

# BEAUTY THERAPY

Course Mode	Full-time
Location	Milnthorpe Road Campus (MRC)
Duration	2 Years
Level	3



## Course Overview

This course will give you the qualifications and experience necessary to enter the field of beauty therapy and go on to work in beauty salons, spas, as a sales representative, on cruise ships, in health centres, or even start your own business.

You will work alongside enthusiastic and experienced staff and use up-to-date facilities and equipment. The department runs a variety of trips throughout the year, for example, an overseas spa trip. Students also have the opportunity to compete in WorldSkills competitions.

This course will develop your customer care, retailing and team working skills. You will learn how to handle money, multi-task and use your initiative.

This course usually takes place over three days.

During the course, you will study units including:

- Body Massage
- Indian Head Massage
- Stone Massage
- Blended Aromatherapy
- Anatomy and Physiology

Students will be asked to complete some hours of work placement in a salon.

You will learn in a variety of situations including, theory classes, practical workshops and public salons, which are well equipped to prepare you for the industry.

This range of experience is designed to help you gain confidence, independence and professional awareness.

Assessment will be via:

- Portfolio of Evidence
- Practical Demonstration/Assignment
- Written Examination

Beauty Therapy is an assessment-based programme, and although you will have the time on the course for tutor supported learning, you must be prepared to allocate some of your own time for revision and to complete assignments.

All of our learners will be given support with their English and Maths skills where relevant to their main course. Those students who have not yet achieved a Grade 4 (or C) at GCSE in these subjects will continue to work towards these important qualifications at a level suited to them.

However, students will still have to achieve the stated Entry Requirements before they start the course.

## Entry Requirements

Beauty Therapy NVQ Level 2 or equivalent, plus you must show interest and motivation with a keenness to learn.

You will be required to purchase a salon uniform (approx. GBP50) and a kit (approx. GBP100) and text book for your personal use within classes. If the cost of these items would be a challenge and you live in a low income household/ or are in financial hardship, please ask Student Services about the financial support available.

Please speak to the course tutor if you require further guidance.

NB: Enrolment on this course is dependent on meeting the Entry Requirements stated above.

## After your course

You will gain the qualifications and experience necessary to enter the field of Beauty Therapy either locally or further afield.

You could work within the industry in a number of areas, such as:

- Beauty salons
- Health farms
- Sales representatives
- Cruise ship
- Health centres
- Self employed

Progression opportunities to Higher Education include the Level 4 Salon Management or Management roles.

We have a good relationship with many local salons - they contact us when looking for staff and carry out recruitment days in the college.

## Fees

*Course fees are per year for full-time & degree-level courses, and per course for part-time courses.*

The current full-time & degree-level fee information is related to the 2020/21 academic year and is subject to change before the start of the course. Fees for 2021/22 will be updated in the Spring Term 2021. There may also be additional costs associated with the course.

**You may qualify for financial support to cover the cost of a government-funded qualification up to and including Level 2, if you:**

- Receive an eligible means-tested benefit e.g. JSA, ESA or Universal Credit
- Have an annual salary of less than £17,004
- Are aged 16-18 on 31/08/20 and are not studying at another school/college
- Are aged 19-23 on 31/08/20 and do not already have a Level 1 or 2 qualification
- Have a household income under £25,000 and are in financial hardship

### Student Finance

Whether you qualify for student finance depends on specific criteria. The main student finance package for full-time students includes a tuition fee loan and maintenance loan for living costs. Part-time students can access a tuition fee loan to pay for your course.

Generally, you will only get student finance if you're doing your first degree-level qualification. This is true even if your previous course was self-funded.

For further information please see [www.gov.uk/student-finance](http://www.gov.uk/student-finance).

### Access to Learning Fund

The Access to Learning Fund is a non-repayable discretionary fund that gives students facing hardship extra financial support to access and remain in higher education. This can be accessed via the college. Please speak to [Student Services](#) for more information.