

A career in hairstyling allows students to enter a creative profession and work with an array of clientele. This program provides students the professional communication skills and knowledge needed to deliver the right cut, color or hairstyle.

Future hairstylists graduate the program understanding how to interact with customers and deliver professional hair care services.

Program Objective

This program is designed to provide students with the necessary knowledge and the skills needed to perform the services of hair cutting, coloring and styling. Students gain a strong foundation in safety and hygiene, learn professional work habits, and are taught business fundamentals — areas that prepare students for the State Board Examination.

Training will include both classroom and hands-on experience by practicing on models, as well as guests in the Student Beauty Services Clinic.

Graduates complete the program ready for an entry-level position working in a spa or a salon.

Employment Outlook / Career Potential

- Faster than the average of all occupations through 2026 an employment increase of 13%.*
- Hairstylists typically work for/as: hair and beauty salons, day spas, stylists, business owners, residential facilities, department stores, cruise lines, or assisted living facilities.

*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: 1,200 Total Weeks: 40

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: 870 Clock Hours			
60	COS101	Shampooing, Rinsing and Conditioning	
240	COS102	Haircoloring	
240	COS103	Haircutting	
210	COS104	Hairstyling	
120	COS105	Chemical Texture Services	

SALON and BUSINESS SKILLS: 370 Clock Hours

30	COS131	Laws, Rules and Regulations
30	COS132	Management, Ethics, Interpersonal Skills and Salesmanship
270	COS134	Disinfection, Sanitation, and Safe Work Practices