

Hair Professionals (Hairdressing/Barbering) Intermediate Apprenticeship Standard

Ofsted Outstanding Provider

Course Level: Level 2

Campus: Newcastle

Subject Type: Hairdressing, Beauty & Media Make-Up

Course Overview:

As an apprentice, you will learn the essential hairdressing and barbering techniques, including cutting, colouring, styling, and shaving. Through hands-on experience in salon settings and theoretical instruction, apprentices develop proficiency in client consultation and product knowledge.

Upon completion, apprentices are equipped with the skills and knowledge necessary to provide high-quality hairdressing or barbering services, contributing to the success of salons and meeting the needs of their clientele.

What's Covered:

You will complete the Level 2 Diploma for Hair Professionals (Hairdressing/Barbering) as part of your apprenticeship.

The topics you will cover whilst training include the following core hairdressing topics:

Professionalism and values, behaviours and communication in the salon and, health and safety in the salon. The core topics will also include consultations with clients – to creatively assess the client's requirements; examine the hair, skin, scalp and facial shape; conduct visual checks and any necessary tests and advise clients on services or products and hair maintenance and management.

Hairdressing:

- Shampoo, condition and hair treatments and how to consult with your client to establish the hair and scalp type and use the appropriate products.
- Style and finish hair, you will be trained how to blow dry and set the hair effectively producing different styles using various techniques.
- Cutting training will cover 4 different haircuts and incorporate advanced techniques to personalise the cut to suit different face shapes and lifestyles.
- Colouring will cover the application of root re growths, full head applications and toning.
- Fashionable colouring techniques including balayage, root dragging and highlighting effects using different methods, products and different materials will be introduced into your training.

The optional unit will cover either perming or hair extensions whichever is used more in the salon that you choose to work in.

Barbering:

- Shampoo, condition and hair treatments and how to consult with your client to establish the hair and scalp type and use the appropriate products.
- Cutting training in barbering techniques to create a range of looks and neckline shapes for men's hair to include flat top, and uniform layer neckline shapes: square, tapered, skin fade, and full neck line.

- Style and finish hair men's hair - you will be trained in the current techniques for drying and finishing hair, drying and finishing products and, tools and equipment available.
- Cutting training in techniques to cut different facial hair shapes, beard and moustache shapes that do not require the use of razors, and create outline and detailing design in hair.
- Men's shaving services – you will be trained on the types of blades available, lathering products, the structure and function of the skin, lathering and the function it performs on the skin, in-growing hairs, and the effect of heat on the hair and skin.

Entry Requirements:

You will need to hold a relevant level GCSE E (grade 2) Maths and English. You will be expected to undertake functional skills at level 2 in these subjects to show progression.

Assessment Information:

Your progress is continually monitored throughout the course. Assessments are arranged when necessary and these take place on-the-job.

Assessments will include: observation of your performance; responses to written and/or spoken questions to show your knowledge and understanding; e-portfolio of supporting evidence containing testimonies, reflective accounts and photographic evidence to show technical competence in each area.

You will be required to complete an independent end point assessment at the end of your apprenticeship which will include a 6 hour practical assessment and oral questioning, both of which will take place at the college. This will assess your professionalism, values, behaviours, communication, safe working practices and consultations skills.

Fees and Financial Support:

While you are on an apprenticeship your employer pays you a salary and supports you whilst you undertake your training

Progression:

Typical job roles include:

Hairdressing:

Attend to clients using excellent customer service skills offering refreshments and preparing the clients for their hairdressing service. You will shampoo and condition client's hair and blow-dry using different brushes on different hair types and styles. You will also remove colouring products ready for the stylist. Following on from your off the job training you will be allowed to apply colour to client's hair including root re growths and full head colours progressing onto the more advanced colouring techniques i.e. foiling and slicing. You will assist the senior stylists to prepare for hairdressing services for example ensure that tools and equipment are ready to be used, prepare colouring materials ie; foils or meche .

Barbering:

Attend to clients using excellent customer service skills offering refreshments and preparing the clients for their barbering service. You will shampoo and condition hair, cut hair using barbering techniques, style and finish, cut facial hair into shape and provide shaving services for men.

Hairdressers and Barbers must be able to work with all hair types ranging from straight hair to very curly, wiry hair. They also need to be able to carry out consultations with clients, demonstrate the professionalism, values, behaviours, and communication skills with clients and safe working practices associated with their role and be able to work without supervision to a high level of precision, with exceptional client care skills.

Your employer will allow you to train and expand your skills on models that they or you have provided has part of a full training programme in the salon alongside attending college once a week.

If you successfully achieve all parts of the apprenticeship, your assessor will discuss with you and your employer the next steps to take. Dependent on your roles and responsibilities, this may be the next level of the subject you have been studying already or a different pathway.

What else do I need to know?

On an apprenticeship programme you usually will work for a minimum of 30 hours a week for the employer and then have one day a week at college or designated time in the workplace.

Some job roles will require a DBS before starting, you will be advised at interview stage if this is required.

Whilst you are on an apprenticeship your employer pays you a salary, this includes all off the job

training as well.

How do I find out more?

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