

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 www.laredo.edu/pathways to view guided pathways created for students who complete a Certificate Level 1.



Reference retrieved from: (2019). Aota.org. <https://www.aota.org/About-Occupational-Therapy.aspx>

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

TSIA2 MET: YES NO

IF NO, ADVISOR INSERT COURSE(S) NEEDED

☐ INRW _____

☐ OTHER: _____

MATH PLACEMENT

TSIA2 MET: YES NO

IF NO, ADVISOR INSERT COURSE(S) NEEDED

☐ DEV MATH _____

☐ OTHER: _____

ENGLISH LANGUAGE PROFICIENCY

TSIA2 MET: YES NO

IF NO, ADVISOR INSERT COURSE(S) NEEDED

☐ ESOL _____

☐ OTHER: _____

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

- ☐ Students interested in transferring from other approved schools will be required to make an appointment with the Program Dean for advising.
- ☐ Students should provide a valid student's permit and an official transcript from TDLR to receive credit for prior learning and for admittance in the Cosmetology Program.
- ☐ Students will be administered a written and practical skills test prior to being admitted and must meet the 16 credit hours for Semester I (Fall) that is equivalent to 600 clock-in hours to be able to start in Semester II (Spring)
- ☐ Students owing tuition in other school will not be able to transfer according to TDLR Ch.83.74.

SEMESTER BY SEMESTER MAP FOR FULL-TIME STUDENTS²

D		PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS	ACTION ITEMS
◆		High School Diploma or GED	<input type="checkbox"/> Register to Laredo College
◆		Meet all Laredo College entrance requirements	<input type="checkbox"/> Apply for Financial Aid
◆		Students must meet a High Intermediate Reading Level Assessment	<input type="checkbox"/> Take the High Intermediate Reading Level Assessment
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TOTAL SEMESTER CREDIT HOURS: 16²

D		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)	
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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

CERTIFICATE LEVEL 1 MINIMUM: 31 SEMESTER CREDIT HOUR/PATHWAY TOTAL: 31 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 corequisites and the student needs to pass with a grade of "C" or better to be able to continue in the Cosmetology Program and graduate

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 \$29,515. 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