

Frequently Asked Questions & Important Information

The Cosmetology Department at Nash Community College prepares you for a career in the field of cosmetic arts (hair, skin and nails). We offer 3 Programs outcomes: AAA, Diploma and Certificate. Upon completion of the program, you will be eligible to sit for the [NC State Board of Cosmetic Art Examiners](#) Licensure test. A license is required to practice Cosmetic Arts in the state of NC.

Note: The program has clinical and theory hour requirements (1200 or 1500). You must have good attendance to complete the program. There are courses you will need to graduate that are only offered in the summer. There are additional costs to the program beyond tuition.

How long is the program? When are classes? Is there a night option?

Full-time enrollment is offered during the day. Classes are typically 8:00am-2:30pm M-Th and 8:00am-12:30pm F. Full time takes 4 semesters. Part-time enrollment is offered at night. Classes are typically 6:00pm-9:30pm. Part-time takes 7 semesters to complete. Per the NC State Board of Cosmetic Art Examiners, program hours expire after 5 years. You must complete the program and apply for testing within 5 years of enrolling in the program.

When should I apply?

The Cosmetology Program accepts incoming applications in Fall and Spring Semesters. Enrollment is limited. You should apply early so you are ready to enroll in classes when registration opens.

How do I apply and register for classes?

Information on how to apply is located at <https://nashcc.edu/admissions/>. After you have finished the application process, you can register for classes during the registration period by visiting the Advising Center.

What is the cost?

Estimated Cost of Program:

- Tuition \$87 per credit hour;

- The approximate cost of cosmetology books is \$450.00
- The approximate cost of the cosmetology Kit is \$525.00
- Uniforms- \$60 each
- Kit supplements- Price varies. You will need to purchase extra manikins throughout your time in the program. Manikins range between \$45-100. You will also likely want to add to your kit with your personal preference of tools.
- Approximate cost (Field Trips) \$100.00

What if I started a Cosmetology program at another school?

Educational work done in other institutions may, where applicable, be credited toward the Cosmetology Program at Nash Community College. The student must file an official transcript of all previous work. A minimum of 25 percent must be completed at Nash Community College. Transfer credit will not be granted for any grade lower than a "C," OR for courses completed more than 5 years ago unless a degree was earned. Records of prior work will be evaluated and final acceptance or rejection of the transfer credit is determined by Nash Community College. (See NCC Academic Catalog)

Nash Community College requires a proficiency exam to be completed and passed before enrollment into the cosmetology curriculum. Additionally, 21 NCAC 14T .0701 (r) A cosmetic art student must complete at least 1/3 of the minimum required hours in the cosmetic art school certifying his or her application for the state board examination (500 hours) from which the student will graduate. Finally, a cosmetology transfer student will be required by the Nash Community Cosmetology Department to provide the names, phone numbers, and/ or addresses of contact persons for a personal letter of reference from all previous cosmetology schools attended.

For additional information, contact the Director of the Cosmetology Department.

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