

## **Cosmetology**

### **Associate in Occupational Technology Degree (AOT)**

#### **At a Glance**

The Cosmetology program provides students with the knowledge needed to obtain an Alabama State Board of Cosmetology and Barbering/National Interstate Council of State Boards of Cosmetology (NIC) license, as well as the skills for immediate employment once licensed.

Students are trained in hair cutting, shampooing and styling, chemical texture services, hair color, manicuring and pedicuring, and facial waxing, massage, and treatments. Along with Cosmetology salon practices, students are taught Business of Cosmetology and Employability Skills, which are essential for Cosmetologists to own or manage a business. This program prepares graduates for employment in various occupations including hairstylist, barber, nail technician, makeup artist, esthetics, hair colorist, chemical services technician, salon managers, and business owners.

*Students should consult with an advisor or the faculty teaching in their discipline with regard to the suggested sequence for scheduling of courses.*

<b>General Education &amp; Elective Courses</b>		<b>CREDITS</b>
CIS 146	Microcomputer Applications .....	3
ENG 131	Applied Writing I.....	3
MTH 116	Mathematical Applications .....	3
ORI 105	Orientation & Student Success .....	3
SPH 106	Fundamentals of Oral Communication.....	3
Natural Science & Math Elective .....		3-4
History, Social and Behavioral Science Elective* .....		3
<b>Total General Education &amp; Elective Credit Hours .....</b>		<b>21-22</b>

*\*Refer to general education section of catalog for electives. NOTE: Introductory foreign language courses cannot be utilized as the only Humanities and Fine Arts elective.*

<b>Technical Major Courses</b>		<b>CREDITS</b>
COS 111	Introduction to Cosmetology .....	3
COS 112	Introduction to Cosmetology Lab .....	3
COS 113	Theory of Chemical Services.....	3
COS 114	Chemical Services Lab .....	3
COS 115	Hair Coloring Theory.....	3
COS 116	Hair Coloring Lab .....	3
COS 117	Basic Spa Techniques .....	3
COS 118	Basic Spa Techniques Lab .....	3
COS 119	Business of Cosmetology.....	3
COS 123	Cosmetology Salon Practices.....	3
COS 158	Employability Skills.....	3
<b>Total Technical Major Credit Hours .....</b>		<b>33</b>

<b>Technical Minor Courses</b>	<b>CREDITS</b>
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BUS 100	Introduction to Business .....	3
OAD 101	Beginning Keyboarding .....	3
OAD 103	Intermediate Keyboarding .....	3
OAD 243	Spreadsheet Applications.....	3
	<b>Total Technical Minor Credit Hours .....</b>	<b>12</b>
<b>Total Credit Hours .....</b>		<b>66-67</b>

**Cosmetology**  
**Certificate (CER)**

While pursuing the Cosmetology AOT degree and upon successful completion of the courses identified below, the stackable Cosmetology Certificate will be awarded to students.

	<b>CREDITS</b>	
CIS 146	Microcomputer Applications .....	3
ENG 131	Applied Writing I.....	3
MTH 116	Mathematical Applications .....	3
ORI 105	Orientation and Student Success.....	3
SPH 106	Fundamentals of Oral Communication.....	3
COS 111	Introduction to Cosmetology .....	3
COS 112	Introduction to Cosmetology Lab .....	3
COS 113	Theory of Chemical Services.....	3
COS 114	Chemical Services Lab .....	3
COS 115	Hair Coloring Theory.....	3
COS 116	Hair Coloring Lab .....	3
COS 117	Basic Spa Techniques .....	3
COS 118	Basic Spa Techniques Lab .....	3
COS 119	Business of Cosmetology.....	3
COS 123	Cosmetology Salon Practices.....	3
COS 158	Employability Skills.....	3
<b>Total Credit Hours .....</b>		<b>48</b>

**Chemical Services & Salon Practices**  
**Short-Term Certificate (STC)**

While pursuing the Cosmetology AOT degree and upon successful completion of the courses identified below, the stackable Chemical Services & Salon Practices Short-Term Certificate will be awarded to students.

	<b>CREDITS</b>	
COS 113	Theory of Chemical Services.....	3

COS 114	Chemical Services Lab.....	3
COS 119	Business of Cosmetology .....	3
COS 123	Cosmetology Salon Practices.....	3
<b>Total Credit Hours.....</b>		<b>12</b>

**Hair Coloring**

**Short-Term Certificate (STC)**

While pursuing the Cosmetology AOT degree and upon successful completion of the courses identified below, the stackable Hair Coloring Short-Term Certificate will be awarded to students.

		<b>CREDITS</b>
COS 115	Hair Coloring Theory.....	3
COS 116	Hair Coloring Lab .....	3
COS 158	Employability Skills .....	3
<b>Total Credit Hours .....</b>		<b>9</b>

**Introduction to Cosmetology**

**Short-Term Certificate (STC)**

While pursuing the Cosmetology AOT degree and upon successful completion of the courses identified below, the stackable Introduction to Cosmetology Short-Term Certificate will be awarded to students.

		<b>CREDITS</b>
COS 111	Introduction to Cosmetology .....	3
COS 112	Introduction to Cosmetology Lab.....	3
COS 117	Basic Spa Techniques .....	3
COS 118	Basic Spa Techniques Lab.....	3
<b>Total Credit Hours .....</b>		<b>12</b>