

# Hair and Beauty

# VTCT Level 1 / 2 Technical Award in the Study of Hair and Beauty

## Links to:

- **Biology**
- **Chemistry**
- **Art and Design**
- **Business and Enterprise**
- **English Language**
- **Maths**

The VTCT Level 1/2 Technical Award in the Study of Hair and Beauty is aimed at learners aged 14-16 who have an interest in developing a broad understanding of the hairdressing and beauty therapy sector and related industries, including retail, leisure, manufacturing and other personal care services.

This qualification is designed to use the context of hairdressing and beauty therapy as a vehicle to support learners to develop broad and comprehensive understanding of the sector and related industries but, more importantly, of core academic knowledge and study skills that will support progression into post-16 and higher education. Specifically, the qualification will prepare learners to progress onto qualifications related to the hair and beauty sector, such as the T Level in Hair, Beauty and Aesthetics; however, learners may also progress onto broader areas of study. It is a vocational qualification equivalent to GCSE grades 9-1.

## This qualification consists of three mandatory units:

UC090 Business and entrepreneurship in the hair and beauty sector

UC091 Anatomy, physiology and cosmetic science

UC092 Design in the hair and beauty sector

A written theory exam, externally set and externally marked by VTCT, will contribute 40% to the overall qualification grade and will be undertaken by learners simultaneously

An assignment brief, externally set, internally marked and externally moderated by VTCT, will contribute 60% to the overall qualification grade.

## **Autumn 1**

## **Autumn 2**

## **Spring 1**

## **Spring 2**

## **Summer 1**

## **Summer 2**

### **UC090**

Understand the purpose, structure and concepts of hair and beauty businesses  
Understand the effects on the economy and environment

### **UC090**

Understand the different types of businesses within the hair and beauty sector and the interdependent links with other industries

### **UC090**

Explore legislation, working practices and career pathways. Explore the role and benefits of entrepreneurship. Recognise business opportunities and the role of marketing

### **UC091**

Develop an understanding of cosmetic chemistry, the anatomy and physiology of the integumentary system. Investigate the development of products

### **UC091**

Explore cosmetic ingredients, understand their purpose in hair and beauty, review the development of products from conception to launch and their environmental impact

### **UC092**

Explore design briefs in a range of contexts related to the hair and beauty sector. Explore different types of design briefs, their purpose and how to carry out research.

### **UC092**

Understand the principles of design, problem solving and the environmental, social and economic challenges. Explore how to plan and develop a design brief project

### **UC090/91**

**Exam Preparation**  
Utilise previous exam papers and build on acquired knowledge.

### **UC090/91 Exam (WK1)**

**UC090/91/92  
Synoptic Assignment  
Brief**

### **UC090/91/92**

**Synoptic Assignment  
Brief Submission WK 24**

### **UC090/91/92**

**Resit/Resubmission  
Intervention**

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