

CDPVTC Training Area

Cosmetology

The Cosmetology training program is designed to meet the entry-level need of any business that employs cosmetologists, estheticians, and/or nail technicians.



Learning Objectives

- Keep work stations clean and sanitize tools
- Apply lighteners or color to hair
- Cut, trim and shape hair or hairpieces, based on customer instructions, hair type and facial features
- Schedule client appointments
- Demonstrate and sell hair care products and cosmetics
- Analyze customer hair and recommend beauty treatments or suggest hair styles
- Shampoo, condition, and style hair or wigs
- Operate cash register and manage supplies
- Comb, brush, and spray hair or wigs to style
- Develop new styles and techniques
- Apply water, setting, straightening or waving solutions to hair and use curlers, rollers, hot combs, and/or curling irons to press and curl hair
- Shape eyebrows, remove facial hair, and groom beards by waxing, tweezing, or clipping (clippers)
- Massage and treat the scalp
- Administer therapeutic treatments for scalp conditions
- Recommend and explain the use of cosmetics and lotions
- Clean, shape, and polish nails
- Apply artificial fingernails
- Provide facials using specialized compounds
- Follow infection control regulations to protect customers

Expectations & Requirements

While on the job, you will be expected to display the following traits at all times:

- Punctuality and dependability
- Attention to detail and accuracy
- Cooperation
- Ability to actively listen
- Capacity to communicate effectively
- Self-control





Career Options

Upon completion of the Cosmetology training program, you will have various entry-level career options in the following areas: Cosmetologist, Esthetician, and/or Nail Technician.

Cosmetologist

As a cosmetologist, you will be responsible for tasks such as cleaning workstations and sanitizing tools, hair lightening, coloring, cutting, and shaping hair pieces, scheduling client appointments, updating customer records, demonstrating and selling hair care products and cosmetics, analyzing customer hair and recommending beauty treatments or hairstyles, developing new styles and techniques, shaping eyebrows and removing facial hair, providing scalp treatments, administering therapeutic medication, and other related tasks.

Esthetician

If you choose to pursue a career as an esthetician, your duties will include sterilizing equipment, examining client skin, cleansing and caring for skin, applying cosmetic products, performing extractions, staying updated on industry trends, providing facial treatments using specialized techniques and products, referring clients for medical treatment when necessary, removing body and facial hair, providing massages, keeping client records, applying chemical peels, advising clients on makeup and application techniques, and more.

Nail Technician

As a nail technician, your responsibilities will involve cleaning and sanitizing tools and work areas applying polish to nails, maintaining inventory and client records, shaping and smoothing nails, preparing cuticles, treating nails to repair and improve strength, extending nails using artificial methods, polishing nails, promoting and selling nail care products, decorating nails with ornaments or designs, and other tasks associated with nail care.

These career options provide a range of opportunities for you to apply your skills and creativity in the cosmetology industry.

All students enrolled in the cosmetology training program will have the chance to acquire a Kentucky State Board of Cosmetology License. This license is a valuable credential in the field.

Upon completing the cosmetology training program, you will have various employment opportunities. You can work in diverse settings, including hair and nail salons, spas, and more. These are just a few examples, and the possibilities extend beyond these options.

Minimum Requirements

To enroll in the Cosmetology training program, students must meet the following requirements:

- Have a high school diploma or equivalent
- Possess a minimum academic grade level of 6th grade in reading
- Have basic math skills
- Be capable of walking, standing, stooping, squatting, and bending for moderate to extended periods
- Tolerate allergens, noise, and chemicals

These requirements ensure that students have the necessary educational foundation and physical abilities to succeed in the Cosmetology program.

Course Duration and Sequence

Students wishing to enter the Cosmetology training program should expect to spend a minimum of 15 months or 1500 hours in training. Students will also be required to pass the Kentucky State Board of Cosmetology Exam.

Please note that with the addition of ancillary services as well as individual pace, student completion timelines will vary.



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