TURN YOUR ENTHUSIASM FOR HAIR + BEAUTY INTO A CAREER

WASHBURN TECH

Cosmetology (HOSPITALITY + HUMAN SERVICES)

Receive hands-on learning opportunities that will give you the confidence to enter the complex and growing field of hair and beauty. Prepare yourself for an industry where new products and techniques are business as usual. Enroll now to train in a real, working salon and become a cut above the rest!

LEARNING AT WASHBURN TECH

This 51-credit-hour program provides graduates with the knowledge and skills they need to work in cosmetology. Students will learn how to artistically integrate haircutting and hairstyling for all clientele types, manage their hair color and permanent waving, apply facials and skincare as well as marketing and salon customer service. Attending full-day, you can complete the program in 10 months, while half-day students can complete the program in 24 months. Upon successful completion, you will be prepared to earn a license from the Kansas Board of Cosmetology.

JOB AND SALARY OUTLOOK

+ hair stylist

+ esthetician

+ educator

+ makeup artist

Job opportunities are plentiful for hairdressers, hairstylists and cosmetologists. According to the Kansas Department of Labor, the average salary in this field in 2024 was \$17.65 an hour or \$36,714 annually. The entry-level wage was \$9.86 an hour or \$20,510 annually.

CAREERS IN COSMETOLOGY »

- + salon manager/owner
 - beauty content creator
 - + sales representative
 - + brand/product ambassador

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

For dual-credit high school students submission of an application, official partial transcript, and consent to enroll form are required. Adult students must complete an application and submit an official copy of all transcripts. Please see an admissions counselor for details.

CERTIFICATIONS + KS Board of Cosmetology license



Build your best self.

TALK TO AN ADMISSIONS COUNSELOR TODAY!

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Cosmetology

COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

SCIENTIFIC CONCEPTS

Provides students with classroom instruction on sanitation, hair and scalp, skin and nails as prescribed by the Kansas Board of Cosmetology

PHYSICAL SERVICES

Students gain both classroom and clinical instruction in shampoos and rinses, scalp and hair care, facials and makeup, manicuring, pedicures and artificial nail enhancements

DESIGN SERVICES

Students build on prior course; course provides both classroom and clinical instruction in basic hair shaping, hair styling and thermal techniques

CHEMICAL SERVICES

Instruction covers chemical hair services; color application techniques, retouch application, foiling techniques, free-hand techniques, permanent waving, and chemical services that are for hair texture, relaxing and curl formation

BUSINESS PRACTICES/ STUDENT-SPECIFIC NEEDS

This course includes classroom instruction in management practices, salon development, insurance, client records and salesmanship

COSMETOLOGY STATE LAW

This course provides classroom instruction in the Kansas Board of Cosmetology General Laws, Rules and Regulations

2025-2026 PROGRAM COSTS (Estimated)

	HIGH SCHOOL	ADULT
Tuition	*FREE	\$8,415
All other fees	\$1,390	\$3,667
TOTAL	\$1,390	\$12,082

*Tiered courses are paid by Excel in CTE. Non-tiered courses are paid by the student.

ADDITIONAL CHARGES**(Estimated)

A list of required tools/books can be found on WashburnTech.edu.	HIGH SCHOOL	ADULT
Cost not covered by CTE	\$2,280	n/a

****COST NOTE FOR HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS**

The State of Kansas pays tuition costs through a high school student's senior year. However, high school students can only complete 32-38 hours of the 52-hour program in four semesters and an optional summer period between their junior and senior years. Additional hours, as a post-secondary student, are required to complete the program and costs are dependent upon number of hours remaining for completion. See a recruiter for details.

MORE INFO »

For more programs, enrollment and course schedule information, please contact Admissions. Financial Aid is available to those who qualify.

CALL 785.670.2200

TO TALK W/ ADMISSIONS COUNSELOR

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APPLICATION CHECKLIST

SUBMIT MEET WITH SUBMIT APPLICATION ADMISSIONS TRANSCRIPT(S)

ENROLL IN CLASSES

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