Cosmetology

The Cosmetology curriculum is designed to provide competency-based knowledge, scientific/artistic principles, and hands-on fundamentals associated with the cosmetology industry. The curriculum provides a simulated salon environment that enables students to develop manipulative skills.

Course work includes instruction in all phases of professional imaging, hair design, chemical processes, skin care, nail care, multi-cultural practices, business/computer principles, product knowledge, and other selected topics.

Graduates should qualify to sit for the State Board of Cosmetic Arts examination. Upon successfully passing the State Board exam, graduates are issued a license. Employment is available in beauty salons and related businesses.

For more information, visit the Cosmetology Program of Study website.

For specific information about potential positions and wages in cosmetology employment, visit the Central Piedmont Career Coach website.

COS 111AB. Cosmetology Concepts I. 2.0 Credits. Class-2.0. Clinical-0.0. Lab-0.0. Work-0.0

This course introduces basic cosmetology concepts. Topics include safety, first aid, sanitation, bacteriology, anatomy, diseases and disorders, hygiene, product knowledge, chemistry, ethics, manicures, and other related topics. Upon completion, students should be able to safely and competently apply cosmetology concepts in the salon setting. Corequisites: Take COS 112AB

COS 111BB. Cosmetology Concepts I. 2.0 Credits. Class-2.0. Clinical-0.0. Lab-0.0. Work-0.0

This course introduces basic cosmetology concepts. Topics include safety, first aid, sanitation, bacteriology, anatomy, diseases and disorders, hygiene, product knowledge, chemistry, ethics, manicures, and other related topics. Upon completion, students should be able to safely and competently apply cosmetology concepts in the salon setting. Corequisites: Take COS 111AB

COS 111. Cosmetology Concepts I. 4.0 Credits. Class-4.0. Clinical-0.0. Lab-0.0. Work-0.0

This course introduces basic cosmetology concepts. Topics include safety, first aid, sanitation, bacteriology, anatomy, diseases and disorders, hygiene, product knowledge, chemistry, ethics, manicures, and other related topics. Upon completion, students should be able to safely and competently apply cosmetology concepts in the salon setting. Corequisites: Take COS 112

COS 112BB. Salon I. 4.0 Credits. Class-0.0. Clinical-0.0. Lab-12.0. Work-0.0

This course introduces basic salon services. Topics include scalp treatments, shampooing, rinsing, hair color, design, haircutting, permanent waving, pressing, relaxing, wigs, and other related topics. Upon completion, students should be able to safely and competently demonstrate salon services.

Corequisites: Take COS 112AB

COS 112AB. Salon I. 4.0 Credits. Class-0.0. Clinical-0.0. Lab-12.0. Work-0.0

This course introduces basic salon services. Topics include scalp treatments, shampooing, rinsing, hair color, design, haircutting, permanent waving, pressing, relaxing, wigs, and other related topics. Upon completion, students should be able to safely and competently demonstrate salon services.

Corequisites: Take COS 111AB

COS 112. Salon I. 8.0 Credits. Class-0.0. Clinical-0.0. Lab-24.0. Work-0.0

This course introduces basic salon services. Topics include scalp treatments, shampooing, rinsing, hair color, design, haircutting, permanent waving, pressing, relaxing, wigs, and other related topics. Upon completion, students should be able to safely and competently demonstrate salon services.

Corequisites: Take COS 111

COS 113. Cosmetology Concepts II. 4.0 Credits. Class-4.0. Clinical-0.0. Lab-0.0. Work-0.0

This course covers more comprehensive cosmetology concepts. Topics include safety, product knowledge, chemistry, manicuring, chemical restructuring, and hair coloring. Upon completion, students should be able to safely and competently apply these cosmetology concepts in the salon setting.

Prerequisites: Take all: COS 111 and COS 112

COS 113AB. Cosmetology Concepts II. 2.0 Credits. Class-2.0.

Clinical-0.0. Lab-0.0. Work-0.0

This course covers more comprehensive cosmetology concepts. Topics include safety, product knowledge, chemistry, manicuring, chemical restructuring, and hair coloring. Upon completion, students should be able to safely and competently apply these cosmetology concepts in the salon setting

Prerequisites: Take all: COS 111 and COS 112

COS 113BB. Cosmetology Concepts II. 2.0 Credits. Class-2.0.

Clinical-0.0. Lab-0.0. Work-0.0

This course covers more comprehensive cosmetology concepts. Topics include safety, product knowledge, chemistry, manicuring, chemical restructuring, and hair coloring. Upon completion, students should be able to safely and competently apply these cosmetology concepts in the salon cotting.

Prerequisites: Take all: COS 111 and COS 112

Corequisites: Take COS 113AB

COS 114BB. Salon II. 4.0 Credits. Class-0.0. Clinical-0.0. Lab-12.0. Work-0.0

This course provides experience in a simulated salon setting. Topics include basic skin care, manicuring, nail application, scalp treatments, shampooing, rinsing, hair color, design, haircutting, chemical restructuring, pressing, wigs, and other related topics. Upon completion, students should be able to safely and competently demonstrate these salon services.

Prerequisites: Take all: COS 111 and COS 112

Corequisites: Take COS 114AB

COS 114. Salon II. 8.0 Credits. Class-0.0. Clinical-0.0. Lab-24.0. Work-0.0

This course provides experience in a simulated salon setting. Topics include basic skin care, manicuring, nail application, scalp treatments, shampooing, rinsing, hair color, design, haircutting, chemical restructuring, pressing, wigs, and other related topics. Upon completion, students should be able to safely and competently demonstrate these salon services. Prerequisites: Take all: COS 111 and COS 112

COS 114AB. Salon II. 4.0 Credits. Class-0.0. Clinical-0.0. Lab-12.0. Work-0.0

This course provides experience in a simulated salon setting. Topics include basic skin care, manicuring, nail application, scalp treatments, shampooing, rinsing, hair color, design, haircutting, chemical restructuring, pressing, wigs, and other related topics. Upon completion, students should be able to safely and competently demonstrate these salon services. Prerequisites: Take all: COS 111 and COS 112

COS 115BB. Cosmetology Concepts III. 2.0 Credits. Class-2.0.

Clinical-0.0. Lab-0.0. Work-0.0

This course covers more comprehensive cosmetology concepts. Topics include safety, product knowledge, salon management, salesmanship, skin care, electricity/light therapy, wigs, thermal hair styling, lash and brow tinting, superfluous hair removal, and other related topics. Upon completion, students should be able to safely and competently apply these cosmetology concepts in the salon setting.

Prerequisites: Take all: COS 111 and COS 112

Corequisites: Take COS 115AB

COS 115. Cosmetology Concepts III. 4.0 Credits. Class-4.0.

Clinical-0.0. Lab-0.0. Work-0.0

This course covers more comprehensive cosmetology concepts. Topics include safety, product knowledge, salon management, salesmanship, skin care, electricity/light therapy, wigs, thermal hair styling, lash and brow tinting, superfluous hair removal, and other related topics. Upon completion, students should be able to safely and competently apply these cosmetology concepts in the salon setting.

Prerequisites: Take all: COS 111 and COS 112

COS 115AB. Cosmetology Concepts III. 2.0 Credits. Class-2.0.

Clinical-0.0. Lab-0.0. Work-0.0

This course covers more comprehensive cosmetology concepts. Topics include safety, product knowledge, salon management, salesmanship, skin care, electricity/light therapy, wigs, thermal hair styling, lash and brow tinting, superfluous hair removal, and other related topics. Upon completion, students should be able to safely and competently apply these cosmetology concepts in the salon setting.

Prerequisites: Take all: COS 111 and COS 112

COS 116AB. Salon III. 2.0 Credits. Class-0.0. Clinical-0.0. Lab-6.0. Work-0.0

This course provides comprehensive experience in a simulated salon setting. Emphasis is placed on intermediate-level of skin care, manicuring, scalp treatments, shampooing, hair color, design, haircutting, chemical restructuring, pressing, and other related topics. Upon completion, students should be able to safely and competently demonstrate these salon services

Prerequisites: Take all: COS 111 and COS 112

COS 116. Salon III. 4.0 Credits. Class-0.0. Clinical-0.0. Lab-12.0. Work-0.0

This course provides comprehensive experience in a simulated salon setting. Emphasis is placed on intermediate-level of skin care, manicuring, scalp treatments, shampooing, hair color, design, haircutting, chemical restructuring, pressing, and other related topics. Upon completion, students should be able to safely and competently demonstrate these salon services.

Prerequisites: Take all: COS 111 and COS 112

COS 116BB. Salon III. 2.0 Credits. Class-0.0. Clinical-0.0. Lab-6.0. Work-0.0

This course provides comprehensive experience in a simulated salon setting. Emphasis is placed on intermediate-level of skin care, manicuring, scalp treatments, shampooing, hair color, design, haircutting, chemical restructuring, pressing, and other related topics. Upon completion, students should be able to safely and competently demonstrate these salon services.

Prerequisites: Take all: COS 111 and COS 112

Corequisites: Take COS 116AB

COS 117AB. Cosmetology Concepts IV. 1.0 Credit. Class-1.0.

Clinical-0.0. Lab-0.0. Work-0.0

This course covers advanced cosmetology concepts. Topics include chemistry and hair structure, advanced cutting and design, and an overview of all cosmetology concepts in preparation for the licensing examination. Upon completion, students should be able to demonstrate an understanding of these cosmetology concepts and meet program completion requirements.

Prerequisites: Take all: COS 111 and COS 112

COS 117BB. Cosmetology Concepts IV. 1.0 Credit. Class-1.0.

Clinical-0.0. Lab-0.0. Work-0.0

This course covers advanced cosmetology concepts. Topics include chemistry and hair structure, advanced cutting and design, and an overview of all cosmetology concepts in preparation for the licensing examination. Upon completion, students should be able to demonstrate an understanding of these cosmetology concepts and meet program completion requirements.

Prerequisites: Take all: COS 111 and COS 112

Corequisites: Take COS 117AB

COS 117. Cosmetology Concepts IV. 2.0 Credits. Class-2.0.

Clinical-0.0. Lab-0.0. Work-0.0

This course covers advanced cosmetology concepts. Topics include chemistry and hair structure, advanced cutting and design, and an overview of all cosmetology concepts in preparation for the licensing examination. Upon completion, students should be able to demonstrate an understanding of these cosmetology concepts and meet program completion requirements.

Prerequisites: Take all: COS 111 and COS 112

COS 118AB. Salon IV. 3.5 Credits. Class-0.0. Clinical-0.0. Lab-10.5. Work-0.0

This course provides advanced experience in a simulated salon setting. Emphasis is placed on efficient and competent delivery of all salon services in preparation for the licensing examination and employment. Upon completion, students should be able to demonstrate competence in program requirements and the areas covered on the Cosmetology Licensing Examination and meet entry-level employment requirements. Prerequisites: Take all: COS 111 and COS 112

COS 118. Salon IV. 7.0 Credits. Class-0.0. Clinical-0.0. Lab-21.0. Work-0.0

This course provides advanced experience in a simulated salon setting. Emphasis is placed on efficient and competent delivery of all salon services in preparation for the licensing examination and employment. Upon completion, students should be able to demonstrate competence in program requirements and the areas covered on the Cosmetology Licensing Examination and meet entry-level employment requirements. Prerequisites: Take all: COS 111 and COS 112

COS 118BB. Salon IV. 3.5 Credits. Class-0.0. Clinical-0.0. Lab-10.5. Work-0.0

This course provides advanced experience in a simulated salon setting. Emphasis is placed on efficient and competent delivery of all salon services in preparation for the licensing examination and employment. Upon completion, students should be able to demonstrate competence in program requirements and the areas covered on the Cosmetology Licensing Examination and meet entry-level employment requirements.

Prerequisites: Take all: COS 111 and COS 112

Corequisites: Take COS 118AB

COS 223. Contemp Hair Coloring. 2.0 Credits. Class-1.0. Clinical-0.0. Lab-3.0. Work-0.0

This course covers basic color concepts, hair coloring problems, and application techniques. Topics include color theory, terminology, contemporary techniques, product knowledge, and other related topics. Upon completion, students should be able to identify a clients color needs and safely and competently perform color applications and correct problems.

Prerequisites: Take all: COS 111 and COS 112

COS 240. Contemporary Design. 2.0 Credits. Class-1.0. Clinical-0.0. Lab-3.0. Work-0.0

This course covers methods and techniques for contemporary designs. Emphasis is placed on contemporary designs and other related topics. Upon completion, students should be able to demonstrate and apply techniques associated with contemporary design.

Prerequisites: Take all: COS 111 and COS 112

COS 271. Instructor Concepts I. 5.0 Credits. Class-5.0. Clinical-0.0. Lab-0.0. Work-0.0

This course introduces the basic cosmetology instructional concepts. Topics include orientation, theories of education, unit planning, daily lesson planning, laboratory management, student assessment, record keeping, and other related topics. Upon completion, students should be able to identify theories of education, develop lesson plans, demonstrate supervisory techniques, and assess student performance in a classroom setting.

Corequisites: Take COS 272

COS 272. Instructor Practicum I. 7.0 Credits. Class-0.0. Clinical-0.0. Lab-21.0. Work-0.0

This course covers supervisory and instructional skills for teaching entry-level cosmetology students in a laboratory setting. Topics include demonstrations of services, supervision, and entry-level student assessment. Upon completion, students should be able to demonstrate salon services and instruct and objectively assess the entry-level student. Corequisites: Take COS 271

COS 273. Instructor Concepts II. 5.0 Credits. Class-5.0. Clinical-0.0. Lab-0.0. Work-0.0

This course covers advanced cosmetology instructional concepts. Topics include practical demonstrations, lesson planning, lecture techniques, development and administration of assessment tools, record keeping, and other related topics. Upon completion, students should be able to develop lesson plans, demonstrate supervision techniques, assess student performance in a classroom setting, and keep accurate records. Prerequisites: Take all: COS 271 and COS 272

Corequisites: Take COS 274

COS 274. Instructor Practicum II. 7.0 Credits. Class-0.0. Clinical-0.0. Lab-21.0. Work-0.0

This course is designed to develop supervisory and instructional skills for teaching advanced cosmetology students in a laboratory setting. Topics include practical demonstrations, supervision, and advanced student assessment. Upon completion, students should be able to demonstrate competence in the areas covered by the Instructor Licensing Examination and meet program completion requirements.

Prerequisites: Take all: COS 271 and COS 272

Corequisites: Take COS 273