

ADVANCED COSMETOLOGY
SOC Code 39.5012
Method of Delivery: Residential

The Advanced Cosmetology program is a 1500-hour course of instruction designed to develop advanced-level technical proficiency, increased practical experience and career-advancement skills within the field of barbering. This program includes the 1000 hours required for California Board of Barbering and Cosmetology licensure and an additional 500 hours of expanded training focused on skill refinement, service efficiency and professional growth. The program length for the Day Schedule is 43 weeks, and the Evening Schedule is 60 weeks. Students receive comprehensive training through the Bellus Academy Cut and Color system, with an emphasis on increased hands-on application, advanced service techniques, and higher-volume practical experience in both classroom and clinic environments. The additional training hours are concentrated in key service areas such as haircutting, hairstyling, and chemical services, allowing students to build greater confidence, speed and consistency in real-world scenarios. The program also includes expanded instruction in: Advanced client consultation and customization; Business development and performance tracking; Marketing strategies and client retention; and Financial literacy and career planning. Through increased practical application and advanced instruction, students develop the ability to perform services with a higher level of precision, efficiency and professionalism. This program may benefit individuals seeking to strengthen their technical skill set, increase hands-on experience, or advance their career readiness beyond entry-level training.

COURSE OBJECTIVES:

The program is designed to prepare students to:

1. Meet and exceed entry-level performance expectations in a salon environment.
2. Perform a higher volume of services with increased technical confidence
3. Expand service offerings and enhance client experience
4. Pursue career advancement opportunities within the cosmetology industry.

METHODS OF INSTRUCTION SHALL INCLUDE:

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| 1. Lecture | 5. Video |
| 2. Teaching aids | 6. Demonstration |
| 3. Testing (oral/written) | 7. Role-Play |
| 4. Student participation in practice | 8. Online Theory using hardware and software to access online content |

ADVANCED COSMETOLOGY COURSE OUTLINE:

Pursuant to B&P 7362.5(c) the curriculum for a cosmetology course shall, at a minimum, include technical and practical instruction in the following areas:	MINIMUM HOURS	MINIMUM PROCEDURES
Health and Safety: Including instruction on hazardous substances, chemical safety, safety data sheets, protection from hazardous chemicals, preventing chemical injuries, health and safety laws and regulations, and preventing communicable diseases.	100	
Board Approved Health & Safety Course (B&P 7389(a)): Including instruction on hazardous substances, basic labor laws, and physical and sexual assault awareness.		
Disinfection and Sanitation: Including instruction on disinfection procedures to protect the health and safety of consumers as well as the technician and proper disinfection procedures for equipment used in establishments.	100	10
Chemical Hair Services: Including instruction on coloring, straightening, waving, bleaching, hair analysis, predisposition and strand tests, safety precautions, formula mixing, and the use of dye removers.	350	155
Hairstyling Services: Including instruction on arranging, blow drying, cleansing, curling, dressing, hair analysis, shampooing, waving, and nonchemical straightening, and hair cutting, including the use of shears, razors, electrical clippers and trimmers, and thinning shears, for wet and dry cutting.	350	320
Skin Care: Including instruction on chemical and manual facials and massaging, stimulating, exfoliating, cleansing, or beautifying the face, scalp, neck, or body by the use of hands, esthetic devices, cosmetic products, antiseptics, lotions, tonics, or creams that do not result in the ablation or destruction of the live tissue.	200	40
Hair Removal and Lash and Brow Beautification: Including instruction on tinting and perming eyelashes and brows and applying eyelashes to any person and includes removing superfluous hair from the body of any person by use of depilatories, tweezers, sugaring, nonprescription chemicals, or waxing, or by the use of devices and appliances of any kind or description, except by the use of lasers or light waves, which are commonly known as rays	75	30
Manicure and Pedicure: Including instruction on water and oil manicures, hand and arm massage, foot and ankle massage,	150	25

nail analysis, and artificial nail services, including, but not limited to, acrylic, liquid and powder brush-ons, dip, tips, wraps, and repairs.

Additional Instruction and Training:

Including career development skills, business and marketing strategies, financial literacy, and clinic floor practicum. Externships (for those who qualify.).

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GRADING POLICY:

Bellus Academy's course provides education and training in the areas associated with skills needed to graduate that are measured by course objectives. The school maintains complete records on each student or graduate for reference as required by the State. All students receive a complete theory and practical test after each section of the program has been completed. Individual tutoring, if needed, is available in preparation for the state exam. Grading to evaluate learning objectives via distance education theory is primarily through tests. Each student is graded on their theory and practical work, attendance, appearance, and attitude. The grading used is as follows:

93 – 100	EXCELLENT
85 – 92	VERY GOOD
75 – 84	SATISFACTORY
74 and BELOW	UNSATISFACTORY

Written progress reports are maintained by the academy. Students receive progress reports that must be signed and kept in their file at least two (2) times during their program. Informal progress reports are distributed monthly and are available on the Bellus App so students can keep track of their progress. Additional progress reports may be issued to students as requested or on an as needed basis determined by the instructor.

OCCUPATIONAL TITLES:

Cosmetologists entering the job market can be employed as assistants or stylists. Cosmetologists may also enter the employment field as a makeup artist, manicurist, facialist, hair color technician, ethnic styles specialist or haircutter.

CLASS AVAILABILITY:

Classes are conducted, in residency Monday through Friday from 9:00 am to 4:30 pm for day students and Monday through Friday from 5:00 pm to 10:00 pm for night students. Please see the Class Start Calendar in the Catalog for Start dates.

REQUIRED TEXTS AND ACCESS:

Hardware and software to access Pivot Point LAB digital textbook for Cosmetology and Workbook, included in the kit cost.

LANGUAGE

The course is conducted in the English language.

INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIAL is updated periodically and includes textbooks and equipment required for successful completion of the program.

When the kit, its contents, and the textbooks have been issued to the student, they become the financial and personal responsibility of that student. Kit supplies may vary due to manufacturer availability.

Note: The academy provides sufficient supplies and informational material to each student to reinforce their learning. Such materials are issued based on instructional subject areas.