

HAIRSTYLIST FOUNDATION

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The Hairstylist Foundation Program combines the art and science of hairdressing at a foundation level. The program provides students with theoretical knowledge and practical application of technical skills to build proficiency, competency and confidence in all aspects of the hairdressing profession.

The program combines classroom instruction and practical application using equipment and tools in The Salon at CMTN and industry workplace settings. Active student learning and participation is emphasized throughout the program to promote the development of knowledge, technical skills and professional behaviour required for success in the industry.

The Hairstylist Foundation program meets the training needs of the industry and the required training objectives established by the Industry Training Authority (ITA).

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Our Educational Advisors (<https://www.coastmountaincollege.ca/student-services/student-support/educational-advising/>) are here to help if you have any questions or need guidance along the way.

Dates and locations

Intake	Location
Hairstylist Foundation: September 8, Terrace 2026 - May 28, 2027	

¹ Future planned intakes may be subject to change. Please check back to confirm availability.

The students learn through practical instruction and student participation with equipment in a salon setting. Successful completion is inclusive of both the technical training and work-based training hours.

The program consists of:

Hairstylist Technical Training 990 hours

Hairstylist Practicum 300 Work-Based training hours

- English Studies 10, English First Peoples 10, and Mathematics 10
- Recommended Science 10
- Grade 12 OR Mature Student

Fees	Domestic	International
Full Time:	43 Weeks	43 Weeks
Tuition:	\$8,506.69	
Student Union Fees: ¹	\$173.04	
Mandatory Fees:	\$1,027.70	
Extended Health and Dental*:	\$295.00	
Total Tuition	\$10,002.43	
Additional Costs:		
Books & Resources: ²	\$700.00	
Classroom Supplies:	\$100.00	
Student Kit: ²	\$1,800.00	
Total Program Cost:	\$12,602.43	

Fees effective August 1, 2026 for the 2026/27 Academic year.

¹ These fees are term based and may vary due to the length of the program.

² Please note that these are approximate costs and may vary.

* The Coast Mountain Students Union (CMSU) is pleased to offer Extended Health and Dental Insurance to all qualifying members. The plan is mandatory for all students enrolled in 6 or more credits or a trades program of 26 weeks or longer. Some students, including those studying overseas and those with existing extended health coverage, are eligible to opt out. Visit <https://cmsu.studenthealthbc.ca/> to learn more about the plan or request to opt out. You will also receive a detailed introductory email no later than 6 weeks after your semester starts. For any inquiries about the plan, please contact the Students' Union Organiser: Bhushra Ansari, organiser@mycmsu.ca

Books / Learning Resources & Supplies

Books/ learning resources are available at the CMTN Bookstore (<https://can01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fcoastmountaincollege.ca%2Fstudent-services%2Fcampus-facilities%2Fbookstore&data=05%7C02%7CMBarro%40coastmountaincollege.ca%7C7552c3b731c547c689c708dcdc9ded86%7C455d8376ff8b4f7fbf3a0b460af0ef58%7C7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWljojMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzliLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJX%7C0%7C%7C&sdata=6lYaN9XkIPdTyMyER%2FPD0W1BjOOORoBAAgFW6s0FbE%3D&reserved=0>). Please visit your local campus for details or view your current booklist online (<https://can01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fcoastmountaincollege.ca%2Fstudent-services%2Fcampus-facilities%2Fbookstore&data=05%7C02%7CMBarro%40coastmountaincollege.ca%7C7552c3b731c547c689c708dcdc9ded86%7C455d8376ff8b4f7fbf3a0b460af0ef58%7C7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWljojMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzliLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJX%7C0%7C%7C&sdata=Hm0YKpGDhTXnRh29Xkb8r6D2nenWidVn5GdlVEnlxc%3D&reserved=0>) by selecting your desired campus.

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Student kits will be available for purchase on the first day of class but should be paid in advance at the Registration Office. GST and PST will be charged to the student kit price at time of purchase.

In addition to the fees outline above, the following costs apply:

- Appropriate clothing adhering to the dress code
- Laptop computer with Word Processing Program Installed (purchased externally)
- Purchase of necessary learning resources (available at the CMTN Campus Store (<https://www.coastmountaincollege.ca/student-services/campus-services/campus-store/>))
- Classroom Supplies - pencils, pens, eraser, binders and paper

Career opportunities

Hairstylists have many opportunities throughout the beauty industry including working in hair salons, spas, barber shops, schools, hair replacement clinics, health care establishments, hotels, and in the cruise, fashion and entertainment industries. With experience, hairstylists may move into other positions such as salon managers, owners, fashion consultants, educators, platform artists and product sales representatives.