

Purpose statement

The following purpose is for the **Level 2 Technical Award in Hair and Beauty Studies (601/7247/2).** This qualification is suitable for you if aged 14 - 16.

Area	Description
OVERVIEW	
Who is this qualification for?	This qualification allows you to explore the exciting world of hair and beauty and the environment in which its industries operate.
	If you enjoy looking back in time to explore changing trends and developments within the hair and beauty sector, find out how science is used to create products, and understand why we create images for business use, then this qualification is for you.
What will the student study as part of this qualification?	You will study how hair and beauty has developed from ancient times to the present day and develop hair styling, make-up and manicure technical skills to produce your own photographic image. You will explore ethics of product testing, effects of ingredients on hair and skin and how disorders of the hair and skin can impact services.
	This qualification has three units:
	Exploring the world of hair and beauty
	 Science of hair and beauty
	Design in the hair and beauty sector
What knowledge and skills will the student develop as part of this qualification and how might these be of use and value in further studies?	The qualification develops the following knowledge, understanding and skills:
	 specific services carried out within the hair and beauty sectors, roles and responsibilities and typical working patterns
	 evolution of hair and beauty from use in ancient times to the mid 90s
	 how technological advancements, changes to the economy, and social factors have influenced the sector
	 chemistry of cosmetics and biology related to hair and beauty
	 uses of design and images for business use

-	• technical hair styling, make-up and manicure skills.
	Your understanding and skills can be developed further through progression to other qualifications, such as A levels or specific to a sector, including:
	 City & Guilds Level 2 Diploma in Beauty Therapy/Beauty Consultancy/Hair and Media Make-up
	 City & Guilds Level 2 Diploma in Women's Hairdressing/ Barbering
	You would also find the understanding and skills useful to progress to an apprenticeship.
Which subjects will complement this course?	GCSEs in Biology, Chemistry, Business Studies, Computer Science and Graphic Design will complement this qualification.
FURTHER INFORMATION	Please refer to the Qualification Handbook, available on the City & Guilds website, for more information.