

2026 Aesthetics Program Outline

Program Overview

The 2025 Aesthetics Program is administered under the Department of Education, CIP Code 12.0409, and consists of 600 clock hours. The program is designed to accommodate both full-time and part-time students, with flexible scheduling options:

Duration	Weeks	Hours/Week	Status	Schedule
5 Months	19 Weeks	32 Hours	Full-Time	8:30 AM - 2:30 PM / Hybrid
8 Months	29 Weeks	21 Hours	Part-Time	8:30 AM – 2:30 PM / Hybrid

Course Description

The aesthetics program is structured into various areas of concentration. To be eligible for graduation, each student must successfully complete a total of 600 hours, which includes both theory and practical training, all required assignments, and passing scores on theory, practical, and exit examinations. Weekly tests correspond with the chapters outlined in the course calendar.

Theory instruction utilizes multiple teaching methods, including lectures, audio/visual presentations, group demonstrations, guest speakers, and other techniques that address individual learning styles.

Teaching Methods

Instruction is delivered through classroom lectures and demonstrations (theory), laboratory-based learning and supervision, field trips, evaluations, student advising, and academic classes in each subject area. Clinic operations are also incorporated into the curriculum. The academy provides audio-visual training aids, such as tapes and DVDs, to reinforce and supplement classroom instruction; however, these resources do not replace the instructor.

600-Hour Aesthetics Course Outline

Subject Area	Hours
Chemistry	40 hrs
Physiology	35 hrs
Bacteriology & Sanitation	35 hrs
Introduction to Skin Care	45 hrs
Skin Care	150 hrs
Makeup & Corrective Makeup	50 hrs
Eyebrow & Lashes	40 hrs
Hair Removal	40 hrs
Safety Precautions	20 hrs
Professional & Personality Development	20 hrs
Management	20 hrs
Salesmanship	15 hrs
State Laws & Rules/Regulations	10 hrs
Testing Evaluation	15 hrs
Instructor's Discretion	65 hrs
Domestic Violence & Sexual Assault Training	1 hr

Grading System

The grading system is as follows:

- Passing: 100% - 75%
- Failing: 74% - 0%

Course Objective

The objective of the Aesthetics program is to deliver comprehensive theory and practical training hours, qualifying individuals to sit for the State of Arkansas Esthetician's Licensure Examination. The primary goal is to provide students with superior education and support, enabling them to excel beyond industry standards and distinguish themselves among professionals in the field.

Program Tuition & Fees

Fee Description	Amount
Application Fee	\$100.00
Registration Fee	\$150.00
Permit Fee	\$20.00
Tuition	\$9,000.00
Kit	\$2,500.00
E-Books & Homework Portal	\$500.00
Physical Textbooks/Workbooks	\$500.00
Total	\$12,770.00 (Subject to change)

All application fees, registration fees, books, kits, uniforms, and materials purchased by the student from the school are nonrefundable and nonreturnable.

Tuition terms can be arranged. The academy offers multiple payment arrangements after the application fee, enrollment fee, and down payment have been paid. The application fee of \$100.00 is due before receiving the application. Registration, a valid driver's license, Social Security card, and either a high school diploma, transcript, or GED must be submitted. A \$2,500 down payment is due prior to the start date.

600-Hour Aesthetics Program – Example Monthly Payment Plan

Down Payment: \$2,500 (due prior to start date)

Full-Time Students

- \$2,567.50 per month for 4 months
- All payments completed no later than one (1) month prior to graduation

Part-Time Students

- \$1,711.67 per month for 6 months
- All payments completed no later than one (1) month prior to graduation

Payment Options for Remaining Balance

- Arkansas Rehabilitation Services: (501) 296-1600 <https://dws.arkansas.gov/ar-rehabilitation-services/>
- Arkansas Rural Endowment: (501) 375-2358 <http://aref.org/>
- U.S. Department of Veteran Affairs: (800) 827-1000; www.va.gov
- Tuition Scholarship
- Pay in Full
- Monthly Installment Options

Payments can be made by cash, money order, cashier's check, check, credit card (with a 3% processing fee), or through the academy's invoicing system (with a 3% processing fee). Students are responsible for paying the total program amount as agreed at enrollment. Payments not made before 5:00 PM on the 5th of the month will incur a 10% late fee.

Additional Fees & Costs

State Board Exam Fees	State Board Practical Exam Fees	Overtime Fees	Uniform Costs
Students pay a fee directly to the PROV testing center upon reaching 600 clock hours to take the state board written exam. Contact the Department of Health – Cosmetology Section for current fees. \$78 fee per test.	Students pay Esthetic Excellence Academy \$60 to take the State Licensing Practical Exam, or a variable fee if tested at another approved site.	\$250 per week over contract date.	All students must wear a school-issued T-shirt and name tag, purchased at enrollment or before class begins. T-shirt: \$27.50+ (2X, 3X, 4X): +\$5.00; Name tag: \$15.00.

All books, kits, uniforms, and materials purchased by the student are nonrefundable and nonreturnable.