

TEXAS COSMETOLOGY OPERATOR LICENSE

GUIDED PATHWAY: TEXAS COSMETOLOGY OPERATOR LICENSE

For more information, visit the Laredo College Cosmetology Program website by clicking [here](#) and your [academic advisor](#).

Program Description: The Cosmetology Program offers a Level 1 Certificate that will prepare students with the skill and knowledge for a successful career in the Cosmetology Industry. A student must be registered full-time to complete this program in two semesters. This program is designed to prepare students to enter the workforce and to meet the requirements for Texas Department of Licensing and Regulation State Board Examination.

This is an example course sequence for students interested in pursuing a Certificate Level 1 as a Texas Cosmetology Operator. It does not represent a contract, nor does it guarantee course availability. Following this pathway will help you earn a Certificate Level 1 as a Texas Cosmetology Operator.¹ For official degree requirements, [click here](#).

Visit <https://www.laredo.edu/Academic-Career-Pathways/pathways.html> to view guided pathways created for students who complete a Certificate Level 1.



COLLEGE READINESS REQUIREMENTS (only for the AAS)

Enrolling in one or more courses may be necessary if assessment activities and previous academic experiences indicate a need for additional knowledge and skills:

READING & WRITING PLACEMENT	MATH PLACEMENT	ENGLISH LANGUAGE PROFICIENCY
<p>TSI MET: YES NO IF NO, ADVISOR INSERT COURSE(S) NEEDED</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> INRW _____</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> OTHER: _____</p>	<p>TSI MET: YES NO IF NO, ADVISOR INSERT COURSE(S) NEEDED</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> DEV MATH _____</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> OTHER: _____</p>	<p>TSI MET: YES NO IF NO, ADVISOR INSERT COURSE(S) NEEDED</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> ESOL _____</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> OTHER: _____</p>

Exemptions/waivers may exist. Speak with an academic advisor regarding placement in college readiness courses and your ability to enroll in core academic coursework.

INCOMING STUDENTS

C1	<input type="checkbox"/>	Be on the Cosmetology Program Waiting List (Student name will be active only for one year, being on the waiting list does not guarantee a spot in the program)
◆	<input type="checkbox"/>	Registration is based on a first-come, first-served basis.
◆	<input type="checkbox"/>	Clear all holds at the Registrars and Admissions office
◆	<input type="checkbox"/>	Student must take the registration permit to the registrar's office to register for the Cosmetology courses (the registration permit will expire in three business days)
◆	<input type="checkbox"/>	A student accepted in the Cosmetology Program must submit the following documentation for the Texas Department of Licensing and Regulation (TDLR) SHEARS (Student Hour and Enrollment Automated Reporting System) registration to obtain a Texas Operator Student Permit Number to practice Cosmetology salon services.

SEMESTER BY SEMESTER MAP FOR FULL-TIME STUDENTS

C1	REQUIREMENTS	ACTION ITEMS
◆	High School Diploma or GED	<input type="checkbox"/> Register to Laredo College <input type="checkbox"/> Apply for Financial Aid <input type="checkbox"/> Take the High Intermediate Reading Level Assessment
◆	Apply to Admissions to Laredo College and must be accepted (click here for more information)	
◆	Students must meet a High Intermediate Reading Level Assessment	

TOTAL SEMESTER CREDIT HOURS: 16²

C1	SEMESTER I (FALL)	ACTION ITEMS
◆	CSME 1405* – Fundamentals of Cosmetology (C)	<input type="checkbox"/> Meet Cosmetology Program Requirements <input type="checkbox"/> Meet with Cosmetology Professor for Advising and Registration *This course will be a prerequisite for Semester II (Spring)
◆	CSME 1451* – Artistry of Hair, Theory and Practice (C)	
◆	CSME 1443* – Manicuring and Related Theory (C)	
◆	CSME 1453* – Chemical Reformation and Related Theory (C)	

TOTAL SEMESTER CREDIT HOURS: 15²

D	SEMESTER II (SPRING)	ACTION ITEMS
◆	CSME 2401 – The Principles of Hair Coloring and Related Theory (C)	<input type="checkbox"/> Pass all courses with a grade of “C” or better to be able to graduate and meet TDLR’s requirements for State Board Examination
◆	CSME 2337 – Advanced Cosmetology Techniques (C)	
◆	CSME 2441 – Preparation for the State Licensing Examination (C)	
◆	CSME 2443 – Salon Development (C)	

TOTAL SEMESTERS CREDIT HOURS: 31

AAS DEGREE MINIMUM: 60 SEMESTER CREDIT HOURS/PATHWAY TOTAL: 60 SEMESTER CREDIT HOURS

1. Degree plans may change in later catalogs. Be sure to consult with your advisor if you are continuing on an older degree plan.
2. Students must earn all 31 credit hours required for graduation.
3. Capstone Experience.
 - C This course is corequisite and the student needs to pass with a grade of “C” or better to be able to continue in the Cosmetology Program and graduate

Certification and Licensure Information

Graduates of the program will be eligible to take the State Board Written and Practical Examination for Texas Cosmetology Operator License administered by the Texas Department of Licensing and Regulation (TDLR). After successful completion of these examinations, the graduate will be a Licensee Cosmetology Operator. In addition, the states of Texas require licensure to practice; however, state licenses are usually based on the results of the TDLR Examination. Every individual who applies for a license with the Texas Department of Licensing and Regulation (“the Department”) is subject to a criminal background check to determine the student suitability for the license. Questions regarding eligibility for licensure in Texas should be directed to the Texas Department of Licensing and Regulation (TDLR) at <https://www.tdlr.texas.gov/crimhistoryeval.htm>

Career Information

Upon passing the State Board Licensure Examination a Texas Cosmetology Operator can work in a variety of settings, including beauty salons, spas, nail salon, retailers, schools, work for a corporation, rent a stylist booth, and/or open their own business.

Under the Texas Cosmetology Law Occupations Code Chapter 1602.002 Texas Cosmetology Operators can perform the following services: Haircutting, Hairstyling, Haircolor, Makeup application, Facial treatment, Nail Enhancement Application, Manicures, Pedicures, Hair Removal, and Eyelash application.

Common Job Titles

Cosmetology Operator, Haircolor Specialist, Texture Specialist, Haircutting Specialist, Salon Trainer, Salon Manager, Salon Assistant Manager, Distributor Sales Consultant, Manufacturer Educator, Cosmetology Instructor, Makeup Artist, Stylist, and Salon Owner etc.

Regional Labor Market Information

Texas Cosmetology Operator: According to Emsi Occupation Overview, the national median salary for Texas Cosmetology Operators is \$29,151. Salary ranges depend on location, working hours, and experience. Median salary workers earn \$26,498 in this region.

Career and labor market research tools

Bureau of Labor Statistics: <http://www.bls.gov/ooh/>, O*NET: <https://www.onetonline.org/>
Additional resources: <https://www.indeed.com/>

Career Resources: Laredo College career services website provides information on [career exploration and employment](#). Students are encouraged to consult with their area of study advisor for additional career assistance. The above information is provided as a guide and reference tool for occupations related to this program. This is not a guarantee of job placement in any of these occupations after successful completion of an LC program. The common job titles listed are representative titles and are provided for career research. These are not the only occupations possible in this area of study.

Transfer Information

N/A