

Human Services Career Cluster

The Human Services career cluster focuses on preparing individuals for employment in career pathways that relate to families and human needs such as counseling and mental health services, family and community services, personal care services, and consumer services. This career cluster includes occupations ranging from community health workers to cosmetologists and nutritionists.

Cosmetology



Cosmetology is a three-year program designed to provide students with the technical skills to become a licensed Cosmetology Operator. Cosmetologists provide personal beauty service to customers in hairstyling, bleaching, tinting, permanent waving, scalp and hair conditioning, hair cutting, facials and manicures. Cosmetology students participate in classroom instruction as well as laboratory-based instruction and evening salon nights to gain the required knowledge and skills for the Cosmetology Operator license. The Texas Cosmetology Commission requires that a public-school student complete a minimum of 1,000 laboratory hours of cosmetology concurrently with 500 hours of successful academic instruction.

Secondary Courses for High School Credit

Level 1

- Principles of Cosmetology Design and Color Theory
- Microbiology and Safety for Cosmetology Careers

Level 2

- None

Level 3

- Cosmetology I

Level 4

- Cosmetology II

** Practicum in Human Services I & II – Cosmetology (H) ¹



Work-Based Learning and Expanded Learning Opportunities

Exploration Activities	Work-Based Learning Activities
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Participate in SkillsUSA | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Job shadow a cosmetologist Work part-time at a salon, spa, or barbershop |
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Industry-Based Certifications

- Cosmetology Operator License ¹



Postsecondary Opportunities

Certificate/License

- Certified Aesthetic Laser Operator
- Cosmetologist
- Certified Spa Supervisor
- Nail Technician/Specialist and Manicurist

Associates Degrees

- Cosmetology/Cosmetologist, General
- Aesthetician/Esthetician and Skin Care Specialist
- Salon/Beauty Salon Management/Manager
- Cosmetology, Barber/Styling, and Nail Instructor

Aligned Occupations

Occupations	Median Wage	Annual Openings	% Growth
First-Line Supervisors of Personal Service Workers	\$41,500	2,200	29%
Barbers	\$37,300	1,000	25%
Hairdressers, Hairstylists, and Cosmetologists	\$30,700	8,000	25%
Skincare Specialists	\$39,800	770	38%

Successful completion of the Cosmetology regional program of study will fulfill requirements of the Public Service endorsement. Revised – May 2024

Cosmetology Course Information

Level 1

COURSE NAME	SERVICE ID	PREREQUISITES	GRADE LEVEL(S)
Principles of Cosmetology Design and Color Theory	13025050 (1 credit)	Cosmetology I	Fall of 11
Microbiology and Safety for Cosmetology Careers	N1302540 (1 credit)	Cosmetology I & Principles of Cosmetology Design and Color Theory	Spring of 11

Level 2

COURSE NAME	SERVICE ID	PREREQUISITES	GRADE LEVEL(S)
None	-	-	-

Level 3

COURSE NAME	SERVICE ID	PREREQUISITES	GRADE LEVEL(S)
Cosmetology I	13025200 (2 credits)	None	10

Level 4

COURSE NAME	SERVICE ID	PREREQUISITES	GRADE LEVEL(S)
Cosmetology II	13025300 (2 credits)	Cosmetology I	Full Year of 11

**** Mesquite ISD students pursuing this Program of Study will take Practicum in Human Services I & II – Cosmetology (H) during their 12th grade year.**

FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ON THE HUMAN SERVICES CAREER CLUSTER,
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