The Associate in Applied Science degree in Barbering offers students an opportunity to gain industry knowledge and practice in haircutting/shaping, razor shaving, styling, creative and graphic designs, chemical services, skincare, and nailcare. Additionally, students will acquire information about operating and owning a business to best prepare them to assume key consulting positions within the industry and to successfully own and manage their own barbershop. Training with live models and consultation with industry professionals are highlights of the program in emphasizing a myriad of career opportunities in the field. Required proficiency exams and exam preparation/reviews are part of the program in meeting the Illinois Department of Professional Regulation (IDFPR) standards. All discipline courses are taught by licensed teaching staff, using standard industry equipment, approved facilities, and quality course content that meets industry requirements.

In the Barbering AAS degree program, students will also complete general education courses that include English composition, mathematics, computer information science, and business courses. Additional elective coursework may cover topics in art or theater art to enhance visual acuity and perception in executing hair design, razor shaving and styling.

### Program Requirements

#### General Education Coursework

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**Total Hours:** 65

At least one course must meet the Human Diversity (HD) requirement.

### Pathway

This is an example course sequence for students interested in Barbering. It does not represent a contract, nor does it guarantee course availability. If this pathway is followed as outlined, you will earn an Advanced Certificate (AC) and Associate in Applied Science degree (AAS) in Barbering. One course will satisfy the Human Diversity (HD) requirement, and is labeled with an (HD) in the sequence below.

### Semester-by-Semester Program Plan for Full-Time Students

All plans can be modified to fit the needs of part-time students by adding more semesters.

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College(s): TR

Program Code: 0462
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Semester 2
COSMET 103 Basic Styling Technology 6
COSMET 104 Basic Chemical Technology 6
CIS 120 Introduction to Computer Applications 1 3
Hours 15
Semester 3
COSMET 107 Barber Salon Technology I 7
COSMET 108 Barber Salon Technology II 7
Hours 14
Semester 4
COSMET 203 Advanced Barbering 6
COSMET 204 Barbering Summative Seminar 6
Hours 12
Semester 5
BUSINES 111 or BUSINES 216 Introduction To Business 1 3
MATH 118 General Education Math 1 4
Social and Behavioral Sciences course (HD) 1 3
Hours 10
Total Hours 66
1 General Education Requirement

Choose your courses with your College Advisor.

Careers
This program can prepare students for the jobs listed below. Click on each one to learn more, including average earnings, annual job openings, and how much education people in that field have. For additional guidance and resources on career options, current City Colleges students and alumni can contact the Career Services Office (https://www.ccc.edu/departments/Pages/Career-Services.aspx).

Barbers
Job Description
Provide barbering services, such as cutting, trimming, shampooing, and styling hair, trimming beards, or giving shaves.

Salary Based on Experience Level
Take a look at the average hourly/annual earnings for this career in Cook County

Lightcast earnings figures are based on OES data from the BLS and include base rate, cost of living allowances, guaranteed pay, hazardous-duty pay, incentive pay (including commissions and bonuses), on-call pay, and tips.

Annual Wages
Entry-Level 10th Percentile $6,931
Median 50th Percentile $22,069
Senior-Level 90th Percentile $56,226

Hourly Wages
Entry-Level 10th Percentile $3
Median 50th Percentile $11
Senior-Level 90th Percentile $27

Annual Job Openings
123 annual openings in Cook County

National Education Attainment
Here, you can see the level of education that people in this career complete.

Degree Program
% of Jobs
A high school diploma or less 45.49%
A certificate 28.70%
Some college 11.74%
An Associate degree 11.13%
A Bachelor's degree 1.68%
A Master's or Professional degree 1.25%
A Doctoral degree or more 0.00%

2.93% continue their education beyond an associate degree