

Hairdressing Apprenticeships

Course Information

In the UK there are over 31,000 salons employing around 180,000 people that are using a range of cutting and styling techniques. Hairdressers can also work in hotels, cruise liners, film and photographic studios and sets. Self-employment is common for many experienced hairdressers.

Hairdressers should have good interpersonal skills, be able to interpret clients' requests, have the ability to work quickly and accurately with their hands and have a keen interest in fashion and hair trends. In the salon there are promotional opportunities to managerial roles and with the right experience and training hairdressers may choose to set up their own salon.

Hairdressers salaries range from £6,864 to over £30,000 a year.

Source: Connexions

What is an apprenticeship?

Apprenticeships are high quality work-based training programmes for people who want to earn while they learn and gain practical and transferable skills that today's employers are looking for.

Who are they for?

Apprenticeships are open to anyone living in England and not taking part in full-time education.

What do I need to start?

1. Previous training

- Entry is subject to a successful interview and assessment, and you will be asked to complete a written assignment task in College.

2. A job

You will need to have a job as a hairdresser. You can either find an employer yourself or we can assist you with your job search. Call us to find out more.

How long will my apprenticeship take?

Each apprenticeship lasts up to two years.

What will I get out of it?

Earnings

Recent research found that apprentices earn an average of £170 net pay per week. Research also shows that apprentices earn, on average, over £100,000 more throughout their lifetime than other employees. As of August 2009 the minimum wage for an apprentice aged 16 years is £95 per week.

Qualifications

When you have successfully completed your apprenticeship in Hairdressing you will gain:

- NVQ Level 2/Level 3 in Hairdressing
- Key Skills.

Prospects

Apprenticeships train you in the skills employers want, so when you've finished you can carry on working, maybe get promoted, or go on to higher education in a college or university.

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How much does an apprenticeship cost?

The government cover the full cost of training for 16–18 year olds and contribute towards costs for those aged 19 or above.

How do I apply?

To apply for an apprenticeship you will need to fill out and return an application form.

To request an application form:

Tel: 01234 291000

Email: apprenticeships@bedford.ac.uk

Once complete, please send your application form to:

Apprenticeships
Bedford College
FREEPOST BF356
Bedford
MK42 9BR

Once we have reviewed your application form we may invite you for an interview and assessment.

To find out more about a Bedford College Apprenticeship

call **01234 291000**

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