# **Beauty & Holistic Therapies** Guernsey College of further education

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### Introduction to the course

As the desire to look and feel good has increasingly become more important for both men and women, the demand for the services of beauty therapists has steadily increased. New techniques and innovations in treatments and products, as well as advances in medical technologies, are also driving the growth of the industry.

Most beauty therapists work in beauty salons or spas. There are also opportunities to work in hotels, medical clinics, sports injuries clinics, fitness and health clubs. Makeup specialists may also find work in the areas of fashion, media and the performing arts. There are even opportunities to work overseas, in holiday resorts or on cruise ships. Some beauty therapists are self- employed, running their own salon.

At Guernsey College of Further Education you will receive the highest level of specialist training to prepare you for entry into the beauty sector. The College has two commercially equipped salons, which are open to the public, giving learners vocationally relevant work experience throughout their course.

## **Campus**

Les Ozouets

### **Course outline**

The courses we offer prepare you for working in the industry and will emulate real working environments.

Level 1 VTCT Certificate in Vocational Studies for Hair & Beauty.

Units covered will be:

- Developing self
- Preparation for work
- **Environmental awareness**
- Working as part of a group

Plus a selection of hair and beauty units

Level 2 City & Guilds NVQ Beauty Therapy. Units covered will be:

- Lash and brows
- Makeup
- Waxing
- Facial
- Manicure and pedicure
- Anatomy and physiology
- Reception duties
- Health and safety

Level 3 City & Guilds NVQ Beauty Therapy. Units covered will be:

- Body massage
- Electrolysis
- Face and body electric
- Indian head massage
- Intimate waxing or lash extensions

### \* Most universities require five GCSEs at grade C/4 or above, including English and maths, as well as a Level 3 qualification.

Students who successfully complete all elements of their programme at College will be able to progress onto the next level, eg from Access to Level 1, Level 1 to Level 2, and from Level 2 to Level 3.

# **Entry criteria**

Level 1: Working at Entry Level 3 with the ability to work towards Level 1. A genuine interest in the hair & beauty sector as well as a good reference and an interview are required.

Level 2: Four GCSEs at D/3, an interview and reference. All students study at Level 2 in their first year, and progress onto Level 3 in their second year.

We also welcome applications from mature learners who want to develop their skills to work within the beauty sector. Please contact us for further details.

### **Assessment method**

The course is a competency based qualification. Learners will need to demonstrate they are competent and this will be assessed during practical observations. Theory and knowledge will be assessed by online exams and oral and written questioning. Learners will develop an online evidence portfolio of their work.

# **Progression opportunities**

Level 1 graduates can progress onto the Level 2 course; Level 2 graduates can progress to Level 3 or enter employment.

Level 3 graduates can progress into employment, or further specialised training. Future job roles could include:

- Beauty counter consultant
- Spa/salon therapist
- Self employed/salon owner
- Makeup artist
- Aethetician
- Holistic therapist
- Sports and remedial therapist
- Work on cruise ships, worldwide hotels and spas

# **Course duration**

Level 1: One year, full-time Levels 2 and 3: Two years, full-time

















# Additional learning support

As part of your learning programme, if you have not yet attained a grade C/4 or equivalent in mathematics and English language, you will be required to study a Functional Skill or GCSE in these subjects.

Students may require additional support for a number of reasons. At the start of your course you will be asked to complete an initial assessment in order for us to identify any additional needs that you may have. During your course, your personal tutor will be able to guide you on how best to access support.

We can offer the following:

- Progress Coaches
- Learner Support assistance (1:1)
- Learner Support assistance (group)
- Learner Support assistance (drop-ins)
- Specialist ESOL teaching
- Study lab sessions
- In-class support
- Special arrangements for exams

For more details or how to apply, please contact: **Gillian McCartney** gillianm@gcfe.net (01481) 749440

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