



COSMETOLOGY - OPERATOR CERTIFICATE CAREER PATHWAY MAP

READ ALL NOTES CAREFULLY:

- a) The Operator Certificate cohorts begin in the Fall and Spring of each school year
- b) Fall 2026
Spring 2027
Summer 2027
Fall 2027

✓	RECOMMENDED COURSE SEQUENCE	SEMESTERS OFFERED	MY PLAN (Semester and Year)	CREDIT HOURS
☐	1. CSME 1401 Orientation to Cosmetology	F, Sp		
☐	2. CSME 1310 Introduction to Haircutting and Related Theory	F, Sp		
☐	3. CSME 1443 Manicuring and Related Theory	F, Sp		
☐	4. CSME 1453 Chemical Reformation and Related Theory	F, Sp		
				15 hours
☐	5. CSME 2401 Principles of Hair Coloring and Related Theory	Sp, Su		
☐	6. CSME 1254 Artistry of Hair Design I	Sp, Su		
☐	7. CSME 1348 Principles of Skin Care	Sp, Fa		
☐	8. CSME 2336 Advanced Cosmetology Techniques	Sp, Fa		
				12 hours
☐	9. CSME 1308 Principles of Eyelash Extensions	Su, Fa		
☐	10. CSME 2351 Preparation for State Licensing Practical Exam	Su, Fa		
				6 hours
*** [COSMETOLOGY OPERATOR CERTIFICATE EARNED] *** NOTE: When these courses have been successfully completed, the student will have the required 1,000 hours and will be eligible to sit for the Texas Department of Licensing and Regulation (TDLR) examinations in order to obtain a Cosmetology license.				33 hours

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Self-Employment
Platform Artist
Spas, Resorts, Cruise Ships

Salon Owner
Color Expert
Mini-Salon License

LINKS TO COLLEGES AND PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS:

Texas Department of Licensing and Regulation (TDLR): <https://www.tdlr.texas.gov/>

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