Cosmetology

Associate of Applied Science (A.A.S.)

Southern Arkansas University Tech's Cosmetology program allows students to earn a technical certificate and complete the required number of hours to sit for the state board license exams. Students may also complete an AAS degree. During the program, students will learn the basic cosmetology skills as set forth by the Arkansas Department of Health-Cosmetology Division. The training to become a licensed cosmetologist includes haircutting, coloring, perming, styling, manicuring, pedicuring and facials as well as cosmetics. Students also learn salon development. Students practice the skills learned in a model salon/lab setting. Upon successful completion of all courses, the student will be prepared to take the National Cosmetology Theory Examination.

Program Goals

- 1. Able to pass state board examinations.
- Able to perform skills in the areas of hair cutting, hair styling, hair coloring, skin care, make-up application, manicuring, and pedicuring.
- 3. Able to specialize in hair cutting, hair styling, hair coloring, skin care, make-up application, manicuring, and pedicuring.
- 4. Able to communicate effectively with colleagues, supervisors, and guests.
- 5. Able to project professionalism.
- 6. Able to perform basic analytical skills to be able to advise clients on total look concepts.
- 7. Able to apply academic learning, technical information and related matter to assure sound judgements, decisions and procedures.

Program Learning Outcomes (PLOs)

- PLO 1. Demonstrate competency levels to qualify for state license exam.
- PLO 2. Communicate effectively both verbally and non-verbally.
- PLO 3. Engage and take responsibility as active learners and critical thinkers.
- PLO 4. Demonstrate customer service skills, self-growth, and personal development.
- PLO 5. Perform salon business such as front desk operations, dispensary inventory, resume building and interviewing skills, and self-marketing.
- PLO 6. Perform hair care services for all types of hair including hair analysis, hair cutting, hairstyling, hair coloring and lightening, permanent waving and chemical relaxing
- PLO 7. Perform natural nail services including manicuring and pedicuring.
- PLO 8. Perform basic skin care services including skin analysis, facials, makeup application and superfluous hair removal.



DEGREE PLAN 2021-2022

Developmental Coursework

Course Number	Course Title	Required	Enrolled	Completed
ENGL0121	Composition I Lab			

Semester I (15 credit hours)

Course Number	Course Title	Enrolled	Completed
¹ COSM 1009	Orientation to Cosmetology		
¹ COSM 1013	Hair/Scalp Disorders & Treatment		
¹ COSM 1023	Hair Cutting/Styling & Related Theory 1		

Semester II (15 credit hours)

Course Number	Course Title	Enrolled	Completed
¹ COSM 1015	Hair Cutting/Styling & Related Theory 2 [P1]		
¹ COSM 1017	Chemical Reformation & Related Theory [P1]		
¹ COSM 1113	Principles of Hair Coloring & Related Theory [P1]		

Semester III (15 credit hours)

Course Number	Course Title	Enrolled	Completed
¹ COSM 2003	Manicuring & Related Theory [P2]		
¹ COSM 2002	Principles of Skin Care & Related Theory [P2]		
¹ COSM 2017	Hair Cutting/Styling & Related Theory 3 [P2]		
¹ COSM 2013	Preparation for State Licensing Exam [P2]		

Additional Requirements for A.A.S. Degree (15 hours)

Course Number	ACTS#	Course Title	Enrolled	Completed
ENGL1113	ENGL1013	Composition I [P3]		
MATH1063	MATH1113	Math Reasoning [P3]		
MIS1003	CPSI1003	Introduction to Computers		
SOC2013	SOCI1013	Introduction to Sociology		
Choose three (3) hours from the courses below:				
CO2213	ENGL2023	☐ Technical Writing [P4]		
ENGL1123	ENGL1023	☐ Composition II [P4]		

Total Hours for A.A.S. Degree: 60

¹ Indicates Technical Certificate in Cosmetology (45 hours) .	
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PREREQUISITES

P1	COSM 1009; COSM 1003; COSM 1013.
P2	COSM 1009; COSM 1003; COSM 1013; COSM 1007; COSM 1113; COSM 1015.
P3	Refer to SAU Tech Placement Plan.
P4	ENGL1113-Composition I.

PLO 9. To have the knowledge of decontamination control, public hygiene and special sanitation procedures used for the protection of the client and future professional.

General Information

- Developmental coursework may be required in addition to the courses required for this degree and/or certificate(s).
- A [P] indicates that a prerequisite is required before the course can be taken. Refer to the prerequisites table listed below the degree plan or the course description in the College Catalog to determine the prerequisite.

General Requirements

- The technical certificate requires successful completion of 45 credit hours.
- The A.A.S. degree requires successful completion of **60** credit hours.
- A minimum 2.00 cumulative grade point average is required for graduation.
- Satisfaction of all financial obligations due to the college is required for graduation.

Residency Requirement

The student is required to complete a minimum of 15 semester hours in residence at SAU Tech for associate degrees and technical certificates and half of the credit hours required for certificates of proficiency as well as complete all other graduation requirements. Students who wish to pursue additional degrees must complete a minimum of 15 credit hours of difference between the degrees.

ACTS Course Numbers

The Arkansas Course Transfer System (ACTS) contains information about the transferability of courses within Arkansas public colleges and universities. Students are guaranteed the transfer of applicable credits and equitable treatment in the application of credits for admissions and degree requirements. Go to http://acts.adhe.edu for more information.