

Diploma COSMETOLOGY

Program available at all IBMC campuses

Fort Collins
Greeley
Longmont



Training for a new career is a beautiful thing in the Cosmetology program — where creative, innovative students enjoy making people look and feel their best. Individuals gain valuable experience in the beauty field, both through lecture classes and hands-on practice.

Students will perform dynamic coursework, and the diversity of the program allows learners to graduate with the knowledge to perform a vast array of cosmetic services — from head to toe.

Program Objective

Students in the Cosmetology program receive comprehensive instruction in the areas of hair, nails, and skin care services.

Training will include both classroom and hands-on learning by working on models and guests in the Student Beauty Services Clinic.

In addition to a strong foundation of safety, appropriate work habits, and business skills, students are prepared to take the State Board Examination and begin working in entry-level careers as Licensed Cosmetologists in a salon or spa after graduation.

Employment Outlook / Career Potential

- Faster than the average of all occupations through 2026 — **an employment increase of 13%.***
- Cosmetologists may be employed by/as: hairstylists, health spas, beauty spas, makeup artists, medical offices, salons, self-employed or adult and vocational education teachers.

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



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

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

Program Overview: Minimum Clock Hours, Course Area

HAIRSTYLING: 725 Clock Hours

50 COS101.1 Shampooing, Rinsing and Conditioning

200 COS102.1 Haircoloring

200 COS103.1 Haircutting

175 COS104.1 Hairstyling

100 COS105.1 Chemical Texture Services

NAIL SKILLS: 300 Clock Hours

175 COS111.1 Manicuring and Pedicuring

125 COS112.1 Application of Artificial Nails

SKIN CARE: 300 Clock Hours

175 COS121.1 Facials and Skin Care

25 COS122.1 Facial Makeup

75 COS123.1 Hair Removal

SALON and BUSINESS SKILLS: 200 Clock Hours

25 COS131.1 Laws, Rules and Regulations

25 COS132.1 Management, Ethics, Interpersonal Skills and Salesmanship

150 COS133.1 Disinfection, Sanitation, and Safe Work Practices