



**Utah System of Higher Education**  
Hair Design  
FY2026 / 24 Credits (900 Clock-Hours)

## **Foundational Courses**

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### **TECS 1010 Cosmetology/Barbering/Hair Design Basics**

**4 Credits / 120 Clock-Hours**

The Cosmetology/Barbering/Hair Design Basics course presents basic cosmetology practices, demonstrations of technical procedures and practical application of cosmetology skills. Students learn the basics of infection control with safety and sanitation; properties of the hair and scalp; principles of hair design; shampooing, conditioning, draping, hair and scalp treatments, haircutting; hairstyling and to identify the responsibilities of the cosmetologist. Critical thinking skills are also be developed. Students demonstrate competency through assignments testing and practical applications. This course is part of a required series to prepare students to take the National Interstate Council of State Boards of Cosmetology Licensure Examination (NIC test).

**Objectives:**

- Explain and demonstrate the differences between cleaning, disinfecting, and sterilizing salon tools, implements, and salon equipment.
- Demonstrate competency in shampooing, draping, and scalp treatments.
- Demonstrate different types of hairstyling techniques, including wet and thermal styling.
- Demonstrate the basics of haircutting.
- Demonstrate and explain other theory, practical application, and procedures associated with Cosmetology/Hair design basics.
- Demonstrate and learn practical applications while working on course-related content.

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### **TECS 1020 Barbering Basics**

**2 Credits / 60 Clock-Hours**

The Barbering Basics course covers barbering theory for the following subjects: history of barbering, tools and equipment, professional straight razor shaves, facial hair design, and haircutting and styling techniques for short hair. With instructions, students perform demonstrations and practical applications for each subject. Students demonstrate competency through assignments, testing and practical applications.

**Objectives:**

- Explain the history of barbering including modern tools and implements used by barbers today.
- Demonstrate proper safety and sanitation procedures.
- Perform barbering skills related to facial hair design, haircutting and styling for short hair, and straight razor shaving services.
- Demonstrate proper use of clippers, scissors, straight blade razors, and other barbering implements.
- Demonstrate and learn practical applications while working on course-related content.
- Demonstrate and explain other theory, practical application, and procedures associated with barbering basics.



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**TECS 1030 Cosmetology/Hair Design Chemical Services Basics**

**3 Credits / 90 Clock-Hours**

The Cosmetology/Hair Design Chemical Services Basics course covers the basics of chemical services such as chemical relaxer theory and techniques, color theory and techniques, and perming theory and techniques. Students receive instructions, perform demonstrations, and perform practical applications for each of these basic cosmetology and hair design related chemical services. Theory for each subject is covered and students are required to demonstrate competency through practical application, assignments, and testing.

**Objectives:**

- Define the law of color, complementary colors, the color wheel, color levels, color tones, and neutralizing tones.
- Demonstrate proper mixing and application of different hair coloring and hair lightening services.
- Demonstrate chemical relaxer techniques.
- Demonstrate the different methods of permanent waving and wrapping.
- Explain the proper procedures in the application of chemicals associated with permanent waving and chemical relaxers.
- Demonstrate and learn practical applications while working on course-related content.
- Demonstrate and explain other theory, practical application, and procedures associated with chemical services.

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**TECS 1060 Professional Development and Industry, State Laws, and**

**3 Credits / 90 Clock-Hours**

**Specific Continuing Education**

In the Professional Development and Industry, State Laws, and Specific Continuing Education course, students learn additional skills to prepare to become a professional in their chosen cosmetology/hair design field. Students learn about the history and career opportunities in the industry. Students learn and practice life skills and understand the importance of keeping a professional image which is expected of a cosmetologist/barber. They incorporate and practice good communication skills with fellow workers, employees, and clients. They also learn how to open, run and operate their own salon business and create a professional portfolio. Students are taught about the different laws and rules associated with the cosmetology/barbering related fields and prepare to take the state written and practical exams. Students demonstrate competency with assignments, tests, and practical skills.

**Objectives:**

- Explain the laws and rules for Utah state licensing and malpractice procedures for cosmetology related professionals.
- Describe and practice the process of taking and passing the state board examinations.
- Identify the principles of a cover letter, resume, and professional portfolio associated with seeking employment.
- Apply the importance of beauty, wellness, appearance, and physical presentation.
- Articulate the importance of communication and client consultations in the salon setting.
- Explore various options for salon ownership requirements and various compensation methods for salon professionals.
- Demonstrate competencies necessary for the clinical setting.
- Demonstrate and learn practical applications while working on manikins.
- Interpret other theory, practical application, and procedures associated with professional development.



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**TEHD 1900 Hair Design Clinical I**

**3 Credits / 135 Clock-Hours**

In the Cosmetology/Hair Design Clinical I course students begin to provide salon services in the clinical setting. This course provides practical experience and learning in a real salon setting. Students perform the services learned in previous courses on clients. This course helps prepare students for client work and building a clientele.

Objectives:

- Demonstrate salon processes and etiquette.
- Communicate effectively with salon guests and coworkers.
- Demonstrate sanitation procedures necessary for the health and safety of clients and self.
- Perform cosmetology services on public guests.
- Demonstrate other theory, practical application, and procedures associated with Cosmetology/Hair Design clinical floor.

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**TEHD 1910 Hair Design Clinical II**

**3 Credits / 135 Clock-Hours**

In the Cosmetology/Hair Design Clinical I course students begin to provide salon services in the clinical setting. This course provides practical experience and learning in a real salon setting. Students perform the services learned in previous courses on clients. This course helps prepare students for client work and building a clientele.

Objectives:

- Demonstrate salon processes and etiquette.
- Communicate effectively with salon guests and coworkers.
- Demonstrate sanitation procedures necessary for the health and safety of clients and self.
- Perform cosmetology services on public guests.
- Demonstrate other theory, practical application, and procedures associated with Cosmetology/Hair Design clinical floor.

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**TEHD 1920 Hair Design Clinical III**

**3 Credits / 135 Clock-Hours**

In the Cosmetology/Hair Design Clinical I course students begin to provide salon services in the clinical setting. This course provides practical experience and learning in a real salon setting. Students perform the services learned in previous courses on clients. This course helps prepare students for client work and building a clientele.

Objectives:

- Demonstrate salon processes and etiquette.
- Communicate effectively with salon guests and coworkers.
- Demonstrate sanitation procedures necessary for the health and safety of clients and self.
- Perform cosmetology services on public guests.
- Demonstrate other theory, practical application, and procedures associated with Cosmetology/Hair Design clinical floor.



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**TEHD 1930 Hair Design Clinical IV**

**3 Credits / 135 Clock-Hours**

In the Cosmetology/Hair Design Clinical I course students begin to provide salon services in the clinical setting. This course provides practical experience and learning in a real salon setting. Students perform the services learned in previous courses on clients. This course helps prepare students for client work and building a clientele.

Objectives:

- Demonstrate salon processes and etiquette.
- Communicate effectively with salon guests and coworkers.
- Demonstrate sanitation procedures necessary for the health and safety of clients and self.
- Perform cosmetology services on public guests.
- Demonstrate other theory, practical application, and procedures associated with Cosmetology/Hair Design clinical floor.

## **Supplemental Courses Varies by Institution**

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**TEHD 1100 Hair Design Intermediate Theory and Practice**

**3 Credits / 90 Clock-Hours**

In the Hair Design Intermediate Theory and Practice course, students will learn additional theory and practical applications related to hair. The disorders and diseases related to the hair and scalp will also be covered. Additionally, students will learn anatomy and physiology of the human body, and basic electricity. Students will work on practical skills to improve haircutting, hair color applications, and different hair styling techniques. Students will demonstrate competency with assignments, tests, and practical skills.

Objectives:

- Gain a knowledge and understand the health risks associated with the hair design profession.
- Describe the various diseases and disorders of the hair and scalp.
- Demonstrate and practice skills in previous courses necessary to advance to the clinical setting.
- Demonstrate and learn practical applications while working on course-related content.
- Demonstrate and explain other theory, practical application, and procedures associated with chemical services and other hair design related services.

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**TEHD 1110 Hair Design Advanced Training and Skills**

**3 Credits / 90 Clock-Hours**

In the Hair Design Advanced Training and Skills course, students will receive advanced training and education in braiding, hair extensions, wigs, haircutting, hair coloring, and hair styling. This course will build on the knowledge and skills learned in previous courses. Students will work to improve timing and skill level on services performed in the clinical setting.

Objectives:

- Practice skills gained in previous classes while improving timing and skill level.
- Demonstrate techniques of braiding, applying hair extensions and wigs.
- Illustrate skill level and time in haircutting, hair coloring, and different hair styling techniques.
- Demonstrate and learn practical applications while working on manikins.



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**TEHD 1120 Salon Preparation**

**1 Credit / 30 Clock-Hours**

Salon Preparation is constructed to prepare you to work in the salon floor environment. You will study additional information and services designed to prepare you for the workplace. You will combine the previous practical skills you developed in the classroom and will build a solid foundation to begin working with paying clients.

Objectives:

- Demonstrate salon process and etiquette.
- Learn how to communicate effectively with salon guests and coworkers.
- Demonstrate sanitation procedures necessary for the health and safety of clients and self.
- Perform cosmetology services on manikins and partners.
- Demonstrate other theory, practical application, and procedures learned in previous courses.

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**TEHD 1940 Hair Design Clinical V**

**2 Credits / 90 Clock-Hours**

In the Cosmetology/Barbering Clinical V course, students will begin to provide salon services in the clinical setting. This course provides practical experience and learning in a real salon setting. Students will perform the services learned in previous courses as they perform a variety of services on clients. This course will help prepare students for client work and building a clientele.

Objectives:

- Demonstrate salon process and etiquette.
- Communicate effectively with salon guests and coworkers.
- Demonstrate sanitation procedures necessary for the health and safety of clients and self.
- Perform hair design services on public guests.
- Demonstrate other theory, practical application, and procedures associated with Cosmetology/Barbering clinical floor.

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**TEHD 1200 Advanced Training and Skills I**

**3 Credits / 90 Clock-Hours**

In the Advanced Training and Skills I course, students will receive advanced training in a class and work on skills such as: hair extensions, braiding cutting, coloring, and other hair services. This course will build on the knowledge and skills learned in previous courses. Students will work to improve timing and skill level on services that are performed on the clinical floor. Students will demonstrate competency with assignments, tests, and practical skills.

Objectives:

- Demonstrate competencies necessary to advance to the clinical setting.
- Perform skills gained in previous classes while improving timing and skill level.
- Illustrate skill level and timing in haircutting, hair coloring, and different hair related techniques.
- Demonstrate and learn practical applications while working on manikins.



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**TEHD 1210 Advanced Training and Skills II**

**3 Credits / 90 Clock-Hours**

In the Advanced Training and Skills II course, students will receive additional training and guest artist. This course will also focus on preparing for a Job with advanced communication and interviewing skills. This course will build on the knowledge and skills learned in previous courses. Students will continue to improve timing and skill level on services performed on the clinical setting. Students will demonstrate competency with assignments, tests, and practical skills.

Objectives:

- Demonstrate competencies necessary to advance to the clinical setting.
- Perform skills gained in previous classes while improving timing and skill level.
- Illustrate skills in communication and interviewing for employment.
- Demonstrate and competency with assignments, testing and practical applications.

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**TEHD 1220 Advanced Training and Skills III**

**1 Credit / 30 Clock-Hours**

In the Advanced Training and Skills III course, students will receive additional training and classes. This course will build on the knowledge and skills learned in previous courses. Students will continue to improve timing and skill level on services performed in the clinical setting. Students will demonstrate competency with assignments, tests, and practical skills.

Objectives:

- Demonstrate competencies necessary to advance to the clinical setting.
- Perform skills gained in previous classes while improving timing and skill level.
- Demonstrate and competency with assignments, testing and practical applications.

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**TEHD 1940 Hair Design Clinical V**

**2 Credits / 90 Clock-Hours**

In the Cosmetology/Barbering Clinical V course, students will begin to provide salon services in the clinical setting. This course provides practical experience and learning in a real salon setting. Students will perform the services learned in previous courses as they perform a variety of services on clients. This course will help prepare students for client work and building a clientele.

Objectives:

- Demonstrate salon process and etiquette.
- Communicate effectively with salon guests and coworkers.
- Demonstrate sanitation procedures necessary for the health and safety of clients and self.
- Perform hair design services on public guests.
- Demonstrate other theory, practical application, and procedures associated with Cosmetology/Barbering clinical floor.