



# 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 associated 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

Level 2 • Introduction to Cosmetology

Level 3 • Cosmetology I

Level 4 • Cosmetology II

## Aligned Advanced Academic Courses

**Dual Credit** Dual credit offerings will vary by local educational agency.

*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 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



## 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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