

## The Diploma in Hair and Beauty at Exeter College



### Level/s

Level 1 and 2 (all grades)

### What is the Hair and Beauty Diploma all about?

The Hair and Beauty Studies Diploma studies the 6 main industries in this sector. These are Beauty Therapy, Nail Technology, Spas, Hairdressing Barbering and Afro Caribbean Hairdressing, Diplomas are new qualifications which give you the chance to mix school studies with work related learning and experience. The course content will be a mix of theory and applied skills.

### This course prepares students to:

Enter the world of work or continue studying in your chosen subject. You will study a mix of general education, subject specific knowledge plus selected practical experience related to any of the six industries. You will also explore a range of related careers and occupations.

### Will I enjoy the course?

The state of the art facilities in the Laurence Building at Exeter College include the very latest hair and beauty technology and equipment including a Beauty Spa in which to study this exciting programme. A professional hair and beauty reception with a dedicated receptionist taking client bookings for a full range of services plus the promotion of top of the range retail products ensures you will train in a commercial yet educationally supportive environment.

### How does it follow on from what I have learnt before?

You will find the sound basis of Science, Humanities, ICT, Maths and English as well as Art and Media Studies a vital starting point for the study of Hair and Beauty. Much of the underpinning knowledge of this vibrant and energetic business is closely linked to business studies, media and fashion where being artistic is an advantage as well as science where the ground work of all products begins.

### What about exams? Is there any coursework?

The course is made up of a range of activities which include The Principal learning, the generic skills, the personal learning and thinking skills, the project and work experience. The principal learning provides the main structure of the qualification with each level being made up of a series of units. These units require you to produce a range of evidence linked to set criteria which is internally graded according to the range and depth of evidence you produce. Internal assessment (assignments) must be produced in controlled conditions at college and the majority of work you produce is marked internally and moderated. One unit at each level has an external test / examination. There are tests for functional skills (maths, English and ICT).

### **What other skills might I develop?**

You will develop teamwork, flexible working, customer and self management skills, creativity and communication as well as employability skills alongside some sector specific practical skills.

You will develop research, evaluation and presentation skills, these will help you become more confident.

### **What could I do next with a Hair and Beauty Diploma.**

You could progress to the next diploma level- as far as level 3 and then you may choose to progress to university, you could become an apprentice in the hair or beauty industry and study an NVQ up to level 3 and then consider university. You could change diploma lines and study a different diploma at each level. You could access a full time course at the same level or higher in Hairdressing or Beauty including Spa therapy. You could access employment

Be part of a high-impact and creative industry

The Diploma in Hair and Beauty Studies will introduce you to a whole new world.

1. **Employability:** The global environment in which hair and beauty businesses operate, plus personal presentation, hygiene and wellbeing. Learn the principles of basic hair, beauty and nail treatments and routines – along with historic and cultural differences
2. **Customer interaction:** Learn communication skills from client consultation to managing expectations, as well as promotion and selling by recommendation. Introduces basic business systems and processes in a salon reception
3. **Creativity and innovation:** Investigate how personality, culture, race, gender, fashion and religious influences can be expressed through hairstyles, skin care and make-up techniques. Learn the importance of innovation in hair and beauty product design