

Cerritos College Cosmetology Department

Cosmetology Program Information

Thank you for your interest in the Cosmetology Program here at Cerritos College. This course will prepare you for a career in cosmetology by providing you the skills to cut, color, perm, straighten, and braid hair along with other applications and techniques. In addition, you will also learn manicuring, pedicuring and skin care. Approximately 75% of the 1600 hours is spent on performing hands-on applications.

The cosmetology course is offered either full-time during the day or part-time during the evening. The **Full-time program meets from 8:30-5:00 pm Mon.-Fri.** and will take **approximately one year** to complete. The **Part-time program is offered 5:30-10:30 pm Mon.-Thurs.** and takes **approximately two years** to complete. Upon completion of the course, the student will have earned approximately 60 college units, 37 of which can be applied to an Associate of Arts Degree. An additional 23 units will need to be completed to earn a degree; the additional classes to obtain your **AA degree** are:

- 3 units of READ 54 **or passing score on the Reading Proficiency Test**
- 3 units of ENGL 52, ENGL 155, BCOM 147 **or passing score on English Proficiency Test**
- 4 units of MATH 60 **or passing score on the Math Placement Test**
- 1 unit Health and Wellness
- 3 units of Physical Science or Biological Science
- 3 units of U.S Political Science or U.S. History
- 3 units of Fine Arts or Humanities
- 3 units English Composition
- 3 units Communication/Analytical Thinking
- 3 units of the student's choice from an approved GE course
(*Recommended: BA153 Small Business Management*)

At present, the **approximate total cost for the course is \$3000.00.** Prices are subject to change. The breakdown of costs is as follows:

- \$20.00 per unit (Each full-time semester is 19.5 units which comes to \$390.00 per full-time semester. Each part-time semester is 10 units which comes to \$200.00 per part-time semester)
- \$20.00 for Parking (per semester)
- \$14.00 for Student Health Fees (per semester)
- \$10.00 for Student I.D. Fee (per semester)
- \$100.00 for Miscellaneous costs (per semester)
- \$1045.00 for Equipment Kit (one time purchase)
- \$250.00 for Textbooks (one time purchase)

Some possible career options that are available with a California Cosmetology License are:

- Hair Stylist
- Movie Studio Stylist
- Platform Artist
- Product Educator for major manufacturers (Redken, TIGI, Paul Mitchell etc.)
- Cosmetology Educator for learning institutions such as Cerritos College

*Any additional questions, please contact the Cosmetology Department at:
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