

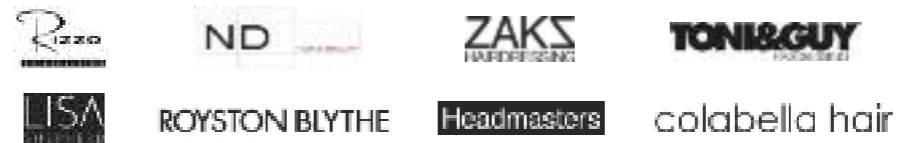
Hair & Beauty

Why study with us?

- We have impressive training and commercial facilities: The Hair Academy and Hair & Beauty Training Salons at Metro One in the city centre and the Academy Spa at Wellington Road campus in Bilston.
- We also have another three hairdressing training salons in Wolverhampton, Telford and Worcester where our Hairdressing Apprentices train by providing hairdressing services to the public under the supervision of staff.
- We are an award winning college. The quality of our hairdressing provision is nationally recognised. It won the National Hairdressing Federation's College of the Year Award for Excellence 2011 and also holds the Wella Centre of Excellence Award.
- The college has been awarded the Training Quality Standard which recognises our commitment to delivering quality training and development solutions for employers.
- This year the college won seven regional medals in Beauty including two gold medals – in fact the student who was awarded gold for beauty therapy went to the UK final and got the highest scoring Silver in the UK. Because of the school's link with UK and World Skills students are invited to attend the World Skills finals in London in October.
- The Spa facility has won a Wave - a nationally recognised kite mark for quality.
- The college regularly enters students in the Francesco Competition which is judged regionally and winners entered in the national final.
- The college's links with the hair and beauty industry are excellent. At Metro One the main involvement is in the hair salon, where the Francesco group train our students. The students studying within the Beauty salons are trained on Dermalogica products. At Wellington Road Spa students are trained on Biodroga (a specialised Spa product) and Nailtiques (a prescriptive manicure/pedicure line of products) among other industry leading companies who are invited in to train our students in the use of their products.
- Overall in both hair and beauty, the school prepares students for working life: by learning to function within a team, in working on a one-to-one basis with clients, being financially aware, and learning how to retain clients and sell services.



Working with local employers...



- The school also works hard to make students aware of their role in wider society. For example, recently employees of multi-national construction company Carillion were offered head, neck and full body massages, manicures and pedicures by the students for charity. Every year learners raise money for a college charity such as breast cancer - it's usually a week-long event involving staff, students and members of the public.

We train over 300 Hairdressing Apprentices every year and we have an 81% success rate with the Advanced Apprenticeship and 77% success rate at Level 2 – that's more than 10% above the national average.

'COLLEGE OF THE YEAR'
National Hairdressers' Federation Award 2011



Hairdressing - African Caribbean Level 1

1 year • Metro One Campus

Entry requirements

Interview and initial assessments. Literacy and numeracy at Entry Level 3 or above.

This course covers shampooing and conditioning of African Caribbean hair types, working on reception, blow drying, and supporting a stylist in the salon. You will learn to remove hair extensions, assist with relaxing and colouring services, and contribute to the effectiveness of the salon, whilst under the expert supervision of fully-trained Tutors. Optional units include plaiting and twisting African Caribbean hair types.

Future options

Courses: Level 2 Hairdressing - African Caribbean, or Level 2 Hairdressing.
Employment: working in a salon as a trainee.

Hairdressing - African Caribbean Level 2

1 year • Metro One Campus

Entry requirements

Completion of Level 1 Hairdressing plus Level 1 or above in Literacy.

You will work in our commercial Training Salon with clients, carry out reception duties, meet and greet clients, and carry out consultations. You will also shampoo, condition and cut clients' hair, style and colour hair within time limitations, while being supervised by Tutors. An optional unit of relaxing African Caribbean hair types can also be studied.

Future options

Level 3 Hairdressing.

Hairdressing - African Caribbean Level 3

1 year • Metro One Campus

Entry requirements

Completion of Level 2 Hairdressing plus Literacy Level 1 or above.

You will work in Metro One's city centre Hair Academy Salon, overseen by Tutors and representatives of Francesco Group and with the benefit of tutorial supervision, the course teaches you how to manage a salon. You will work as a senior stylist in the salon, responsible for trainee stylists working around you. You will work towards financial targets, actively seeking clients by using telephone selling and offering discounts, aiming to achieve an 80% 'return' rate. The skill of completing African Caribbean hair relaxing is also learnt at this level. You will develop practical fashion hairdressing techniques along with demonstration and instructional skills.

Future options

Courses: BA Management course at university or HND Business course in college. Employment: work in salons. Work with Steiner who recruits from the course to their cruise ship salons. Wolverhampton Council may assist you to set up on your own in subsidised facilities. Self-employed mobile hairdressing.

Hairdressing Level 1

1 Year • Metro One Campus

Entry requirements

Interview and initial assessments. Literacy and numeracy Entry Level 3 and above.

You will experience working in a commercial salon environment covering reception duties, meeting and greeting clients, shampooing and styling clients' hair, administering treatments and supporting a stylist in the salon. You will also apply and remove temporary colour from clients' hair under the supervision of fully qualified Tutors.

Future options

Courses: Level 2 Hairdressing or a Hairdressing Apprenticeship.
Employment: Assistant within a hairdressing salon.

Hairdressing Level 2

1 year • Metro One Campus

Entry requirements

Completion of Level 1 Hairdressing plus Level 1 or above in Literacy.

You will work in our commercial Training Salon with clients, carrying out reception duties, meeting and greeting clients, and carrying out consultations. You will shampoo, condition and cut clients' hair, style and colour hair within a set time limit, using appropriate drying and setting techniques with finishing and styling products while being fully supervised by Tutors. Some optional units may be taken.

Future options

Level 3 Hairdressing
Employment: Within the hairdressing industry as a stylist.

Hairdressing Level 3

1 year • Metro One Campus

Entry requirements

Completion of Level 2 plus Literacy at Level 1 or above.

You will work in Metro One's city centre Hair Academy Salon, overseen by Tutors and representatives of Francesco Group. You will work towards financial targets, actively seeking clients by using telephone selling and offering discounts, aiming to achieve an 80% 'return' rate. With the benefit of tutorial supervision, the course promotes a thorough understanding of running a commercial salon. You will develop practical fashion hairdressing techniques along with demonstration and instructional skills. There is an optional unit covering hair extensions.

Future options

Courses: BA Management course at university or HND Business course in college, Teaching Certificate, Salon Management Level 4 Certificate
Employment: work in salons. Work with Steiner who recruits from the course to their cruise ship salons. Wolverhampton Council may assist you to set up on your own in subsidised facilities, with free advice from business managers. Support can continue for up to two years. Self-employed mobile hairdressing.

We are one of the few colleges in Britain that offers dedicated African Caribbean hairdressing courses.



The course was really good and the teaching was very thorough. I really appreciate what I learnt and feel the experience has made me the person I am today. The Academy Hair Salon was especially helpful because it kept you on your toes and gave me a taste of what it would be like to run my own business.



Hairdresser Andrew Parker is the owner of **Vintage Hair Studio** in **Wombourne**. The 21-year-old, who gained his **NVQ Levels 1, 2 and 3** at **City of Wolverhampton College**, decided to study hairdressing because he was looking for a sociable job where he would get to meet people.



Beauty Level 1

Metro One Campus • 1 year

Entry requirements

Level 1 English with initial and diagnostic assessments and an interview.

This is a general course with several practical units that gives you a basic taste of everything in beauty: manicure, pedicure, facials, nail art, photographic make-up, face painting and head massage.

Future options

Courses: Level 2 Nail, Level 2 Beauty (general), Level 2 Spa.
Employment as a Salon Receptionist.

Beauty (General) Level 2

Metro One Campus • 1 year

Entry requirements

Completion of Level 1 Beauty or four GCSEs at D or above including English, Maths and preferably Science. On initial assessment you must achieve Level 2 English.

This course covers manicure, pedicure, facials, waxing, eye treatments and make-up. There are three theoretical units: Health and Safety, salon promotions and salon reception duties, so you will learn skills within the Beauty reception area. Functional Skills are also studied. At this level you learn the skills required for competitions and have the opportunity to go on industry related trips and visits to employers.

Future options

Courses: Massage Level 3, Spa Level 3 or Beauty (general) Level 3.
Employment: Beauty Therapist or Spa Therapist.

Beauty (General) Level 3

Metro One Campus • 1 year

Entry requirements

Level 2 Beauty.

As part of this course you will undertake a week's work experience within a salon. The course covers facial electrics, body electrics (including micro-dermabrasion) spray-tanning (with Su-do professional products), individual lashes and body massage. The anatomy and physiology of the body are studied in detail, as well as epilation (hair removal).

Future options

Employment: working in a salon. You could also work in a skin clinic (with further training in laser treatments, microdermabrasion and epilation techniques).
Courses: Level 4 Foundation Degree in Salon Management.

Spa Level 2

Wellington Road Campus • 1 year

Entry requirements

Completion of Level 1 Beauty; or four GCSEs at grade D or above including English, Maths, and preferably Science. On initial assessment Level 2 English must be achieved.

This course is similar to the general Beauty Level 2 course but you will work on a rota within the Spa Academy, assisting Level 3 learners within the wet area (Jacuzzi, sauna, steam room) and learn how a Spa operates.

Future options

Courses: Level 3 Massage, Level 3 Beauty (general), Level 3 Spa.
Employment in a nail bar, local salon as an Assistant Therapist.

Nails Level 2

Metro One Campus • 1 year

Entry requirements

Completion of Level 1 Beauty; or four GCSEs at grade D or above including English, Maths and preferably Science. On initial assessment you must achieve Level 2 English.

This course covers manicure and pedicure, nail extensions and nail art so is ideal if you want to become a Nail Technologists. Theoretical units covering health and safety and salon reception duties are also studied. There is an additional unit in waxing.

Future options

Courses: Level 3 Massage, Spa (or General, with extra training on facials).
Employment: Nail Technologist.



Level 3 Massage

Wellington Road Campus • 1 year

Entry requirements

Level 2 Beauty

The course covers body massage, stone massage, Indian head massage and aromatherapy and 'G-units'. You will also undertake work experience in the Spa Academy and perfect your skills on 'real' clients.

Future options

Courses: Level 4 Salon Management
Foundation degree
Employment: working in a holistic salon, on a cruise ship or within a spa.

Level 3 Spa

Wellington Road Campus • 1 year

Entry requirements

Level 2 Beauty or Level 2 English and Maths

The course covers body massage, aromatherapy, tanning, stone therapy, body wraps and Spa procedures and processes. You will learn about Spa maintenance including how water testing is completed and cleaning procedures are followed, and about the chemicals used within these processes. You will also conduct consultations with clients to ensure they are fit for treatments and use of the wet area.

Future options

Employment: on cruise ships, salons, hotels and spas.



The Spa Academy is a fully operational, commercially run Spa which is open to paying clients. The facilities allow students to carry out specialised techniques in a commercial environment. Students work five days a week till 9pm and at weekends until they get the taste for early morning, late nights and weekend work which is what the industry requires.



I feel very grateful for the opportunities that the Spa Beauty course has given me. Not only have I gained qualifications but my confidence has really grown. I also get the opportunity to work two days a week in the college spa, which is excellent experience, especially dealing with real people. I am very proud of what I have accomplished, especially winning a silver at the World Skills Beauty. I could not have done it without the support of the tutors. This course will hopefully help me to achieve my ambition to get a job in a health spa overseas."



Lisa Frost decided to study the Level 3 Spa Beauty Course after previously completing the Hairdressing Diploma Level 2 and 3 at the Kings Street Campus. She passed the Spa Beauty Level 2 and is now studying for Level 3. Lisa achieved first place at the World Skill Beauty Heats and went onto win Silver in the final.