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Beauty Therapy Level 3

This course is suited for learners seeking to advance in their profession or to become salon managers and/or salon owners.

The VTCT Level 3 NVQ Diploma in Beauty Therapy qualification will provide you with the knowledge and skills to develop your career within the Beauty Industry.

Learners will develop their communication and customer service skills as well as practical and commercial skills, all of which are valued highly by employers.

Waltham Forest College is putting sustainability at the heart of everything that we do, and in this course, you will learn about the environment and how salons are working to become sustainable by introducing energy saving techniques, sourcing clean, vegan, ethical and eco products and by recycling. You will learn how by adopting these sustainable practices, the Beauty Industry can minimise its impact on the environment while promoting a healthier and more ecoconscious approach to beauty.

The course is scheduled over 3 or 4 days per week and will be a mixture of theory and practical lessons.

Sector Overview

The Beauty Industry offers numerous opportunities for professionals with different specialities to start or advance their careers. If you have knowledge of cosmetic chemistry and skin biology and want to help people look and feel well, you may consider becoming a beauty therapist. It's one of the largest expanding industries within the Hair & Beauty Sector.

The work environment can be varied in size, style and ambiance, from a cruise ship, through to small bespoke salons or luxury high end beauty salons and spas. A beauty therapist works independently or as part of a team supported by a manager.

Entry Requirements

The entry requirements for this course are:

Beauty Therapy Level 2 qualification

You will be required to attend an informal interview which may include completing an assessment based on your prior qualifications.

What will I study?

This course consists of the following modules:

- Monitor and maintain Health and Safety procedures in the salon
- Client care and communication in beauty related industries
- Working in beauty related industries
- Provide body massage
- Provide facial electro-therapy treatments
- Provide body electro-therapy treatments

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There are several optional units which can be added to fulfil qualification requirements:

- Apply individual permanent lashes
- Apply microdermabrasion
- Provide Indian head massage
- Provide electrical epilation
- Contribute to the effective running of business
- Explore technological developments within the hair and beauty and associated areas

How will I be assessed?

You will be assessed via:

- Continual assessment throughout the course
- Written assignments
- Written/online test
- o Portfolios of collated study evidence

Practical assessments are undertaken on paying clients and must be completed in a commercially acceptable timescale.

In addition to timetabled classes there is provision for independent study time. Students will undertake independent learning, investigation and research and bring this to present and share in subsequent classes.

Enrichment

To further enhance your progression, you will actively participate in skills competitions internally as well as opportunities to participate in World Skills. You will take part in trips and visits, such as Professional Beauty and Salon International. You will also have access to key employers that will deliver guest lectures to build your industry knowledge and create your future.

Our Student Common Room is also a great place to unwind and relax during your breaks. It features pool tables, table tennis, a gaming corner and lots of comfy sofas so you can refresh before your next lesson. Themed events are held in the Common Room so you can get the best experience of being a Waltham Forest College student.

Work Experience

You must complete 36 hours (1 week) of internal/external work placement which is an essential part of the programme. Some of the opportunities will include placements with employers such as Bannatyne, Kallure and Walthamstow Wellness Centre.

Progression opportunities

The completion of this course will allow you to progress onto:

- Laser & Intense Pulsed Light Treatments (IPL) Level 4
- o Employment
- University

Alumni

Waltham Forest College is a vibrant and aspirational college and will support you to reach your career aspirations. Last year 96% of learners progressed onto a positive destination either to higher levels of study,

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