Study Programme Overview

The hairdressing industry can be fast-paced, glamorous and exciting, but it also makes demands on your ability to work under pressure, be creative and satisfy a range of different clients.

Our full-time study programmes are designed to maximise your career prospects and widen your options for further or higher study. The Level 2 course will help you make informed career choices and introduce you to the discipline of a working environment. With the opportunity to showcase your excellent interpersonal skills, creative flair and professionalism in our Wella-accredited salon, we will help you to gain the real-world experience that you need in order to move on to a career in anything from fashion, to film and TV, to owning your own business.

Work experience is also an integral part of our study programmes, enabling you to gain essential exposure to the world of work.

What You’ll Learn

The course will develop a wide range of hairdressing skills, including:

» Cutting & Colouring Hair
» Styling, Dressing & Finishing
» Advising & Consulting
» Shampooing & Conditioning
» Reception Duties & Giving a Positive Impression
» Promoting Additional Products & Services
» Health & Safety

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Elements of Study

Your programme consists of the following elements:

» Study of your chosen vocational subject (50% of your programme)
» English and maths (continued until the achievement of GCSE grade 4 (C) or equivalent)
» Employability skills (e.g. punctuality, attendance, communication and team work)
» Work experience (giving you a taste of working life)
» Tutorial & personal development (e.g. healthy living, volunteering and citizenship skills)

Entry Requirements

You will need to have completed the Hairdressing Level 1 and you should have good communication skills. You will be invited for interview and will be asked to provide a satisfactory school reference.

Assessment

Continuous assessment will be carried out through practical work, oral and written questions, assignments and a portfolio of evidence.

Support

The College will support you throughout your time here; you will receive personal support from both your tutor and your Learning & Development Mentor. Support is also available from our dedicated Student Services team for personal, financial and careers guidance.

During their recent visit in February 2017, Ofsted commended the College for its provision of “well targeted information, advice and careers guidance, which meets individual needs and enables learners to make informed choices about the next steps in their learning and career”.

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Future Opportunities

After you have completed the course you could remain in College and progress on to a Level 3 Hairdressing course.

Alternatively, if you choose to look for paid work you could opt for a Hairdressing Apprenticeship and work as an Apprentice Hairdresser.

Following further study you could work as:

» A fully-trained Hairdresser where you could earn between £14,000 and £20,000 a year, depending on experience.

» A Salon Manager, earning between £18,000 and £30,000 a year.

Enrichment

We want to give you a positive experience at College and a rounded view of the industry you could one day be working in. So, during your time at College, you will have the opportunity to enjoy a range of activities, including:

» Meeting guest speakers from the industry

» Visiting local salons

» Taking part in Showcase activities and relevant events

Further Information

Our £75 million campus offers:

» A fitness suite and sports hall

» Apple Mac suites

» Libraries

» A theatre and dance studios

» A café selling Costa coffee

» Wella-approved hair salons

We also have a wide range of events throughout the year including showcases, enterprise activities and cultural celebrations.

Number 1 for Achievement Rates

We’re the number one General FE and Tertiary College for 16-18 achievement rates in Greater Manchester.

Ofsted Grade 2 ‘Good’

Ofsted also agrees; in February we were inspected and graded 2 for ‘Good’. Ofsted highlighted the fact that our learners develop good employability and personal skills and that a high proportion progress to Apprenticeships, employment or Higher Education.

Open Events

Discover what Bolton College can do for you by attending one of our Young People’s Open Events at our Deane Road campus.

» Thursday 12th October 2017, 4.30pm - 8pm

» Wednesday 22nd November 2017, 4.30pm - 8pm

» Wednesday 7th February 2018, 4.20pm - 8pm

Futures4Me Event

» Thursday 28th September 2017, 3.30pm - 7pm

www.boltoncollege.ac.uk/open-events