



Human Services Career Cluster

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Regional Program of Study: Cosmetology and Personal Care Services

Approved in ESC Regions 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 16, 17, 18, 19, & 20

**The list of approved ESC regions is updated every school year. Be sure to check the CTE regional program of study website for updates.*

The Cosmetology and Personal Care Services regional program of study focuses on occupational and educational opportunities associated with providing beauty and personal care services. This program of study includes managing personal care facilities and coordinating or supervising personal service workers.



Secondary Courses for High School Credit

Level 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Principles of Cosmetology Design and Color Theory
Level 2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Introduction to Cosmetology
Level 3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cosmetology I + Cosmetology I Lab
Level 4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cosmetology II + Cosmetology II Lab Career Preparation for Programs of Study

Aligned Advanced Academic Courses

Dual Credit

Dual credit offerings will vary by local educational agency.

Students should be advised to consider these course opportunities to enrich their preparation. AP or IB courses not listed under the Secondary Courses for High School Credit section of this framework document do not count towards concentrator/completer status for this program of study.

Work-Based Learning and Expanded Learning Opportunities

Work-Based Learning Activities

- Work part-time in a salon, spa, or barbershop
- Participate in an apprenticeship at a salon to become an apprentice stylist

Expanded Learning Opportunities

- Tour a salon, spa, or barbershop
- Participate in SkillsUSA

Aligned Industry-Based Certifications

- Cosmetology Operator License



Example Postsecondary Opportunities

Apprenticeships

- Apprentice Stylist

Associate Degrees

- Cosmetology Operator
- Esthetics and Skin Care



Example Aligned Occupations

Hairdressers, Hair Stylists, and Cosmetologists

Median Wage: \$27,286

Annual Openings: 8,014

10-Year Growth: 25%

Skincare Specialists

Median Wage: \$35,112

Annual Openings: 778

10-Year Growth: 38%

First-Line Supervisors of Personal Service Workers

Median Wage: \$36,795

Annual Openings: 2,253

10-Year Growth: 29%

Data Source: TexasWages, Texas Workforce Commission. Retrieved 3/8/2024.



For more information visit:

<https://tea.texas.gov/academics/college-career-and-military-prep/career-and-technical-education/programs-of-study-additional-resources>



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Statewide Program of Study: Health and Wellness

The Health and Wellness program of study focuses on occupational and educational opportunities associated with promoting physical, emotional, and mental health and wellness. This program of study includes assisting patients in planning for their health and wellness, responding to crises, providing education or counseling, making referrals, and addressing barriers to accessing health and wellness services.



Secondary Courses for High School Credit

Level 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Principles of Human Services
Level 2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Human Growth and Development Child Development Parenting II: Child Development Entrepreneurship I
Level 3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Counseling and Mental Health Parenting I: Family and Community Services
Level 4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Food Science Career Preparation for Programs of Study

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Work-Based Learning and Expanded Learning Opportunities

Work-Based Learning Activities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Shadow a dietician in a local hospital or nursing home to learn about tailoring diets to patient needs Work part-time as a peer counselor at a community non-profit organization that works with children Intern at a non-profit organization to learn about identifying resources to serve needs of participants
Expanded Learning Opportunities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Participate in FCCLA

Aligned Industry-Based Certifications

- Community Health Workers
- Food Safety & Science Certification



Example Postsecondary Opportunities

Apprenticeships

- Community Health Worker Apprentice

Associate Degrees

- Social Work
- Community Health Services Counseling

Bachelor's Degrees

- Social Work
- Mental Health Counseling

Master's, Doctoral, and Professional Degrees

- Nutrition Sciences
- Dietetics



Example Aligned Occupations

Community Health Workers

Median Wage: \$39,520
Annual Openings: 501
10-Year Growth: 25%

Dietetic Technician

Median Wage: \$28,919
Annual Openings: 160
10-Year Growth: 18%

Dietitians and Nutritionists

Median Wage: \$63,687
Annual Openings: 475
10-Year Growth: 21%

Data Source: TexasWages, Texas Workforce Commission. Retrieved 3/8/2024.



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