

Esthetics Certificate Curriculum No. 450

The Esthetics certificate is designed to prepare an individual to become a Licensed Esthetician, also known as a Skin Care Specialist. This program meets the requirements of the Illinois Department of Financial and Professional Regulation (IDFPR) and graduates will be eligible to sit for the exam approved by the IDFPR to become a Licensed Esthetician in the State of Illinois. The program includes the study of scientific concepts, ethics, business practices, and the theory and application of esthetics technology. An on-campus clinical experience is included. This certificate requires 33 credit hours.

Favorable physical exam, criminal background check, drug screen, TB screening and signed student handbook agreement are required upon admission.

ADMISSION CRITERIA

The Esthetics program has some additional criteria for students to be admitted into the program. To apply to the program, applicants must:

1. Be a minimum of 16 years of age.
 2. Send official transcripts from all high schools, colleges and universities attended to the Admissions Office at Kishwaukee College, 21193 Malta Road, Malta, IL 60150. Official evidence of GED (if applicable) must also be on file in the Admissions Office.
 3. Complete select coursework in one of the two ways:
 - Have previously taken and passed with a “C” grade in the following courses: EST 100, Introduction to Esthetics; HLT 122, Introduction to Nutrition; and PE 162, First Aid and Emergency Response.
- OR—**
- Be enrolled in the EST 100 in addition to first semester required courses for the Esthetics program. The remaining prerequisites, HLT 122, Introduction to Nutrition and PE 162, First Aid and Emergency Response must be completed prior to graduation.

After meeting the above requirements:

4. Complete the Esthetics Certificate Program application for admission. Application forms are on the College website. Applications will be considered on a rolling basis, with priority given to those students who apply before June 1.

Esthetics Program Admissions Process: The Esthetics Program is a limited admission program. Review of all admission criteria will be conducted by college staff. Upon completion of that review, students will be divided into two categories:

1. Students who have completed select coursework (EST 100, HLT 122, PE 162) with a C or better will be considered first.
2. Students who have completed some admission criteria and/or some required program coursework but have not completed all will be considered next.

Up to 12 students will be selected for the program and other qualified applicants will be placed on a waitlist.

Overall GPA may be used as an admission criterion if the number of applicants exceeds the spots available.

If selected for admission, students will be accepted provisionally provided that the following documentation is sent to the Coordinator of Allied Health Programs by August 1, or as soon as possible after provisional acceptance.

1. Receive a physical exam from a Physician and submit the Pre-Entrance Medical Form.
2. Receive a favorable criminal background check.
3. Receive favorable drug screen and TB tests.
4. Submit signed student handbook agreement.

Unfavorable background check, drug screen or TB test results will be discussed with the student and may result in the student being removed from the program.

Students must earn a "C" or higher grade in all courses required for completion of the Esthetics certificate.

Preadmission (or approved co-enrollment)

- EST 100 - Introduction to Esthetics (1)
- HLT 122 - Introduction to Nutrition (1)
- PE 162 - First Aid and Emergency Response (3)

Total Credits: 5

Fall Semester

* EST 110 and EST 111 must be taken together.

- EST 100 - Introduction to Esthetics (1) (If not completed previously)
- TPM 112 - Anatomy/Physiology Comp Health (5)
- EST 110 - Esthetics Procedures I (4) *
- EST 111 - Esthetics Clinical (3) *
- HIT 216 - Medical Terminology I (3)

Total Credits: 15 or 16

Spring Semester

** EST 120 and EST 121 must be taken together.

- EST 120 - Esthetics Procedures II (4) **
- EST 121 - Advanced Esthetics Clinical (3) **
- EST 130 - Esthetics Licensure Seminar (1)
- TPM 109 - Pathology (2)
- TPM 124 - Business Practices and Ethics (3)

Total Credits: 13