

Level 2 & 3 Diploma in Women's Hairdressing

What is a Level 2 & 3 Diploma?

Level 2 Diploma is the equivalent to five GCSE's grade 4 and a Level 3 Diploma is the equivalent to one A-Level. They are for learners over the age of 16 who wish to specialise or progress into Hairdressing, through advanced apprenticeships, further study or employment. This course seeks to develop the skills required in industry.

Why study a Level 2 & 3 Diploma in Hairdressing?

To provide you with an exciting practical course simulating a working salon, with paying clients. During the course, you will be encouraged to seek work experience outside the salon to get a feel for the Industry.

How is a Level 2 & 3 Diploma in Hairdressing taught?

The qualification is made up of practical sessions and theory lessons. Practical sessions will be in our commercial salon learning and practising on tuition heads and then paying clients. In theory lessons, you will gain the underpinning knowledge you need to complete your exams. You will need to allow time for independent study.

To study this course, what qualifications will I need and in which subjects?

A minimum of 4 GCSE qualifications. Two of which must be at least grade 4 and English and Maths at Grade 4. English and Maths retakes will be available for suitable students. Prior Hair and beauty study is desirable but not essential.

What is the structure of the course?

Year 1 – Level 2 Mandatory Units	Year 2 – Level 3 Mandatory Units
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The art of dressing hair • Client consultation for hair services • Follow health and safety practice in the salon • Working in the hair industry • Cut women's hair • Colour and lighten hair • Shampoo and condition the hair and scalp <p>You will be required to complete an additional 3 optional units</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Promote and sell products and services to clients • Monitor and maintain health and safety practice in the salon • Cut women's hair to create a variety of looks • Style and dress hair using a variety of techniques • Colour hair to create a variety of looks • Hairdressing consultation support for colleagues <p>You will be required to complete an additional 3 optional units.</p>
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What kind of career does this subject/qualification prepare me for?

Learners who complete this qualification are eligible to become a State Registered Hairdresser (SRH) with The Hairdressing Council. Career opportunities as an advanced hairdresser/senior stylist exist in a variety of contexts, including:

Product manufacturing and training

- Armed services
- HM prison service
- Cruise liners
- Hospitals/care homes

- Commercial salons

- Specialist African type hair salons
- Independent/self-employed/mobile/home-based settings
- Television, film, theatre and media

As part of the Hairdressing course students also study for a qualification in Personal & Social Development and Work Skills