



Wirral Met College

# Advanced Beauty Therapist Level 3

**Apprenticeship Standard**

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# Overview



An advanced beauty therapist designs and provides a range of treatments to meet client needs, including advanced facial and body technical (electrical or mechanical) therapies and massage in a private, secure and safe environment. They will also supervise others to support team and business growth and will contribute to the financial effectiveness of the business.

## **Duration:**

18 months + 3 months for the End Point Assessment.

## **Entry Guidelines:**

English & maths at GCSE grade A\*-C/4-9 or Functional Skills level 2  
Beauty Therapist level 2 qualification

*N.B. All apprenticeship standards require apprentices to provide evidence of their English and maths grades before they can progress through the Gateway to their End Point Assessment and achieve the apprenticeship qualification.*



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## Course Overview

Pre-programme	→ On Programme Learning covering Skills, Knowledge & Behaviours	→ Gateway	→ Independent End Point Assessment
Initial assessment English & Maths	Advanced Beauty Therapist Level 3 (day release, Conway Park Campus)		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Knowledge Test</li> </ul>
Skills Scan	Treatment Log	Treatment Log	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Observation &amp; Technology Demonstration</li> </ul>
Induction with Trainer Assessor	<b>On Programme Assessments &amp; Reviews:</b>  6-8 weekly sessions with Trainer Assessor & 8-10 week Progress Reviews with apprentice and employer	English level 2 Maths level 2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Professional Discussion</li> </ul>



# Course Details

This apprenticeship programme is designed to develop the knowledge, skills and behaviours required to be an advanced Beauty Therapist.

The **Skills & Behaviours** element of the apprenticeship is to be completed with support from a Trainer Assessor making periodic visits to the apprentice in the workplace. The Trainer Assessor will support and guide the apprentice to ensure that they are developing the skills and competency required in accordance with the apprenticeship standard.

## **The Knowledge and Skills element of the course will include:**

- 1 Complete advanced consultations including in-depth client lifestyle profiling, establishing suitability for treatment and solutions for improving the condition of the client's physical appearance and emotional welfare.
- 2 Design and perform advanced manual therapies on the face, scalp and body, using the correct products and equipment.
- 3 Design and perform advanced facial technical (electrical or mechanical) therapy treatments to improve facial skin condition and increase lymphatic drainage, using the correct products and equipment.
- 4 Design and perform advanced body technical (electrical or mechanical) therapy treatments, to improve body skin condition, improve body contour and muscle condition and increase lymphatic draining, using the correct products and equipment.
- 5 Provide post treatment aftercare and product advice.
- 6 Promote sales and additional services to enhance the overall treatment results.
- 7 Supervise individual and team activities.
- 8 Record, maintain and store detailed client treatment records.





# Skills & Behaviours

1. **Ownership of work:** accepts responsibility, is proactive, plans their work and aims for excellence.
2. **Professionalism:** demonstrates pride in their work, integrity and adaptability.
3. **Salon and industry ambassador:** works collaboratively and leads by example.
4. **Effective communicator:** chooses and adapts the most appropriate way of communicating with clients.



# Gateway

Once the apprentice has completed all the required elements of the apprenticeship and their manager and Trainer Assessor agree that they are ready for the end point assessment, they will progress through the Gateway to undertake their End Point Assessment.

Before progressing to the end-point assessment, apprentices must have:

- achieved level 2 English and maths Functional Skills or GCSE grade 4-9/A\*-C qualifications



# End Point Assessment

The End Point Assessment must only start once the employer is satisfied that the apprentice is consistently working at or above the level set out in the occupational standard, that means they have achieved occupational competence.

**End Point Assessment (EPA) normally takes 3 months to complete and consists of:**

## 1 Knowledge Test

The online knowledge test will be assessed by 44 multiple choice questions and will take up to 80 minutes to complete. It will cover the knowledge and skills required to be an advanced Beauty Therapist.

## 2 Observation & Technology Demonstration

The observation, which should take 4 hours, will take place in the apprentice's normal workplace and requires the apprentice to work on a minimum of two clients to perform the following:

- one advanced manual therapy (to include face, scalp and body and a Swedish massage technique)
- two technical therapy consultations (one face, one body), including using 2 out of the 7 applications:
  - Galvanic
  - micro-current
  - microdermabrasion
  - low intensity LED light (below 500mW)
  - skin warming devices
  - high/radio frequency
  - electrical muscle stimulation
  - lymphatic drainage equipment
- one advanced facial technical therapy treatment
- one advanced body technical therapy treatment

## 3 Professional Discussion

The purpose of the professional discussion is to determine the extent to which the apprentice understands the requirements of his/her role as defined by the apprenticeship standard and to explore them through discussion.

The professional discussion must last for 45 minutes and should include a minimum of 8 questions, to allow the apprentice the opportunity to evidence their occupational competence.

# Grading & Progression



The available grades for this apprenticeship programme are **Fail, Pass and Distinction.**

## Where can I progress to?

The apprentice may choose to attend further specialist training and/ or to become a salon manager or own their own business.





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