

**NORTHERN LIGHTS COLLEGE
REGISTRAR'S OFFICE
PROGRAM INFORMATION AND COMPLETION GUIDE**

Program Name: Cosmetology
Credential/Certification: Diploma in Cosmetology
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Program Description:

Cosmetologists provide personal care services that include caring for people's hair, skin and nails. Professionals employed in the cosmetology industry include hairstylists, barbers and estheticians. This diploma program takes students through the Esthetics group of skin and nail treatments, and Hairstylist training. The Hairstylist and Esthetics programs are each approximately 32 weeks in length and are combined with a professional portfolio at the end which to make up the 2-year diploma in Cosmetology. Hairstylist and Esthetics both begin every September. Once a student completes one of the programs, they can proceed to the next in the second year (the order is not important).

Both programs have large practical components where students will spend time working in the NLC salons. Students will have theory, salon operations training and hands-on salon client days where they practice the skills they are learning in class.

Esthetics includes training in facials, body massage, body treatments, aromatherapy, makeup artistry, waxing and tinting.

Hairstylist training covers the Industry Training Authority (ITA) certified apprenticeship programming including haircuts, styling, shampoo and scalp treatments, as well as chemically treating hair using colour and permanent wave solutions.

Throughout both these two programs, students will be working on their professional portfolio and at end they will produce a capstone project which will combine the two disciplines into a final project.

Admission Requirements:

Provide British Columbia secondary school transcripts or equivalent indicating successful completion of Grade 10 level that includes:

- Grade 10 English, OR Career and College Preparation ENGL 030 (Advanced/Grade 10) with C+ or higher;

- Grade 10 Math (Apprenticeship and Workplace Math), OR Career and College Preparation MATH 030 (Intermediate Developmental Math), MATH 031 (Intermediate Trades Math) or MATH 035 (Intermediate Algebraic Math) with C+ or higher.

- Grade 10 Science, or Science 030, with C+ or higher

OR

ESTR 037 (Intermediate-Level Essential Skills for Trades) with 67% or higher

OR

Complete the following sections of the Canadian Adult Achievement Test (CAAT):

- Reading Comprehension: 11.0 grade equivalent or higher

- Number Operations: 11.0 grade equivalent or higher

- Problem Solving: 11.0 grade equivalent or higher

- Science: 11.0 grade equivalent or higher

Dual Credit

- Grade 10 level completion that includes Grade 10 English, Grade 10 Math (Apprenticeship and Workplace Math), Grade 10 Science all with C+ or higher.

International an IELTS 5.5 no score less than 5. "Other English language tests may be accepted by decision of the Dean, in consultation with the International Education Department and the Office of the Registrar".

OR

Completion of NLC's Certificate in Hairstylist Foundation program

OR

Completion of NLC's Certificate in Esthetics program.

Length of Program: (weeks and total hours) approx. 64 weeks /1931 hours

Program Intake: (start/finish dates) See Trades Schedule

Available Seats: 16

Application Deadline: 30 days prior and on case by case basis pending availability

Career Prospects: A career in cosmetology can lead to a variety of professions in the beauty industry, including:
hairstylist, nail technician, salon or spa manager, beautician, wedding and event stylist, makeup artist, esthetician, cosmetic sales representative, instructor or beauty columnist.
As with any profession, the opportunities can lead to a varied career.

Affiliations/Partnerships: Industry Training Authority, SD 59, 60, 81 and 87

Location: Dawson Creek

Additional Requirements/Supplies: (fees, supplies, materials)

Basic equipment kits for both hairstyling and for esthetics is provided to each student at the beginning of each part of the two programs. These kits include tools necessary for each program.

Eligibility for Canada Student Loans: (Yes or No)

Yes

Required Minimum Grade: (overall and/or minimum within a course)

70%

Residency Requirement: (percentage of courses which must be taken at NLC)

100%

Required Courses: (list courses required to complete credential
and total hours for each course)

HAIR 101 Hairstylist Fundamentals (471 hrs)

HAIR 102 Hairstylist Salon Operations (472 hrs)

COSM 101 Hairstylist Portfolio (24 hrs)

ESTH 105 Esthetics and Spa Therapy 1 (455 hrs)

ESTH 115 Esthetics and Spa Therapy 2 (455 hrs)

COSM 102 Esthetics Portfolio (24 hrs)

COSM 250 Cosmetology Capstone (30 hrs)