

# PROGRAM OF STUDY: Cosmetology



This Program of Study may serve as a graduation guide for the next four plus years, along with other career planning and educational materials. Courses listed in this model may include recommended coursework and should be individualized to students' educational and career goals. Each graduation plan needs to meet minimum high school graduation requirements. Dual Enrollment courses can be high school academic and/or career technical education courses.

SECONDARY:					POSTSECONDARY:		
COURSE/ GRADE	NINTH	TENTH	ELEVENTH	TWELFTH	TCC	DIPLOMA OR AAS	BACHELOR OF SCIENCE
ENGLISH	9 <sup>th</sup> grade Lit/ Composition	10 <sup>th</sup> grade Lit/ Composition	American Lit/ Composition	World Lit/ Composition / British Lit	<b>Entrance/Exit Point</b>  <b>ST11 Shampoo Technician Certificate</b>  <b>HD21 Hair Designer Certificate</b>  <a href="#">Find the campus for the TCC options</a>	<b>Entrance/Exit Point</b>  <b>CO12 Cosmetology Diploma</b>  <a href="#">Find the campus for the Diploma, Degree options</a>	<b>Entrance/Exit Point</b>  The University System of Georgia offers students' higher education options at 30 institutions throughout the state, providing a wide range of academic programming including certificates and associate, baccalaureate, masters, doctoral and professional degrees.  <a href="https://apps.ds.usg.edu/ords/?p=118:1:0">https://apps.ds.usg.edu/ords/?p=118:1:0</a>
MATHEMATICS	Coordinate Algebra / Algebra I	Analytic Geometry / Geometry	Advanced Algebra / Algebra II	Pre-calculus			
SCIENCE	Physical Science	Biology	Chemistry	Physics			
SOCIAL STUDIES	World History	Psychology	US History	Government (½ unit) Economics (½ unit)			
PATHWAY COMPLETER	<b>Introduction to Personal Care Services</b>	<b>Cosmetology Services II</b>	<b>Cosmetology Services III</b>	Another course in focus area, Work-Based Learning, or Youth Apprenticeship			
<b>Industry Recognized Credential (Pathway Completer)</b>		<a href="#">Visit the End of Pathway Assessment Page</a> (see note below)					
<b>Required/ Selective Electives</b>	Health & Personal Fitness (can be taken in grades 9-12)	Financial Literacy	Introduction to Business and Technology	Entrepreneurship			
	<b>Modern Language/Latin</b> 2 units required for admissions to Georgia University System Colleges/Universities For a listing of Modern Language/Latin courses offered at your high school, please contact your advisor, counselor, or curriculum handbook.		<b>Other Electives</b> For a listing of other elective courses offered at your high school, please check with your advisor, counselor, or curriculum handbook.				

**NOTE:** Students have many options to **ENTER** and **EXIT** from their academic studies into the workforce. When a student graduates from high school, they are eligible to choose one of many **ENTRANCE POINT** options: **1.** Enroll in either a 2 or 4 year post-secondary program; **2.** Enroll in an apprenticeship program or the military; or **3.** Enter the workforce using technical skills learned in high school. When a student finishes a 2- or 4-year degree program, they may choose to **EXIT** and **1.** Enroll in an apprenticeship program or the military; **2.** Enroll in a professional university degree program; or **3.** Enter the workforce using technical skills learned.

**Cosmetology Career Pathway Completers - Industry Credentialing for High School Students**  
 Upon completion of sequenced courses in the Cosmetology Pathway, students are eligible to complete the Industry-Recognized student credential for fulfillment of the End of Pathway Assessment. Secondary students completing the Cosmetology pathway will be able to sit for the National Industry Credentialed assessment offered on-line from NOCTI and SkillsUSA. Once mastery is reached, students will receive recognition for completion and use this credential in conjunction with their job or continuing training. For specific assessment information, refer to: <http://bit.ly/GAHumanServices>.

## Sample In Demand Careers in Georgia

Occupation Specialties	Level of Education Needed	Georgia Average Salary	Annual Average Openings in Georgia	2014 – 2024 Employment Outlook
Cosmetologists	Postsecondary Credential	\$27,713	487	In Demand, High Skill
Skin Care Specialists	Postsecondary Credential	\$30,710	30	In Demand, High Skill
Manicurists and Pedicurists	Postsecondary Credential	\$23,175	16	High Skill
Make-up Artists	Postsecondary Credential	\$53,763	511	In Demand, High Skill

[Data link here.](#)

Go to [GAfutures at www.gafutures.org](http://www.gafutures.org) for more information about your education and career planning, including valuable financial information (grants and scholarships including HOPE Program, grants and loans, FAFSA, and CSS forms).

<b>Career Enhancement Opportunities</b>	<b>Career-Related Education Activities</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Career Awareness</li> <li>Career Exploration</li> <li>Instructional Related</li> <li>Connecting                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Work-Based Learning</li> <li>Employability Skill Dev.</li> <li>Cooperative Education</li> <li>Internship</li> <li>Youth Apprenticeship</li> <li>Clinicals</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<b>Postsecondary Options:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>4-Year Universities/Colleges</li> <li>2-Year Colleges</li> <li>Technical Colleges</li> <li>State Registered Apprenticeships</li> <li>Special Purpose Schools</li> <li>On-the-Job Training</li> <li>Military</li> </ul>	<b>Earning Postsecondary Credits While in High School</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Dual Enrollment Program                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Earn postsecondary credit while in high school</li> </ul> </li> <li>You can complete                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Industry Credential</li> <li>Technical Certificate of Credit (TCC)</li> <li>Associates of Applied Science Degree                                     <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Bachelor's Degree</li> </ul> </li> </ul> </li> <li>Who can help?                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Parents</li> <li>School Counselor</li> <li>Advisor</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
	<b>Postsecondary Transition</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>University System of Georgia Institutions: Admissions Testing                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>ACT or SAT</li> <li>For More Information:                                     <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Contact the institution of your choice OR</li> </ul> </li> </ul> </li> <li>Technical College System of Georgia                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Placement Exam</li> </ul> </li> <li>United States Military                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>ASVAB Assessment</li> </ul> </li> <li>Use BRIDGE Law platform to inform decisions on postsecondary opportunities</li> <li>Dual Enrollment                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Earning high school course credits while taking college courses</li> </ul> </li> </ul>		
<b>Related Pathway Occupations</b>		<b>Other Related Occupations</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Skincare Technicians</li> <li>Nail Technicians</li> <li>Estheticians</li> <li>Massage Therapists</li> </ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Barbers</li> <li>Shampoo Technicians</li> <li>Electrologists</li> <li>Funeral Director/Morticians</li> <li>Funeral Attendants</li> <li>Aides</li> <li>Cosmetologists</li> <li>Personal &amp; Home Health Care</li> <li>Make-up Artists</li> <li>Embalmers</li> </ul>	
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## Cosmetology Pathway Description

Although the pay is good in many of the jobs in Personal Care Services, people choose these jobs because they want to serve others. They are motivated by the need to assist others and to help make someone else's life better. Occupations are many and varied including cosmetologists, estheticians, nail techs, and barbers. These type jobs help people feel and look better.

Personal Care Services workers assist individuals with their personal appearance including shampooing, cutting, coloring, and styling hair; providing manicures, pedicures, and scalp and facial treatments; providing makeup analysis; cleaning and styling wigs and hairpieces; and providing personal fitness training. Also, within personal care services, funeral directors and attendants make funeral arrangements for grieving families.

Cosmetologists cut, trim, shampoo, style, color, bleach, highlight hair and offer permanent wave service. They also provide scalp and facial treatments and makeup analysis. Some also clean and style wigs and hairpieces and a growing number of actively sell skin care products. Barbers and cosmetologists usually work in a barbershop or salon. Physical stamina is important because workers are on their feet for most of their shift. Many work part time, and nearly half were self-employed according to 2014 data.

All states require barbers and cosmetologists to be licensed, except for shampoo technicians. To qualify for a license, candidates must graduate from a state-approved cosmetology or barbering program. Overall employment of barbers and cosmetologists is expected to grow 14 percent from 2014 to 2024, as fast as the average for all occupations. Most job openings will result from the need to replace workers who leave the occupation.