

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.

Regional Program of Study: Cosmetology and Personal Care Services Approved in ESC Regions 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 16, 17, 18, 19, & 20

*The list of approved ESC regions is updated every school year. Be sure to check the CTE regional program of study website for updates.

The Cosmetology and Personal Care Services regional program of study focuses on occupational and educational opportunities as sociated with providing beauty and personal care services. This program of study includes managing personal care facilities and coordinating or supervising personal service workers.

Secondary Courses for High School Credit



Level 1 •	Princip	les of Cosmeto	ology Design and	Color Theory
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Level 2 •	Introduction to Cosmetology
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Level 3 • Cosmetology I + Cosmetology I Lab

• Barbering I

Level 4 • Cosmetology II + Cosmetology II Lab

Example Postsecondary Opportunities

Apprenticeships

Apprentice Stylist

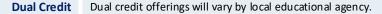
Associate Degrees

- Cosmetology Operator
- Esthetics and Skin Care

Additional Stackable IBCs/License

- Class A Barber
- Eyelash Extension Specialist
- Hair Weaving Specialist

Aligned Advanced Academic Courses



Students should be advised to consider these course opportunities to enrich their preparation. AP or IB courses not listed under the Secondary Courses for High School Credit section of this framework document do not count towards concentrator/completer status for this program of study.

Work-Based Learning and Expanded Learning Opportunities

Work-Based Learning Activities

- Work part-time in a salon, spa, or barbershop
- Participate in an apprenticeship at a salon to become an apprentice stylist

Expanded Learning Opportunities

- Tour a salon, spa, or barbershop
- Participate in SkillsUSA

Aligned Industry-Based Certifications

Cosmetology Operator License



Example Aligned Occupations

Hairdressers, Hairstylists, and Cosmetologists

Median Wage: \$27,286 Annual Openings: 8,014 10-Year Growth: 25%

Skincare Specialists

Median Wage: \$35,112 Annual Openings: 778 10-Year Growth: 38%

First-Line Supervisors of Personal Service Workers

Median Wage: \$36,795 Annual Openings: 2,253 10-Year Growth: 29%

Data Source: TexasWages, Texas Workforce Commission. Retrieved 3/8/2024.



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