

Trades & Applied Technology Programs

Hairdressing

Certificate Program: 42 weeks; 30 credits

Fee Category: VII

The Program

This program uses the Pivot Point training system, a service mark and trademark owned by Pivot Point International Inc., which offers an educational program consisting of exclusive techniques of scientific hair designing. The program creates a positive environment with a comprehensive curriculum of superior quality, incorporating the use of interactive laser disc and DVD technology. This revolutionary technology, combined with superior education, results in the ultimate hands-on experience.

The program covers all aspects of the trade in both theoretical and practical application of skills. Learning is accomplished through practical instruction and student participation with equipment, tools and materials normally used in the trade. Students quickly advance to performing services on clients in VIU's salon. Students frequently compete in local, provincial and national competitions, consistently winning top places. Some students have joined the Canadian team in world competitions.

Class hours of the program are 8:30 am - 4:30 pm, Mondays to Fridays. Homework will take approximately 4 to 6 hours per week. Good attendance is mandatory.

Students are required to complete the following projects:

- Hair Colouring
- Permanent Waving

Program topics include:

- Professional development
- People skills
- Salon ecology
- Trichology
- Hair cutting (men and women)
- Hair styling: wet, thermal and long hair
- Design decisions
- Permanent waving and chemical texturizing
- Hair colouring
- Salon business
- Client services

A minimum standing of 70% in both theory and practical skills is required to pass the program; personal assessments also form part of the student's evaluation.

All the instructors are highly trained and up-to-date on the latest techniques and styles.

Note: Human Resources and Skills Development Canada may assist students in this program; contact your local Employment Centre regarding eligibility for sponsorship.

A free information session is usually held in February/March. Check with the Advising Centre for more details, 250-740-6410, or visit viu.ca/infosessions.

Career Opportunities

Prospects are very good, with 85% of graduates being hired within six months of graduation. For those prepared to relocate, job opportunities are even better. Salaries vary widely as they reflect individual talent.

Admission Requirements

- Grade 12, or equivalent, or mature student status.
- Min. 17 years of age.
- Successful completion of a Personal Profile.
- See also Trades general admission requirements.

Apply for Admission Online or Print Application Form

Recommendations for Admission

- Good hand-eye coordination.
- Physically fit and able to stand all day.
- Normal colour vision, good depth perception, and ability to perceive line and form.
- Volunteer work, work experience or experience in a hairdressing salon.

Start Date and Application Deadline

The program starts in January, May, and September; applications are accepted anytime.

Special Expenses

Students will be required to buy the following supplies, which instructors will have available for purchase. The Basic Kit is purchased through a supplier. **Please note:** these supplies are a necessity, and will not be given out without payment.

First Day

- Textbooks and hair supplies: approximately \$860; Basic Kit: approximately \$1,300

Third Week

- Smocks and Shoes: \$100; additional supplies as needed: \$100.

Note: *All fees are subject to change without prior notice.*

Program Outline

- HAIR 125T (Integrated Salon Experience)
- HAIR 136T (Theory I)

- HAIR 137T (Theory II)
- HAIR 138T (Theory III)
- HAIR 141T (Hair Shaping I)
- HAIR 142T (Hair Shaping II)
- HAIR 143T (Hair Shaping III)
- HAIR 146T (Hair Styling and Design I)
- HAIR 147T (Hair Styling and Design II)
- HAIR 148T (Hairstyling and Design III)
- HAIR 156T (Chemical Texturizing I)
- HAIR 157T (Chemical Texturizing II)
- HAIR 158T (Chemical Texturizing III)
- HAIR 166T (Hair Colouring I)
- HAIR 167T (Hair Colouring II)
- HAIR 168T (Hair Colouring III)
- HAIR 176T (Professional Development and Employability Skills I)
- HAIR 177T (Professional Development and Employability Skills II)
- HAIR 178T (Professional Development and Employability Skills III)
- HAIR 186T (Client Services I)
- HAIR 187T (Client Services II)
- HAIR 188T (Client Services III)
- HAIR 196T (Salon Business I)
- HAIR 197T (Salon Business II)
- HAIR 198T (Salon Business III)

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