



2007-2008 Career Planning Guide

COSMETOLOGY

Spokane Community College

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1810 North Greene Street
Spokane, Washington 99217-5399
www.scc.spokane.edu

Completion Award: A.A.S. Degree

Start: Fall, Winter, Spring

Tuition and Fees: <http://www.ccs.spokane.edu/fees.html>

Approximate Quarterly Cost: (subject to change without notice)

Books (estimate, six quarters)	\$	250
Supplies and Equipment (estimate, six quarters)	\$	50

Major purchases made in the first quarter for books, supplies, equipment and uniforms.

PROGRAM WEBSITE: <http://www.scc.spokane.edu/?cosmet>

Program Description

Cosmetology is a diverse field that offers a variety of employment opportunities. SCC's cosmetology program provides the education and training needed to successfully compete in today's job market. Upon successful completion of the 1,600 hour program, students are prepared to take the Washington State Board Exam. After passing this exam, they will receive a license for cosmetology.

This program includes haircutting and styling, permanent waving, chemical relaxing, tinting and bleaching, and temporary superfluous hair removal; manicuring and pedicuring of natural nails; and basic skin care. In addition, safety and sanitation measures are stressed throughout the program. Students also must complete a first aid class. Students will be given review testing and simulated performance evaluations in preparation for the state licensing examination.

Students must complete the program and pass the exit exams in order to be prepared to take the Washington State examination for cosmetology.

Additional requirements for the A.A.S. degree consist of general education requirements in the areas of written communications, human relations/leadership and computation. These courses are offered as prerequisites to the program. Those students who are on a waiting list are required to take these courses to enroll in the program. Students should check with the counseling department for assistance in planning their schedules.

PHYSICAL REQUIREMENTS:

- Normal or corrected vision.
- Physical dexterity, i.e., small grasp manipulation.
- Must be able to work with arms at shoulder level for extended periods of time.
- Must be able to stand for extended periods of time.

Career Opportunities

Job opportunities are very good for newcomers to this field, as well as for the experienced cosmetologist and those seeking part-time work. Among the factors responsible for employment growth is the more frequent use of cosmetic services as income levels rise, and the growing popularity of male clientele in the beauty salon. Many cosmetologists are paid on a straight commission basis; others receive a salary plus commission; others, a straight salary. Some cosmetologists are self employed.

POTENTIAL POSITIONS INCLUDE: Assistant to stylist, hair dresser, salon manager, instructor, nail care, wig stylist, chemical technician, stylist, cosmetologist, skin care, hair cutter, platform artist, retail sales cosmetologist and salon or school owner.

Suggested Course of Study 2007-2008

Consult Adviser/Counselor for Program Planning and Selection of Electives

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