



Diploma in Barbering - HA201

This course is for those who want to pursue a career in the fast growing barbering industry.

COURSE DETAILS

You will study Gents Hairdressing using different barbering techniques.

The course will include the underpinning knowledge and skills to enable you to become a competent barber. This will include:

- Health and safety
- Working in the hair industry
- Client consultation
- Shampoo and condition the hair and scalp
- Cut men's hair
- Cutting facial hair, beards and moustaches
- Styling men's hair
- Reception Duties
- plaiting and twisting hair
- Create an image based on a theme within the hair and beauty sector
- Display stock to promote sales in a salon
- Promote products and services to clients in a salon
- Working with others in the hair and beauty sector
- The art of colouring hair

If your salon employs staff who hold an assessor's qualification you may also be able to achieve assessments in the industry. If you are not working in a salon then a work experience placement would be beneficial. During the course you may be given the opportunity to attend national shows and exhibitions where you can see demonstrations by some of the country's leading Barbers. Once a year we hold a College show and you may be expected to participate.

ENTRY GUIDELINES

To study a Level 2 qualification, you will need:

A minimum of 4 GCSEs at grade 3, including English and Maths (or L1 Functional Skills in English and Maths)

OR

A relevant Level 1 qualification with GCSE English and Maths at grade 3 or above (or L1 Functional Skills in English and Maths)

Satisfactory interview and/or assessment

If English is not your first language, you may need an assessment before enrolling on this course. To discuss further, please contact the ESOL department on 0151 551 7144.

EQUIPMENT REQUIRED

To learn effectively on this course, you will need to use certain items of equipment and uniform to undertake particular activities as part of your studies. These will be yours to keep and you will be able to use them for practice at home and in your future career. These items will incur additional costs and can be discussed with a member of the hairdressing and beauty team.

Financial support may be available to assist you with additional costs incurred by this course. For more information visit <https://www.wmc.ac.uk/student-support/financial-support/bursaries-loans>

ASSESSMENT METHOD

Assessments continue throughout the course. Practical assessment tests are carried out and written assignments. In addition there are VTCT End Tests.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- You will need math skills to be able to measure products and work within timings.
- Technical language will be taught on the course.
- You will be expected to provide your own models on a weekly basis from approximately October in order to achieve the looks required for this qualification, this will be discussed further during interview.

This profession and course require you to be able to carry out physical work for long periods of time. Reasonable adjustments will be made to accommodate disabilities.

WHERE CAN I PROGRESS TO?

You may gain positions working as a stylist in barbering salons in the UK area and abroad.

Explore potential careers via [Career Match](#) — it provides current local data on wages and employment prospects.

WHEN DOES THIS COURSE RUN?

CAMPUS	STARTS	ATTENDANCE	COURSE CODE	PLANNED TIME TABLE
	10th Sep 2025	Part Time	HA201-25	
If you are aged 19 or over: Fee : £3345.00 <i>The fee quoted is for the academic year 25/26.</i>				

For advice and guidance, please contact Student Services via our [online enquiry form](#)

This information was current on 12th July, 2025 and may be subject to change.