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Institutional Mission and Objectives

The mission of this institution is to provide student's access to Cosmetology and other programs with training that is both comprehensive and professional. Working with our students, we emphasize how to be successful by providing professional services with integrity and with the highest level of skill possible. American Beauty Institute (ABI) provides affordable high quality education. Through traditional classroom instruction, we teach the skills and values needed prosper as cosmetologists, barbers and massage therapists.

BPPE Approval

American Beauty Institute is a private institution and is approved to operate by the Bureau for Private Postsecondary Education. (BPPE) "Approved" means the school operates in compliance with state standards as set forth in Chapter 8, Part 59, Division 10, Title 3 of the California Education Code.

Questions

Any questions a student may have regarding this catalog that have not been satisfactorily answered by the institution may be directed to the Bureau for Private Postsecondary Education at 2535 Capital Oaks Dr., #400 Sacramento, CA 95833, P.O. Box 980818, West Sacramento, CA 95798, www.bppe.ca.gov, toll free telephone number (888) 370-7589 Fax (916) 263-1897

Review Documents

As a prospective student, you are encouraged to review this catalog prior to signing an enrollment agreement. You are also encouraged to review the School Performance Fact Sheet, which must be provided to you prior to signing an enrollment agreement.

Complaints

A student, or any member of the public, may file a complaint about this institution with the Bureau for Private Postsecondary Education by calling toll free (888) 370-7589 or by completing a complaint form, which can be obtained on the bureau's Internet web site www.bppe.ca.gov.

Instructional Location

American Beauty Institute
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San Diego, CA 92111

Placement Services

This institution does not provide placement assistance.

Financial Stability – Bankruptcy History

This institution has not had a pending petition in bankruptcy, is not operating as a debtor in possession and has not filed a bankruptcy petition within the preceding five years nor has had a petition in bankruptcy filed against it within the preceding five years that resulted in reorganization under chapter 11 of the United States Bankruptcy Code

STRF Disclosure

Student Tuition Recovery Fund Disclosures.

"You must pay the state-imposed assessment for the Student Tuition Recovery Fund (STRF) if all of the following applies to you:

1. You are a student in an educational program, who is a California resident, or are enrolled in a residency

program, and prepay all or part of your tuition either by cash, guaranteed student loans, or personal loans, and

2. Your total charges are not paid by any third-party payer such as an employer, government program or other payer unless you have a separate agreement to repay the third party.

You are not eligible for protection from the STRF and you are not required to pay the STRF assessment, if either of the following applies:

1. You are not a California resident, or are not enrolled in a residency program, or

2. Your total charges are paid by a third party, such as an employer, government program or other payer, and you have no separate agreement to repay the third party."

"The State of California created the Student Tuition Recovery Fund (STRF) to relieve or mitigate economic losses suffered by students in educational programs who are California residents, or are enrolled in a residency programs attending certain schools regulated by the Bureau for Private Postsecondary Education.

You may be eligible for STRF if you are a California resident or are enrolled in a residency program, prepaid tuition, paid the STRF assessment, and suffered an economic loss as a result of any of the following:

1. The school closed before the course of instruction was completed.

2. The school's failure to pay refunds or charges on behalf of a student to a third party for license fees or any other purpose, or to provide equipment or materials for which a charge was collected within 180 days before the closure of the school.

3. The school's failure to pay or reimburse loan proceeds under a federally guaranteed student loan program as required by law or to pay or reimburse proceeds received by the school prior to closure in excess of tuition and other costs.

4. There was a material failure to comply with the Act or this Division within 30 days before the school closed or, if the material failure began earlier than 30 days prior to closure, the period determined by the Bureau.

5. An inability after diligent efforts to prosecute, prove, and collect on a judgment against the institution for a violation of the Act."

However, no claim can be paid to any student without a social security number or a taxpayer identification number.

NOTICE CONCERNING TRANSFERABILITY OF CREDITS AND CREDENTIALS EARNED AT OUR INSTITUTION

The transferability of credits you earn at American Beauty Institute is at the complete discretion of an institution to which you may seek to transfer. Acceptance of the diploma or certificate you earn in the educational program is also at the complete discretion of the institution to which you may seek to transfer. If the diploma or certificate that you earn at this institution are not accepted at the institution to which you seek to transfer, you may be required to repeat some or all of your coursework at that institution. For this reason you should make certain that your attendance at this institution will meet your educational goals. This may include contacting an institution to which you may seek to transfer after attending American Beauty Institute to determine if your diploma or certificate will transfer."

Accreditation Status

This institution is not accredited by an accrediting agency recognized by the United States Department of Education. These programs do not lead to licensure in California or other states. A degree program that is unaccredited or from an unaccredited institution is not recognized for some employment positions, including but not limited to, positions with the State of California. A student enrolled in an unaccredited institution is not eligible for federal financial aid.

Catalog Update Policy

The policy of this institution is to update the official school catalog annually, in January of each year. Annual updates may be made by the use of supplements or inserts accompanying the catalog. If changes in educational programs, educational services, procedures, or policies required to be included in the catalog by statute or regulation are implemented before the issuance of the annually updated catalog, those changes shall be reflected at the time they are made in supplements or inserts accompanying the catalog.

Visa Related Services

This institution does not admit students from other countries, so no visa related services are offered.

Language of Instruction

Instructions will be given in no language other than English.

English as a Second Language Instruction

This institution does not provide ESL instruction.

Language Proficiency

The following apply to students for whom English is not their primary language:

For a student whose high school or equivalent coursework was not completed in English, and for whom English was not a primary language, we will seek a score of 500 on a paper based TOEFL test or a score of 70 on the internet based test. The TOEFL requirement does not apply to students who have received their high school diploma or the equivalent at an academic institution which has provided the instruction in the English language. Similarly, the TOEFL requirement does not apply to students who have completed coursework, in English, at the college level.

Policy – Distribution of This Catalog and Program Brochures

This institution makes its current catalog and current program brochures available to the public at no charge. Individuals who wish to obtain a copy can make arrangements by simply calling the school's office.

Student Services

This institution does not provide orientations, airport reception services, housing assistance or other services. Further, this institution maintains a focus on the delivery of educational services. Should a student encounter personal problems which interfere with his or her ability to complete coursework, this institution will provide assistance in identifying appropriate professional assistance in the student's local community but does not offer personal counseling assistance.

Student Housing

This institution has no responsibility to find or assist a student in funding housing.

This institution does not operate dormitories or other housing facilities. This institution does not provide assistance nor does it have any responsibility to assist students in finding housing. Housing in the immediate area is available in two story walkup and garden apartments. Monthly rent for a one bedroom unit is approximately \$1,200 a month. (www.apartmentguide.com)

Student Grievance Procedures – Student Rights

Most problems or complaints that students may have with the school or its administrators can be resolved through a personal meeting with the student's instructor or a counselor. If, however, this action does not resolve the matter to the satisfaction of the student, he/she may submit a written complaint to the main campus:

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San Diego, CA 92111

The written complaint must contain a statement of the nature of the problem, the date the problem occurred, the names of the individuals involved, copies of documents if any, which contain information regarding the problem, evidence demonstrating that the institution's complaint procedure was properly followed, and the student's signature. The student can expect to receive a written response within ten business days. Student's rights are set forth at various places in this catalog. Contact the school director if you require additional information.

- Complaint procedures
- Right to Cancel
- Student Tuition Recovery Fund
- Notice Concerning Transferability of Credits
- Student Grievance Procedures
- Student Rights to Inspect Records and Obtain Transcripts
- Non-Discrimination Policy
- Academic Freedom
- Sexual Harassment

Student Records and Transcripts

Student records for all students are kept for five years. Transcripts are kept permanently. Students may inspect and review their educational records. To do so, a student should submit a written request identifying the specific information to be reviewed. Should a student find, upon review, that records that are inaccurate or misleading, the student may request that errors be corrected. In the event that a difference of opinion exists regarding the existence of errors, a student may ask that a meeting be held to resolve the matter. Each student's file will contain student's records, including a transcript of grades earned. The first copy of the official transcript is provided at no charge. Subsequent copies are available upon advance payment of the transcript fee of \$25.00 for two copies. Transcripts will only be released to the student upon receipt of a written request bearing the student's live signature. No transcript will be issued until all tuition and other fees due the institution are paid current.

Privacy Act

It is this institution's intent to carefully follow the rules applicable under the Family Education Rights and Privacy Act. It is our intent to protect the privacy of a student's financial, academic and other school records. We will not release such information to any individual without having first received the student's written request to do so, or unless otherwise required by law.

Student Conduct

Students are expected to behave professionally and respectfully at all times. Students are subject to dismissal for any inappropriate or unethical conduct or for any act of academic dishonesty. Students are

expected to dress and act accordingly while attending this institution. At the discretion of the school administration a student may be dismissed from school for reasons including, but not limited to:

- Coming to class in an intoxicated or drugged state.
- Possession of drugs or alcohol on campus.
- Possession of a weapon on campus.
- Behavior creating a safety hazard to other person(s).
- Disobedient or disrespectful behavior to other students, an administrator or instructor.
- Stealing or damaging the property of another.

Any students found to have engaged in such conduct will be asked to leave the premises immediately. Disciplinary action will be determined by the Chief Executive Officer of this institution and such determination will be made within 10 days after meeting with both the chair of the department in which the student is enrolled and the student in question.

Nondiscrimination Policy

This institution is committed to providing equal opportunities to all applicants to programs and to all applicants for employment. Therefore, no discrimination shall occur in any program or activity of this institution, including activities related to the solicitation of students or employees on the basis of race, color, religion, religious beliefs, national origin, sex, sexual orientation, marital status, pregnancy, age, disability, veteran's status, or any other classification that precludes a person from consideration as an individual. Please direct any inquiries regarding this policy, if any, to the Chief Operations Officer who is assigned the responsibility for assuring that this policy is followed.

Academic Freedom

American Beauty Institute is committed to assuring full academic freedom to all faculty. Confident in the qualifications and expertise of its faculty members, the college encourages its faculty members to exercise their individual judgments regarding the content of the assigned courses, organization of topics and instructional methods, providing only that these judgments are made within the context of the course descriptions as currently published, and providing that the instructional methods are those officially sanctioned by the institution, methods for which the institution has received oversight approval.

American Beauty Institute encourages instructors and students to engage in discussion and dialog. Students and faculty members alike are encouraged to freely express views, however controversial, as long as they believe it would advance understanding in their specialized discipline or sub-disciplines.

Sexual Harassment

This institution is committed to providing a work environment that is free of discrimination, intimidation and harassment. In keeping with this commitment, we believe that it is necessary to affirmatively confront this subject and express our strong disapproval of sexual harassment. No one associated with this institution may engage in verbal abuse of a sexual nature; use sexually degrading or graphic words to describe an individual or an individual's body; or display sexually suggestive objects or pictures at any facility or other venue associated with this institution. Students are responsible for conducting themselves in a manner consistent with the spirit and intent of this policy.

Description of the Facilities & Type of Equipment Used for Instruction

American Beauty Institute is located at 4625 Convoy Street Suite A San Diego CA 92111 over 2,000 sq feet in a spacious air conditioned, two story modern facility that is accessible to all public transportation. For each program of study at American Beauty Institute equipment and supplies are provided that are sufficient to meet the educational needs of the students.

Library Resources

Access to a library is not required by the curriculum to support the instructional needs of the students, (CCR71270) and therefore, no physical library is maintained by this institution. The text materials and classroom activities are sufficient to support the curriculum and instruction required by either the Board of Barbering and Cosmetology or the California Massage Therapy Council, (CAMTC). However, learning resources are available from online sources, some of which are listed below. The students may obtain access to these websites by either at home or by utilizing one of the institution's computers. Student's are to request permission to use the institution's equipment from their instructor or any member of the administrative staff. School internet access is available during school operating hours.

Online Cosmetology Resources Available to Our Students

Web Sites

- **Salon Channel**

Resources for cosmetologists, estheticians, nail technicians, massage therapists, cosmetologists, hairstylists, makeup artists, manufacturers, distributors, and salon and day spa owners.

<http://www.salonchannel.com/>

- **Beauty Site**

Hair styles, beauty how-to's, skin, makeup, and style from About.com. Check out the Beauty Library for lots of tips and articles.

<http://beauty.about.com/index.htm>

- **Beauty Tech**

Networking site for beauty professionals. Lots of links for nails, skin care, salons, trade magazines, beauty products and suppliers, articles and news, and information on state licensing boards.

<http://www.beautytech.com/>

- **BeautyLink**

News, experts' tips, answers to beauty questions.

<http://www.beautylink.com/>

- **Beautynet**

Articles and tips from beauty professionals and experts and links to products and services, for both professionals and customers.

<http://www.beautynet.com/>

- **Behind the Chair**

Products, trends, job search, trade shows, training, articles, and industry news for cosmetologists salon professionals.

<http://www.behindthechair.com/>

- **Lipstick Page**

Many links to cosmetics companies, make-up tips, and, of course, a wealth of information about lipstick. From Madeleine Endre.

<http://broadroom.net/lp/blogs/>

- **Milady**

A leading publisher of beauty education materials.

<http://www.milady.com/>

- **Barbers, Cosmetologists, and Other Personal Appearance Workers**

Job opportunities and descriptions, *Occupational Outlook Handbook*

<http://www.bls.gov/oco/ocos169.htm>

- **National Cosmetology Association**

NCA's membership includes more than 25,000 salon owners, hairdressers, nail technicians, estheticians, educators, and students - and is the world's largest association of salon professionals.

<http://www.ncacares.org/>

Admissions Policies & Recognition of Credits

The general criteria for admission are:

1. Student must have graduated from high school, or earned a GED. If the applicant is not a high school graduate and has not earned a GED, an applicant may take an Ability to Benefit test. The Wonderlic Basic Skills Test (WBST) is the ability to benefit test that will be proctored by an independent third party. Passing scores Verbal – 200, Quantitative – 210
2. Student must pay all applicable fees, as per the current published fee schedule prior to the issuance of an enrollment contract or make other arrangements acceptable to the school.
3. This institution does not award credit for satisfactory completion of CLEP or other comparable examinations. This institution does not award credit for experiential learning.
4. This institution has not entered into an articulation or transfer agreement with any other institution.

Attendance Policy – All Cosmetology Programs

Students are required to attend 100% of the scheduled sessions throughout the entire program. When a student falls below 100% attendance they will be placed on probation for the remainder of the program. The student must complete the course within a maximum time frame of one and one-half (1 ½) times the length of the course as stated in the enrollment agreement. For example, if the student has contracted to complete the course within 44 weeks, he or she must complete within 66 weeks. The student will be notified of their probation status and they will be required to meet with the Program Director.

Attendance Policy – All Other Programs

Students are required to attend more than 100% of the scheduled sessions throughout the entire program. When a student falls below 100% attendance they will be placed on probation for the remainder of the program. The student will be notified of their probation status and they will be required to meet with the Program Director.

Leaves of Absence

Should circumstances be such that a leave of absence is to be requested, a student must submit an application for a leave of absence to the main campus:

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The written notice must contain a statement of the nature of the request. At the discretion of the Chief Academic Officer, a leave may be granted for a reasonable time, as warranted by the circumstances. If a student repeatedly resorts to the use of a leave of absence, and if such applications show a pattern of delays, or should the issuance of a leave of absence be such that it would significantly interfere with the planned completion of a program of study, the Chief Academic Officer may, in his/her sole discretion, dismiss a student from the program and issue the appropriate refunds as may be required.

Grades and Standards for Student Achievement - Satisfactory Progress

Grades are awarded on a traditional A,B,C... F system. The minimum passing grade is a C. The minimum allowable grade point average to maintain satisfactory progress is a C.

In calculating a student's grade point average, the following policy applies:

A	-	100-94%	Excellent
B	-	93-87%	Above Average
C	-	86-80%	Average
D	-	79-75%	Below Average
F	-	74 & Below	Failing

If the student has not completed the coursework and earned a grade at the end of the course, the instructor may issue one of the following grades.

I Incomplete If the course has not been completed, the instructor may grant an I on a two-month extension of the term, at no additional tuition cost, when the student is making satisfactory progress and the instructor believes that an extension of time will permit satisfactory completion. At the end of this period, a final grade must be recorded.

W Withdraw The student may withdraw from any course before the end of the term. At the end of the term, the instructor may withdraw the student from the course and issue a W when the instructor believes the student's progress is insufficient to warrant an extension. A student who withdraws or is administratively withdrawn must retake the course and is responsible for a new tuition payment for that course of study.

Academic Probation and Dismissal Policies

The Chief Academic Officer may place a student on academic probation if the student is not making satisfactory academic progress as per this institution's published policy. The student's grade point average will be monitored at the end of each enrollment period as the grades are posted. Should the student's GPA fall below that required for graduation, a student may be placed on academic probation. This will result in a formal advisory, which will be sent to the student by mail, explaining the reason for the probation. If the student wishes to appeal the formal advisory, the student is to submit a written request for an administrative academic review to the school main campus:

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After the completion of the currently enrolled term, the student will have two additional terms to bring his or her grade point average up to or exceeding the minimum standard of the institution. Thereafter, the student's failure to achieve satisfactory academic progress may result in dismissal from the program. The Chief Academic Officer will offer assistance in locating a suitable tutor, should such service be requested by the student. Any student seeking a tutor is financially responsible for the cost of all such tutoring.

Policies and Procedures Regarding Financial Aid (Title IV)

The school does not participate in either State or Federal financial aid programs, nor does it provide financial aid directly to its students. A student enrolled in an unaccredited institution is not eligible for federal financial aid programs.

If a student obtains a loan to pay for an educational program, the student will have to repay the full amount of the loan plus interest, less the amount of any refund, and that, if the student has received federal student financial aid funds, the student is entitled to a refund of the money not paid from federal student financial aid program funds.

Loan Repayment

If a student obtains a loan to pay for an educational program, the student will have the responsibility to repay the full amount of the loan plus interest, less the amount of any refund, and that, if the student has received federal student financial aid funds, the student is entitled to a refund of the moneys not paid from federal student financial aid program funds.

Professions – Requirements for Eligibility for Licensure

Each Board of Barbering and Cosmetology program offered requires the completion of a Board approved course of instruction and achievement of a passing grade on a Board of Barbering and Cosmetology administered exam.

Student's Right to Cancel

Direct Instruction:

The student has the right to cancel the enrollment agreement and obtain a refund of charges paid through attendance at the first class session, or the seventh day after enrollment, whichever is later. The institution shall refund 100 percent of the amount paid for institutional charges, less a reasonable deposit or application fee not to exceed two hundred fifty dollars (\$250).

A notice of cancellation shall be in writing, and a withdrawal may be effectuated by the student's written notice to the school administrative office, 4625 Convoy Street, Suite A San Diego, CA 92111 or by the student's conduct, including, but not necessarily limited to, a student's lack of attendance.

The institution shall issue a refund for unearned institutional charges if the student cancels an enrollment agreement or withdraws during a period of attendance. The refund policy for students who have completed 60 percent or less of the period of attendance shall be a pro rata refund. The institution shall pay or credit refunds within 45 days of a student's cancellation or withdrawal.

If the student has received federal student financial aid funds, the student is entitled to a refund of moneys not paid from federal student financial aid program funds.

Refund Policy

A pro rata refund pursuant to section 94910(c) or 94920(d) or 94927 of the code shall be no less than the total amount owed by the student for the portion of the educational program provided subtracted from the amount paid by the student calculated as follows:

The amount owed equals the daily charge for the program (total institutional charge, divided by the number of days or hours in the program), multiplied by the number of days student attended, or was scheduled to attend, prior to withdrawal.

No refunds are due once the student has received 60% of the clock hours of instruction in any given period of attendance. For purposes of determining a refund, a student shall be considered to have withdrawn from an educational program when he or she withdraws or is deemed withdrawn in accordance with the withdrawal policy stated in this institution's catalog.

If an institution has collected money from a student for transmittal on the student's behalf to a third party for a bond, library usage, or fees for a license, application, or examination and the institution has not paid the money to the third party at the time of the student's withdrawal or cancellation, the institution shall refund the money to the student within 45 days of the student's withdrawal or cancellation.

If the student has received federal student financial aid funds, the student is entitled to a refund of moneys not paid from federal student financial aid program funds.

This institution shall refund any credit balance on the student's account within 45 days after the date of the student's completion of, or withdrawal from, the educational program in which the student was enrolled.

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Program Name – Cosmetology

Program Length in Hours 1,600

Description of Program A 1600-hour course which includes the study and practice of all aspects of the beautification and care of the hair, skin and nails. The course provides for both classroom instruction and supervised practice of job related skills such as hairdressing, hair cutting, coloring, manicuring and skin care services. The program also includes the study of relative subjects such as, bacteriology, anatomy, chemistry, health, etc.

Requirements for Completion

Students shall complete the minimum required number of theory hours and practical operations as specified by the State of California, with a final evaluation score for practical and written test of 75% or better. In addition to the state's requirements, students at must also complete the following course work: To complete this program a student must attend a minimum of 100% of the scheduled hours of instruction, and pass an instructor monitored practical exam demonstrating competence in the practice of all aspects of the beautification and care of the hair, skin and nails

1. Complete all assignments from the standard theory and practical workbooks.
2. View videos from required viewing video list.
3. Prepare a photo portfolio of your finished work. (Minimum of 15 photos.)
4. Prepare an organized notebook with subject headings and procedure sheets.
5. Complete a typed functional resume and cover letter (class given for creating a resume.) Upon satisfactory completion of 1600 hours, the State requirements, and the Course Work listed above, the student shall receive American Beauty Institute certified diploma.

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