



Program Planning Guide

Cosmetology Associate in Applied Science Degree (A55140)

Program Length: 5 semesters

Program Sites: Lee Main Campus, Day; Harnett Main Campus, Day

Career Pathway Options: Associate in Applied Science Degree in Cosmetology

Suggested Course Schedule		Class	Lab	Work	Credits	Notes:
1st Semester (fall)						
COS 111	Cosmetology Concepts I	4	0	0	4	
COS 112	Salon I	0	24	0	8	
ACA 122	College Transfer Success	0	2	0	1	
Communications Requirement		3	0	0	3	
	Total Semester Hours	7	26	0	16	
2nd Semester (spring)						
COS 113	Cosmetology Concepts II	4	0	0	4	
COS 114	Salon II	0	24	0	8	
COS 223	Contemp. Hair Coloring	1	3	0	2	
Social/Behavioral Science Elective		3	0	0	3	
	Total Semester Hours	8	27	0	17	
3rd Semester (summer)						
COS 115	Cosmetology Concepts III	4	0	0	4	
COS 116	Salon III	0	12	0	4	
	Total Semester Hour	4	12	0	8	
4th Semester (fal	ll)					
COS 117	Cosmetology Concepts IV	2	0	0	2	
COS 118	Salon IV	0	21	0	7	
COS 224	Trichology & Chemistry	1	3	0	2	
MAT 110	Math Measurement & Literacy	2	2	0	3	
	Total Semester Hour	5	26	0	14	

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5th Semester (spring)						
CIS 110	Introduction to Computers	2	2	0	3	
ENG 111	Writing and Inquiry	3	0	0	3	
WBL 110	World of Work	1	0	0	1	
Humanities and Fine Arts Elective		3	0	0	3	
	Total Semester Hour	9	2	0	10	

Total Semester Hours Required: 65

Approved Humanities/Fine Arts Electives Associate in Applied Science Degree/Diploma			Approved Social/Behavioral Science Electives Associate in Applied Science Degree/Diploma			
ART 111	Art Appreciation	ANT 210	General Anthropology			
ART 114	Art History Survey I	ANT 220	Cultural Anthropology			
ART 115	Art History Survey II	ECO 151	Survey of Economics			
DRA 111	Theatre Appreciation	ECO 251	Principles of Microeconomics			
ENG 125	Creative Writing I	ECO 252	Principles of Macroeconomics			
ENG 231	American Literature I	HIS 111	World Civilization I			
ENG 232	American Literature II	HIS 112	World Civilization II			
ENG 241	British Literature I	HIS 131	American History I			
ENG 242	British Literature II	HIS 132	American History II			
HUM 110	Technology & Society	HIS 222	African-American History I			
HUM 115	Critical Thinking	HIS 223	African-American History II			
HUM 120	Cultural Studies	HIS 226	The Civil War			
HUM 122	Southern Culture	HIS 236	North Carolina History			
HUM 150	American Women's Studies	POL 120	American Government			
HUM 160	Introduction to Film	PSY 150	General Psychology			
MUS 110	Music Appreciation	PSY 237	Social Psychology			
MUS 112	Introduction to Jazz	PSY 241	Developmental Psychology			
PHI 240	Introduction to Ethics	PSY 246	Adolescent Psychology			
REL 110	World Religions	PSY 281	Abnormal Psychology			
REL 211	Intro to Old Testament	SOC 210	Introduction to Sociology			
REL 212	Intro to New Testament	SOC 213	Sociology of the Family			
		SOC 220	Social Problems			
		SOC 225	Social Diversity			
Communicat	Communications; select one course:		Social Context of Aging			
ENG 112	Writing/Research in the Disc	SOC 240	Social Psychology			
ENG 114	Prof Research & Reporting					
ENG 115	Oral Communication					
ENG 116	Technical Report Writing					
COM 110	Introduction to Communication					
COM 120	Intro Interpersonal Communication					
COM 231	Public Speaking					

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Course Descriptions

ACA 122 College Transfer Success

This course provides information and strategies necessary to develop clear academic and professional goals beyond the community college experience. Topics include the CAA, college policies and culture, career exploration, gathering information on senior institutions, strategic planning, critical thinking, and communications skills for a successful academic transition. Upon completion, students should be able to develop an academic plan to transition successfully to senior institutions. This course has been approved for transfer under the CAA/ICAA as a premajor and/or elective course requirement.

CIS 110 Introduction to Computers

This course introduces computer concepts, including fundamental functions and operations of the computer. Topics include identification of hardware components, basic computer operations, security issues, and use of software applications. Upon completion, students should be able to demonstrate an understanding of the role and function of computers and use the computer to solve problems.

COS 111 Cosmetology Concepts I

Corequisite: COS 112

This course introduces basic cosmetology concepts. Topics include safety, first aid, sanitation, bacteriology, anatomy, diseases and disorders, hygiene, product knowledge, chemistry, ethics, manicures, and other related topics. Upon completion, students should be able to safely and competently apply cosmetology concepts in the salon setting.

COS 112 Salon I

Corequisite: COS 111

This course introduces basic salon services. Topics include scalp treatments, shampooing, rinsing, hair color, design, haircutting, permanent waving, pressing, relaxing, wigs, and other related topics. Upon completion, students should be able to safely and competently demonstrate salon services.

COS 113 Cosmetology Concepts II

Prerequisites: COS 111 and COS 112

Local Corequisite: COS 114

This course covers more comprehensive cosmetology concepts. Topics include safety, product knowledge, chemistry, manicuring, chemical restructuring, and hair coloring. Upon completion, students should be able to safely and competently apply these cosmetology concepts in the salon setting.

COS 114 Salon II

Prerequisites: COS 111 and COS 112

Local Corequisite: COS 113

This course provides experience in a simulated salon setting. Topics include basic skin care, manicuring, nail application, scalp treatments, shampooing, rinsing, hair color, design, haircutting, chemical restructuring, pressing, wigs, and other related topics. Upon completion, students should be able to safely and competently demonstrate these salon services.

COS 115 Cosmetology Concepts III

Prerequisites: COS 111 and COS 112

Local Corequisite: COS 116

This course covers more comprehensive cosmetology concepts. Topics include safety, product knowledge, salon management, salesmanship, skin care, electricity/light therapy, wigs, thermal hair styling, lash and brow tinting, superfluous hair removal, and other related topics. Upon completion, students should be able to safely and competently apply these cosmetology concepts in the salon setting.

COS 116 Salon III

Prerequisites: COS 111 and COS 112

Local Corequisite: COS 115

This course provides comprehensive experience in a simulated salon setting. Emphasis is placed on intermediate-level of skin care, manicuring, scalp treatments, shampooing, hair color, design, haircutting, chemical restructuring, pressing, and other related topics. Upon completion, students should be able to safely and competently demonstrate these salon services.

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Professional Services

COS 117 Cosmetology Concepts IV

Prerequisites: COS 111 and COS 112

Local Corequisite: COS 118

This course covers advanced cosmetology concepts. Topics include chemistry and hair structure, advanced cutting and design, and an overview of all cosmetology concepts in preparation for the licensing examination. Upon completion, students should be able to demonstrate an understanding of these cosmetology concepts and meet program completion requirements.

COS 118 Salon IV

Prerequisite: COS 111 and COS 112 Local Corequisite: COS 117

This course provides advanced experience in a simulated salon setting. Emphasis is placed on efficient and competent delivery of all salon services in preparation for the licensing examination and employment. Upon completion, students should be able to demonstrate competence in program requirements and the areas covered on the Cosmetology Licensing Examination and meet entry-level employment requirements.

COS 223 Contemp Hair Coloring

Prerequisite: COS 111 and COS 112

This course covers basic color concepts, hair coloring problems, and application techniques. Topics include color theory, terminology, contemporary techniques, product knowledge, and other related topics. Upon completion, students should be able to identify a client's color needs and safely and competently perform color applications and correct problems.

COS 224 Trichology & Chemistry

This course is a study of hair and the interaction of applied chemicals. Emphasis is placed on pH actions and the reactions and effects of chemical ingredients. Upon completion, students should be able to demonstrate an understanding of chemical terminology, pH testing, and chemical reactions on hair.

ENG 111 Writing and Inquiry

Prerequisite: Take one set: Set 1: DRE 097; Set 2: ENG 002; Set 3: BSP 4002

Corequisite: Take ENG 011

This course is designed to develop the ability to produce clear writing in a variety of genres and formats using a recursive process. Emphasis includes inquiry, analysis, effective use of rhetorical strategies, thesis development, audience awareness, and revision. Upon completion, students should be able to produce unified, coherent, well-developed essays using standard written English. This course has been approved for transfer under the CAA/ICAA as a general education course in English Composition.

MAT 110 Math Measurement & Literacy

Prerequisite: Take one set: Set 1: DMA 010 DMA 020, DMA 030; Set 2: DMA 025; Set 3: MAT 003; Set 4: BSP 4003

Corequisite: Take MAT 010

This course provides an activity-based approach that develops measurement skills and mathematical literacy using technology to solve problems for non-math intensive programs. Topics include unit conversions and estimation within a variety of measurement systems; ratio and proportion; basic geometric concepts; financial literacy; and statistics including measures of central tendency, dispersion, and charting of data. Upon completion, students should be able to demonstrate the use of mathematics and technology to solve practical problems, and to analyze and communicate results.