

Barbering

PROGRAM OBJECTIVES

Barbering is one of the oldest professions in the world. Barbering developed from early cultural and tribal beginnings into the recognized profession that it is today. In Eastern College's barbering program students will practice the latest techniques and explore products specific to this field.

PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

Program approved by the Nova Scotia Registered Barbers Association. Registration with the Association is covered by student tuition.

Students receive CPR/First Aid, and WHMIS training.

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Successful graduates of this program will be eligible to register as apprentice barbers through the Nova Scotia Registered Barbers Association.

PREREQUISITES

Grade 12 or equivalent

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

A student must obtain an overall grade, in each module of at least 70% in order to graduate and receive a diploma. In addition, a student must complete all requirements of the Practical with Assessment requirements.

PROGRAM OVERVIEW

Course	Hours
Student Success Strategies	20
Professional Skills for Barbering	40
Introduction to Barbering Science*	50
Barbering Theory I*	80
Barbering Practical I*	200
Barbering Theory II*	80
Barbering Practical II*	200
Barbershop Operations*	50
Onsite Barbershop*	200
Bookkeeping Fundamentals	40
Career Planning and Preparation Level I	20
Career Planning and Preparation Level II	20
CPR and First Aid/WHMIS	20
Practical with Assessment	120
TOTAL WEEKS (without breaks)	32
TOTAL WEEKS (with maximum** scheduled breaks)	35

**Number of break weeks will depend on student start date

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COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

Student Success Strategies

Instructor Led

In this orientation module, emphasis is placed on thinking about achieving success from Day One. This module stresses the importance of developing non-technical skills to enhance personal, academic, and career success. This includes understanding learning styles and honing practical study skills, such as memory, reading, note-and test-taking techniques. Personal exercises will focus on teamwork, decision making and problem solving skills, setting SMART goals and maintaining a positive attitude; techniques for managing change, stress and conflict will also be explored. Students will be evaluated through a variety of assignments, projects, presentations, quizzes and exams in addition to their participation throughout the course.

Professional Skills for Barbering

Instructor Led

This module is designed to equip students with the professional skills they need to be effective in the field of barbering. Students will learn what is required in developing a professional image as a barber and how to translate those skills when operating a barbershop (students will go more in-depth on this in the module on: Barbershop operations). Among the many professional skills students will need in order to be successful in the field, the module will allow students to reinforce the knowledge and skills they learnt in previous modules on shaving (face, neck and ears), the art of clipper cutting (short, long and curly hair), and the techniques involved in using the shear for cutting, trimming and grooming men's hair. These skills will assist them in operating and maintaining a professional working environment. Students will be evaluated through a variety of assignments and exams in addition to their participation throughout the course.

Introduction to Barbering Science

Instructor Led

Students begin this module by reviewing what constitutes good study habits along with the characteristics of a professional image. Goal setting and time management skills are also covered. After a discussion on the history of the barbering profession, students quickly move into studying microbiology with emphasis on bacteriology. The transmission and prevention of hepatitis and HIV/AIDS as well as that of parasites is covered. Infection control – decontamination, disinfection, sanitation and other safe work practices – is covered. Students will learn to identify and correctly use the primary tools of the profession. The structure, muscular details and important nerves of the head, face and neck are studied in addition to how body chemistry impacts the practice of barbering. Students identify and define common electrical terms, discuss and recognize electrical safety devices, discuss the use of electrical modalities and learn the effects of ultraviolet and infrared light. This module also includes the knowledge development of histology and disorders of the skin, hair structure, composition and growth and disorders of the scalp and hair. Students will be evaluated through a variety of assignments and exams in addition to their participation throughout the course.

Barbering Theory I

Instructor Led

This module provides a theoretical approach to the techniques associated with the treatment of the human hair. Students will learn about the benefits of using shampoos, conditioners, scalp and hair tonics and treatments to maintain the oils and proteins needed for healthy hair maintenance. The module exposes students to the benefits of facial massage and treatments, the techniques involved in hairstyling, as well as the proper implements, linen and barber chairs required for the shop and salon. Students will learn the theory behind the procedures of draping, scalp manipulation and general hairstyling for men. This module lays the theoretical foundation as a prerequisite to Barbering Practical I, where students are provided with the opportunity to translate theory into practice. Students will be evaluated through a variety of assignments and exams in addition to their participation throughout the course.

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Barbering Practical I

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This module proceeds from Barbering Theory I and provides students' with the practical experience and demonstrative skills needed for the treatment and maintenance of the human hair. Students will apply the techniques and procedures involved in wet hair services, including the proper draping of clients, shampooing, conditioning, rinsing and treating clients' hair. The module, also allows students to showcase the procedures for facial treatment and massage for men, including alopecia, dry scalp and protein oils. Students will demonstrate the use of proper implements, linen and barber chairs in the shop and salon. Students will show the correct techniques involved in skin and massage manipulations and apply the correct products and supplies for facial massage and manipulations. This module lays the foundation for Barbering Practical II and serves as a prerequisite to Barbering Theory II. Students will be evaluated through a variety of practical components in addition to their participation throughout the course.

Barbering Theory II

Instructor Led

This module provides a theoretical approach to the techniques associated with the fundamentals of shaving, cutting and styling human hair. Students will learn about the 14 shaving areas of the face, as well as the procedures involved in maintaining the mustache and beard. The module also addresses the sanitation and safety precautions associated with the shaving and honing of razor, and the different hand positions and strokes for hair shaping. Students will garner the theory and basic principles surrounding haircutting and styling and superfluous hair removal. The module exposes students to the proper techniques involved in the care of styling wigs (men) and over curly hair. The proper hair implements, supplies and equipment are also introduced in the module and the process for maintaining them. This module lays the theoretical foundation as a prerequisite to Barbering Practical II, where students are provided with the opportunity to translate theory into practice. Students will be evaluated through a variety of assignments and exams in addition to their participation throughout the course.

Barbering Practical II

Instructor Led

This module proceeds from Barbering Theory II and provides students with the opportunity to further enhance their practical experience and demonstrative skills from Barbering Practical I. The module allows students to engage in more hands on experience in shaving, cutting, and styling men's hair. Students will apply the techniques and procedures involved in shaving the face, neck and ears. The module, also allows students to showcase the techniques involved in styling men's hair (waving and blow drying), and the procedures for taking care of men's hair pieces and the grooming of mustaches and beards. Students will also demonstrate the ability to perform straight razor-holding positions and cutting strokes. The practical nature of this module lays the foundation for the Onsite Barbershop module, which focuses on advanced men's stylistic haircutting. Students will be evaluated through a variety of practical components in addition to their participation throughout the course.

Barbershop Operations

Instructor Led

In this module, students will learn how to operate a barbershop and explore the provincial regulations governing barbering and the rules around apprenticing and licensing. Students will address the current industry trends including the types of shops and salons. The module exposes students to the intricacies associated with self-employment, owning and operating a shop or salon and the techniques involved in sales are also covered. Students will learn how to conduct effective job search, prepare an application for employment as a barber (complete with resume and portfolio) and how to prepare for employment interviews. The module provides students' with the tools they need for managing a successful barbershop. This module adds to the foundation of the Onsite Barbershop, where students are provided with the opportunity to further their practical skills in haircutting. Students will be evaluated through a variety of assignments and exams in addition to their participation throughout the course.

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Onsite Barbershop

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This module proceeds from Barbering Practical II and provides students' with the opportunity to advance their practical experience and demonstrative skills that they have garnered from Barbering Practical I and II. The module allows students to practice advanced haircutting, including; style cuts (short, medium and long), tapering and other techniques, clipper variation crew cut, flat top and cutting over curly hair. Students will apply the techniques and procedures involved in creating artistic designs when cutting mustaches and trimming beards. Students will demonstrate intricate razor shaving techniques suited for clients with different hair texture. The course offers students with first-hand knowledge of how an onsite barbershop looks and feels like. The onsite barbershop operates evenings and weekends and provides students with the opportunity to work with "real" clients. During this module, students are supervised at all times by a Master Barber, and clients have the liberty to either walk in or make appointments in advance for hair cutting, styling and grooming. Students will be evaluated through a variety of practical components in addition to their participation throughout the course.

Bookkeeping Fundamentals

Instructor Led

This module introduces fundamental bookkeeping principles and practices for small businesses. Students will study the accounting equation, account categories, the debit and credit system of bookkeeping, and correcting entries. Regular business transactions and adjusting journal entries are recorded, and the trial balance and basic financial statements are prepared. Students will be evaluated through a variety of assignments, projects, and exams in addition to their participation throughout the course.

Career Planning and Preparation Level I

Instructor Led

This module introduces tools for planning and preparing for a successful job search, so that students can maintain a career-focused approach throughout their education program. Students will learn about the "Hidden" Job Market and ways to access it in their upcoming job search, how to research opportunities and network for industry contacts, and use appropriate etiquette when communicating with prospective employers. Students will identify their personal skills, values and preferences for the workplace, begin preparation of a professional resume and references, and organize proof documents for their career portfolio. Class discussions on various self-management topics introduced in Student Success Strategies will round out this module, which is a pre-requisite for Career Planning and Preparation - Level II.

An introduction to Occupational Health and Safety is also provided, with specific focus on the definition of occupational health and safety; an individual's safety rights; responsibility under Nova Scotia law; hazard identification and control; WHMIS; First Aid and fire safety requirements. Students will be evaluated through a variety of assignments, projects, and quizzes in addition to their participation throughout the course.

Career Planning and Preparation Level II

Instructor Led

This module continues to build on the concepts and skills introduced in Career Planning and Preparation - Level I. Students will learn how to conduct an effective job search and identify various methods of applying for work with today's technology. Students will create a personal list of "Top Employers" and target current industry opportunities, while finalizing their professional resume, portfolio and career correspondence. Students will learn to identify the different types and forms of interviews, practice responding to typical questions, and practice follow-up, evaluation and negotiation techniques they can use to ensure success. Self-management topics from Career Planning and Preparation - Level I will be reviewed, with a focus towards on-the-job success in both learner placements and post-graduate employment. Students will be evaluated through a variety of assignments, projects, and quizzes in addition to their participation throughout the course.

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CPR and First Aid/ WHMIS

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The module provides comprehensive CPR training to students interacting with the general public or working in a workplace environment. Students will learn the responsibilities and skills of applying first aid measures to clients in need as well as administering CPR to assist in the event of a cardiac emergency, choking or stroke for Adults, Infants or Children. The module also provides students with WHMIS training and the safety measures and guidelines they need to follow when exposed to or working with hazardous materials and other WHMIS products in the workplace. Students will be evaluated through a variety of assignments and exams in addition to their participation throughout the course.

Barbering Practical with Assessment

Offsite Work Placement

At the successful completion of the classroom hours of this program, students will be placed in a 120-hour placement at an outside Barbershop. Students will have the opportunity to apply their new and developed skills in a real-world environment. During their supervised placement, students will demonstrate the art of barbering, working with diverse clients with short, long and curly hair. Their practical experience will be assessed based on their knowledge, skills and professionalism. Students will be evaluated through a practical demonstration of their barbering skills throughout their placement.

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