Hair and Beauty

Media Make-up

Campus: North Notts College - Worksop Campus
Code: W05SP08
Level: 3

About This Course

This course is designed for students who wish to
pursue a career as an employed or self-employed makeup artist, providing hair and makeup services in the media, theatre, performing arts, fashion and photographic industries.
You'll work with employers and undertake meaningful activity throughout this course to gain valuable industry experience.

You'll develop the knowledge, understanding and skills to provide a wide range of creative make up services in media, theatre and fashion and photographic settings and learn a vast variety of hair styles and understand the related cosmetic science that underpins the subject.

What Will I Study?

You'll study a range of topics including:

- Designing and creating images for fashion shows and photography shoots
- Airbrush make-up
- Face and body art
- Cosmetic camouflage
- Specialised media make-up
- The application of prosthetic pieces and bald caps
- Special effects techniques
- Hair skills – creative hairdressing design skills, styling and dressing hair and fitting postiche

- Anatomy and physiology
- Cosmetic science
- Health and safety
- Research skills
- 32 hours work experience over the academic year
- English and maths (where applicable)

Why Study Here?

- Learn in a realistic, modern salon environment
- Learn from industry-experienced and well qualified tutors, many of whom still work in the industry
- Showcase your skills in inter-college competitions and WorldSkills
- Close links with local employers from the industry including local theatre groups, schools and salons
- Guest speakers and masterclasses from successful former students and local employers
- Learn how to network effectively including an online presence on social media
- You'll work with amateur operatic and theatre groups as part of your course on location in theatres, fashion shows and many more

Entry Requirements

You should hold a previous qualification or experience in Beauty Therapy, Hairdressing or Make-up, or Level 2 Media Make-up, and:

- A successful course interview
- Completion of a summer project as part of the Knowledge, Skills and Behaviours of your interview process
- Excellent communication skills and commitment to the course
- Flexibility to work on location in the evenings and on weekends
- Additional qualifications and experience will be considered on an individual basis

How To Apply

You can apply using our online application form and clicking the **Apply** button at the top of this page.

For more information support with your enquiry or application please contact Student Services by emailing contact@nnc.ac.uk or by calling **01909 504500**.

What Courses Can I Progress Onto?

HNC/HND in Specialist Make-up

Tuition Fees

Those aged 19 or over may not need to pay fees depending on their circumstances. Find out if you qualify for help with fees [https://www.nnc.ac.uk/information/student-support/finance/course-fees/] .

If you need further advice or guidance please contact the Enquiries Team on **01909 504500.**

Additional Information

You'll be expected to purchase a uniform and kit and pay for educational visits which form part of the course.
You must be flexible and able to commit to evening and weekend activities on location assisting with theatre productions, fashion shows and many more.

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