

2010-2011 Pre-Enrollment Information: Cosmetology

Graduation, Licensure, and Placement Rates

Below are the statistics about the students who released information from their cosmetology state board exam to The Salon Professional Academy. By law, the students have a choice about releasing this information to their school. Therefore, the information provided does not reflect the total picture of this program. **This information is based on audit requirements of the reporting time frame of 9-1-2010 to 8-31-2011.**

Graduation Rate: **70%** or **40** of the **57** students in the cosmetology program scheduled to graduate between 9-1-2010 to 8-31-2011 graduated. Of the remaining **17** students, **6** were dropped due to unsatisfactory attendance, **1** student went on a leave of absence, **1** moved out of the country, **2** were dismissed due to poor conduct, **2** dropped due to health reasons, **2** were dropped due to unsatisfactory grades, **3** dropped due to financial reasons.

Licensure Rate: Of the **40** graduates, **30** reported back with exam results. **97%** or **29** of the **30** reporting graduates passed the exam. **10 of the 40 are scheduled to take their exam.**

Placement Rate: **86%** or **25** of the **29** students who passed boards also reported finding jobs in the cosmetology industry. **80%** or **8** of the **10** scheduled to take their boards reported finding jobs in the cosmetology industry.

Compensation Expected

Cosmetology graduates earn from \$21,900 to \$23,300 in salary and gratuities in an entry-level position depending on the work schedule and the area population. A commission scale is commonly used to pay cosmetologists resulting in much higher pay after an introductory period of several months. Retail commission is also common. Many salons now offer benefits resulting in higher earnings.

Physical Demands of Cosmetology

There are physical demands placed on the body in any career. In cosmetology, care must be taken to protect your back, legs, and feet. One way to do this is strength training to enhance your back, abdomen, and leg muscles. Regular exercise will help to promote all over body conditioning, and will improve circulation in your legs and feet. We recommend consulting your doctor before beginning any exercise program.

Because this job requires that you stand for long periods of time, it is suggested that you wear proper fitting, supportive shoes, and support hose. These are not a requirement but will help to increase your chances of longevity in the profession.

Safety Requirements of Cosmetology

Safety suggestions with this profession would include wearing shoes that would not be slippery when walking on a damp floor. Because you will always be working with water, there is a risk of water spills. Damp hair lying on the floor can also pose a chance of slipping. All hair needs to be swept up following each haircut to minimize accidents. All water spilled should also be wiped up as quickly as possible. It is the responsibility of each stylist to promote a safe work environment.

Gloves should be worn during chemical services to reduce any allergic reaction that an individual may have to certain chemicals.

Any product that would accidentally get in the eyes should be flushed thoroughly with water. Seek medical attention if irritation continues.

Licensing Requirements for Cosmetology in Missouri

Cosmetology graduates completing 1500 hours and all course work may take the state board exam to receive a cosmetology license in Missouri. The exam covers cosmetology theory and Iowa law and rules related to cosmetology.

I have read and understand the information provided above prior to my contract signing.

Student Signature

Date