those of you who are in the case study portion of the process, we will grant free extensions until you can get to your clients to complete the work. We understand that there may be a large gap between

sessions – this will be allowed. Write and explanation of this in your summary form with each animal. Please call the office to discuss the extension so we can update your student file. If you do not contact the office and file for an official extension you will still be considered late.

Once the “shelter at home” order has been lifted...

We recognize that many students are kinesthetic learners and prefer to attend a class in-person to gain hands-on experience. Because that may not be an option during the Covid-19 threat, we want to make sure your needs are being met by offering that hands-on time. For those students who have switched to a Correspondence class due to Covid-19, or for any reason, we are offering a practicum weekend. Students can attend this 2-day class on campus for free. This will allow you to ask questions, do anatomy labs and practice massages with an instructor guiding you. These classes will be scheduled after we are allowed to hold classes again. Dates TBD.

Spring Sale

We are extending our spring sale by 30 days to 4/21, to allow more time for things to settle down.

On Campus is a 20% discount.

Correspondence/Virtual Classes are a 30% discount.

Veteran are always eligible for a 20% discount. Not to be combined with the multi-class discount.

You have 1 year to sign up and take your classes once you pay for them. This cannot be combined with our multi-class discount. Guest instructor classes are not included in this offer. For all questions and for more information, please contact the main office at 303-660-9390 or by email at information@rmsaam.com.

As we mentioned, our offices in Littleton are still open at this time for calls and emails. Thank you for choosing the RMSAAM family and for your support and patience. We’re here for you, to support your educational experience and to help you grow your business. Please reach out to us if there is anything you need.

Sincerely, Tracy Vroom, Executive Director RMSAAM Staff and Instructors

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