

Training for a new career as a barber gives you an opportunity to make men and women alike feel like their best selves everyday.

Barbers cut, trim, shampoo, and style hair. They also may fit hairpieces, perform facials, and offer facial shaving.

You'll even learn chemical hair services such as coloring, bleaching, and highlighting hair. Common tools include combs, scissors, straight razors, and clippers.

### Program Objective

Students in the Barbering program will gain the knowledge necessary to be successful in the barbering industry.

The program consists of comprehensive instruction in the practice of barbering including hair and scalp treatments, facials and massage, shaving and facial hair design, haircutting and styling techniques and hair replacement. Business skills and general sciences will also be covered.

Training will include classroom theory and hands-on learning working on models and guests in the student clinic. In addition to a strong foundation of safety, appropriate work habits, and business skills, graduates are prepared to take the State Board Examination, and upon passing, begin working in entry-level careers as a licensed barber, in a salon, spa, or barbershop.

### Employment Outlook / Career Potential

- Faster than the average of all occupations through 2026 — **an employment increase of 13%.\***
- Colorado is among the top 5 states with highest employment of barbers.\*
- Barbers may be employed as: Barbers, Spa or salon worker, Barber Apprentice, Barbershop Manager/Director, Barbershop Owner/Operator, Hairdresser, Master Barber, Men's Hairstylist, and/or Vocational education teacher (after some experience in the field).

\*U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics Occupational Outlook Handbook: Barbers, Hairstylists and Cosmetologists. For more information, please see IBMC's Career Services Department.

### Program Overview: Minimum Clock Hours, Course Area

#### HAIRSTYLING: 1080 Clock Hours

60	BAR100	Treatment of Hair and Scalp
270	BAR115	Haircutting
270	BAR120	Hairstyling
240	BAR125	Chemical Hair Services
240	BAR130	Hair Coloring and Hair Tinting

#### SKIN CARE: 180 Clock Hours

90	BAR105	Facial Massage and Treatments
90	BAR110	Shaving

#### SALON and BUSINESS SKILLS: 240 Clock Hours

30	BAR135	Laws, Rules and Regulations
30	BAR140	Management, Ethics, Interpersonal Skills and Salesmanship
180	BAR145	Disinfection, Cleaning, and Safe Work Practices



### Instructor/Student Ratio

**Theory class:** 1 instructor per 25 students

**Lab class:** 1 instructor per 20 students

### Course Breakdown

**Total Clock Hours: 1,500**

**Total Weeks: 50-75**

*Enrollment in entire program and completion of all program content required to fulfill cumulative grading and final grading requirements for successful program completion.*