

Cosmetology

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State	Meets Educational Requirements	Does Not Meet Educational Requirements	Comments
Alabama	X		Additional requirements must be met for licensure as a cosmetologist in Alabama. The Alabama Board of Cosmetology requires applicants to be at least 16 years old and pass an exam. Additional information regarding licensure can be found at https://www.aboc.alabama.gov/exams/exam-requirements-fee
Alaska		X	The Alaska Board of Barbers and Hairdressers regulates cosmetologists. The specific educational requirements and any additional requirements for licensure can be found at https://www.commerce.alaska.gov/web/cbpl/ProfessionalLicensing/BoardofBarbersHairdressers.aspx
Arizona		X	The Arizona Barbering and Cosmetology Board regulates cosmetologists. The specific educational requirements and any additional requirements for licensure can be found at https://bcb.az.gov/apply/personal-license
Arkansas	X		Additional requirements must be met for licensure as a cosmetologist in Arkansas. The Arkansas Department of Health requires applicants to be at least 16 years old and pass an exam. Additional information regarding licensure can be found at https://www.healthy.arkansas.gov/programs-services/topics/cosmetology
California	X		Additional requirements must be met for licensure as a cosmetologist in California. The California Board of Barbering and Cosmetology requires applicants to be at least 17 years old and pass an exam. Additional information regarding licensure can be found at https://www.barbercosmo.ca.gov/
Colorado		X	The Colorado Office of Barber and Cosmetology Licensure regulates cosmetologists. The specific educational requirements and any additional requirements for licensure can be found at https://dpo.colorado.gov/BarberCosmetology
Connecticut	X		Additional requirements must be met for licensure as a cosmetologist in Connecticut. The Connecticut Examining Board for Barbers, Hairdressers and Cosmeticians requires applicants to pass an exam. Additional information regarding licensure can be found at https://portal.ct.gov/DPH/Public-Health-Hearing-Office/Barbers-Hairdressers-and-Cosmeticians/Examining-Board-for-Barbers-Hairdressers-and-Cosmeticians
Delaware	X		Additional requirements must be met for licensure as a cosmetologist in Delaware. The Delaware Board of Cosmetology and Barbering requires applicants to not have been the recipient of any administrative penalties related to their cosmetology practice, to not have any impairment related to drugs or alcohol, to not have been convicted of a crime or have a pending criminal charge substantially related to their cosmetology practice, to not have any pending disciplinary proceedings or unresolved complaints, and to pass an exam. Additional information regarding licensure can be found at https://dpr.delaware.gov/boards/cosmetology/

Florida	X		Additional requirements must be met for licensure as a cosmetologist in Florida. The Florida Board of Cosmetology requires applicants to be at least 16 years old and pass an exam. Additional information regarding licensure can be found at http://www.myfloridalicense.com/DBPR/cosmetology/.
Georgia	X		Additional requirements must be met for licensure as a cosmetologist in Georgia. The Georgia State Board of Cosmetology and Barbers requires applicants to be at least 17 years old and pass an exam. Additional information regarding licensure can be found at https://sos.ga.gov/georgia-state-board-cosmetology-and-barbers.
Hawaii		X	The Hawaii Board of Barbering and Cosmetology regulates cosmetologists. The specific educational requirements and any additional requirements for licensure can be found at https://cca.hawaii.gov/pvl/boards/barber/.
Idaho		X	The Idaho Barber and Cosmetology Services Licensing Board regulates cosmetologists. The specific educational requirements and any additional requirements for licensure can be found at https://apps.dopl.idaho.gov/DOPLPortal/BoardPage.aspx?Bureau=BCB.
Illinois	X		Additional requirements must be met for licensure as a cosmetologist in Illinois. The Illinois Department of Financial and Professional Regulation requires applicants to be at least 16 years old and pass an exam. Additional information regarding licensure can be found at https://idfpr.illinois.gov/profs/cosmo.html.
Indiana	X		Additional requirements must be met for licensure as a cosmetologist in Indiana. The Indiana State Board of Cosmetology and Barber Examiners requires applicants be at least 17 years old and pass an exam. Additional information regarding licensure can be found at https://www.in.gov/pla/professions/cosmetology-and-barber-home/.
Iowa		X	The Iowa Board of Cosmetology Arts and Sciences regulates cosmetologists. The specific educational requirements and any additional requirements for licensure can be found at https://hhs.iowa.gov/Licensure/Iowa-Board-of-Cosmetology-Arts-and-Sciences/Licensure.
Kansas	X		Additional requirements must be met for licensure as a cosmetologist in Kansas. The Kansas Board of Cosmetology requires applicants be at least 17 years old and pass an exam. Additional information regarding licensure can be found at https://www.kansas.gov/kboc/Cosmetology.htm.
Kentucky		X	The Kentucky Board of Cosmetology regulates cosmetologists. The specific educational requirements and any additional requirements for licensure can be found at https://kbc.ky.gov/Licensure/Pages/License-Requirements.aspx.
Louisiana	X		Additional requirements must be met for licensure as a cosmetologist in Louisiana. The Louisiana Board of Cosmetology requires applicants to be at least 16 years old and pass an exam. Additional information regarding licensure can be found at http://www.lsbclouisiana.gov/.
Maine	X		Additional requirements must be met for licensure as a cosmetologist in Maine. The Maine Office of Professional and Financial Regulation requires applicants pass an exam. Additional information regarding licensure can be found at https://www.maine.gov/pfr/professionallicensing/professions/barbering-cosmetology-licensing.

Maryland	X		Additional requirements must be met for licensure as a cosmetologist in Maryland. The Maryland Board of Cosmetologists requires applicants to be at least 17 years old and pass an exam. Additional information regarding licensure can be found at https://dlt.state.md.us/license/cos/.
Massachusetts		X	The Massachusetts Board of Registration of Cosmetology and Barbering regulates cosmetologists. The specific educational requirements and any additional requirements for licensure can be found at https://www.mass.gov/orgs/board-of-registration-of-cosmetology-and-barbering.
Michigan	X		Additional requirements must be met for licensure as a cosmetologist in Michigan. The Michigan Board of Cosmetology requires applicants to be at least 17 years old and pass an exam. Additional information regarding licensure can be found at https://www.michigan.gov/lara/bureau-list/bpl/occ/prof/cosmetology.
Minnesota	X		Additional requirements must be met for licensure as a cosmetologist in Minnesota. The Minnesota Board of Cosmetology requires applicants to pass an exam. Additional information regarding licensure can be found at https://mn.gov/boards/cosmetology/.
Mississippi	X		Additional requirements must be met for licensure as a cosmetologist in Mississippi. The Mississippi State Board of Cosmetology requires applicants to be at least 17 years old and able to read, write, and speak English and pass an exam. Additional information regarding licensure can be found at https://www.msbc.ms.gov/.
Missouri	X		Additional requirements must be met for licensure as a cosmetologist in Missouri. The Missouri Board of Cosmetology and Barber Examiners requires applicants to be at least 17 years old and pass an exam. Additional information regarding licensure can be found at https://pr.mo.gov/cosbar.asp.
Montana		X	The Montana Board of Barbers and Cosmetologists regulates cosmetologists. The specific educational requirements and any additional requirements for licensure can be found at https://boards.bsd.dli.mt.gov/barber-and-cosmetologists/license-information/cosmetologist.
Nebraska		X	The Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services regulates cosmetologists. The specific educational requirements and any additional requirements for licensure can be found at https://dhhs.ne.gov/licensure/Pages/Cosmetology-and-Esthetics.aspx.
Nevada		X	The Nevada State Board of Cosmetology regulates cosmetologists. The specific educational requirements and any additional requirements for licensure can be found at https://www.nvcosmo.com/.
New Hampshire	X		Additional requirements must be met for licensure as a cosmetologist in New Hampshire. The New Hampshire Board of Barbering, Cosmetology and Esthetics requires applicants to pass an exam. Additional information regarding licensure can be found at https://www.oplc.nh.gov/board-barbering-cosmetology-and-esthetics.

New Jersey	X		Additional requirements must be met for licensure as a cosmetologist in New Jersey. The New Jersey State Board of Cosmetology and Hairstyling requires applicants pass an exam. Additional information regarding licensure can be found at https://www.njconsumeraffairs.gov/cos.
New Mexico		X	The New Mexico Board of Barbers and Cosmetologists regulates cosmetologists. The specific educational requirements and any additional requirements for licensure can be found at https://www.rld.nm.gov/boards-and-commissions/individual-boards-and-commissions/barbers-and-cosmetologists-overview/.
New York	X		Additional requirements must be met for licensure as a cosmetologist in New York. The New York Department of State requires applicants to be at least 17 years old, undergo a medical exam to demonstrate freedom from any infectious or communicable disease, complete a state training course on domestic violence and sexual assault and pass an exam. Additional information regarding licensure can be found at https://dos.ny.gov/cosmetology.
North Carolina	X		Additional requirements must be met for licensure as a cosmetologist in North Carolina. The North Carolina Board of Cosmetic Art Examiners requires applicants to pass an exam. Additional information regarding licensure can be found at https://www.nccosmeticarts.com/default.aspx.
North Dakota		X	The North Dakota State Board of Cosmetology regulates cosmetologists. The specific educational requirements and any additional requirements for licensure can be found at https://www.ndcosmetology.com/.
Ohio	X		Additional requirements must be met for licensure as a cosmetologist in Ohio. The Ohio Cosmetology and Barber Board requires applicants to be at least 16 years old and pass an exam. Additional information regarding licensure can be found at https://cos.ohio.gov/home.
Oklahoma	X		Additional requirements must be met for licensure as a cosmetologist in Oklahoma. The Oklahoma Board of Cosmetology and Barbering requires applicants be at least 16 years old and pass an exam. Additional information regarding licensure can be found at https://oklahoma.gov/cosmo/exams/cosmetology.html.
Oregon		X	The Oregon Board of Cosmetology regulates cosmetologists. The specific educational requirements and any additional requirements for licensure can be found at https://www.oregon.gov/oha/PH/HLO/Pages/Board-Cosmetology.aspx.
Pennsylvania	X		Additional requirements must be met for licensure as a cosmetologist in Pennsylvania. The Pennsylvania State Board of Cosmetology requires applicants pass an exam. Additional information regarding licensure can be found at https://www.dos.pa.gov/ProfessionalLicensing/BoardsCommissions/Cosmetology/Pages/Cosmetologist-Licensure-Requirements-Snapshot.aspx.
Rhode Island	X		Additional requirements must be met for licensure as a cosmetologist in Rhode Island. The Rhode Island Department of Health requires applicants to be at least 18 years of age and pass an exam. Additional information regarding licensure can be found at https://health.ri.gov/licenses/detail.php?id=225.

South Carolina	X		Additional requirements must be met for licensure as a cosmetologist in South Carolina. The South Carolina Board of Cosmetology requires applicants to be at least 16 years old and pass an exam. Additional information regarding licensure can be found at https://llr.sc.gov/cosmo/.
South Dakota		X	The South Dakota Cosmetology Commission regulates cosmetologists. The specific educational requirements and any additional requirements for licensure can be found at https://dlr.sd.gov/cosmetology/licensing_requirements.aspx.
Tennessee	X		Additional requirements must be met for licensure as a cosmetologist in Tennessee. The Tennessee Board of Cosmetology and Barber Examiners requires applicants to be at least 16 years old and pass an exam. Additional information regarding licensure can be found at https://tombtnc.gov/boards/barbers/cosmo.html.
Texas	X		Additional requirements must be met for licensure as a cosmetologist in Texas. The Texas Department of Licensing and Regulation requires applicants to be at least 17 years old, to undergo a criminal history background check and pass an exam. Additional information regarding licensure can be found at https://www.tdlr.texas.gov/cosmet/individuals/apply-operator.htm.
Utah		X	The Utah Division of Professional Licensing regulates cosmetologists. The specific educational requirements and any additional requirements for licensure can be found at https://dopl.utah.gov/cosmetology/.
Vermont	X		Additional requirements must be met for licensure as a cosmetologist in Vermont. The Vermont Office of Professional Regulation requires applicants pass an exam. Additional information regarding licensure can be found at https://sos.vermont.gov/barbers-cosmetologists/.
Virginia	X		Additional requirements must be met for licensure as a cosmetologist in Virginia. The Virginia Board for Barbers and Cosmetology requires applicants pass an exam. Additional information regarding licensure can be found at https://dpor.virginia.gov/boards/barbercosmo/.
Washington		X	The Washington State Department of Licensing regulates cosmetologists. The specific educational requirements and any additional requirements for licensure can be found at https://www.dol.wa.gov/business/cosmetology/get_cosmetologist.html.
West Virginia		X	The West Virginia Board of Barbers and Cosmetologists regulates cosmetologists. The specific educational requirements and any additional requirements for licensure can be found at https://wvbbc.com/License-Services/How-To-Become-Licensed.
Wisconsin		X	The Wisconsin Cosmetology Examining Board regulates cosmetologists. The specific educational requirements and any additional requirements for licensure can be found at https://dsps.wi.gov/Pages/Professions/Cosmetologist/Default.aspx.
Wyoming		X	The Wyoming Board of Cosmetology regulates cosmetologists. The specific educational requirements and any additional requirements for licensure can be found at https://cosmetology.wyo.gov/.

General Comments:

States are marked as “Meets Education Requirements” if the JCCC Cosmetology program hours meet or exceed the required hours in

the state. Each state has unique requirements and application processes and reserves the right to make the final determination regarding educational preparedness.