



**NORTH CAROLINA COMMUNITY COLLEGE SYSTEM**

*Mr. Peter Hans*

*President*

April 24, 2020

**MEMORANDUM**

TO: Presidents  
Chief Academic Officers

FROM: Mr. Peter Hans, President

SUBJECT: State Board Action on April 17, 2020  
New Curriculum Standard

On April 17, 2020, the State Board of Community Colleges approved the following new Curriculum Standard:

**Natural Hair Care (Certificate) (C55170)**

A new curriculum standard is attached for your convenience. You may view all curriculum standards by visiting the Academic Programs website at:

<https://www.nccommunitycolleges.edu/academic-programs/curriculum-standards>

If you have any questions concerning the April State Board action item listed above, please contact Dr. Lisa Eads at [eadsl@nccommunitycolleges.edu](mailto:eadsl@nccommunitycolleges.edu).

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# CURRICULUM STANDARD

*Effective Term*  
Fall 2020  
[2020\*03]

Curriculum Program Title	<b>Natural Hair Care (Certificate)</b>	Program Code	<b>C55170</b>
Concentration	<b>(not applicable)</b>	CIP Code	<b>12.0407</b>

## ***Curriculum Description***

This curriculum is designed to provide instruction and simulated salon experiences in natural hair care training to those persons interested in becoming a licensed natural hair care specialist.

This course content includes sanitation, bacteriology, disinfection, first aid, shampooing, draping, anatomy, disorders of the hair and scalp and client consultation. Advanced students apply the following natural techniques: twisting, wrapping, extending, locking, blow drying and thermal iron. Natural hair care students must complete required hours in an approved school before applying to the State Board of Cosmetic Arts for examination.

Graduates should be prepared with the skills and knowledge to complete testing requirements of the NC State Board of Cosmetic Arts and receive licensure to provide natural hair care services.

## ***Curriculum Requirements\****

***[for associate degree, diploma, and certificate programs in accordance with 1D SBCCC 400.10]***

- I. **General Education.** Degree programs must contain a minimum of 15 semester hours including at least one course from each of the following areas: humanities/fine arts, social/behavioral sciences, and natural sciences/mathematics. Degree programs must contain a minimum of 6 semester hours of communications. Diploma programs must contain a minimum of 6 semester hours of general education; 3 semester hours must be in communications. General education is optional in certificate programs.
- II. **Major Hours.** AAS, diploma, and certificate programs must include courses which offer specific job knowledge and skills. Work-based learning may be included in associate in applied science degrees up to a maximum of 8 semester hours of credit; in diploma programs up to a maximum of 4 semester hours of credit; and in certificate programs up to a maximum of 2 semester hours of credit. *(See second page for additional information.)*
- III. **Other Required Hours.** A college may include courses to meet graduation or local employer requirements in a certificate, diploma, or associate in applied science program. These curriculum courses shall be selected from the Combined Course Library and must be approved by the System Office prior to implementation. Restricted, unique, or free elective courses may not be included as other required hours.

	<b>AAS</b>	<b>Diploma</b>	<b>Certificate</b>
Minimum General Education Hours	15	6	0
Minimum Major Hours	49	30	12
Other Required Hours	0-7	0-4	0-1
<b>Total Semester Hours Credit (SHC)</b>	<b>64-76</b>	<b>36-48</b>	<b>12-18</b>

\*Within the degree program, the institution shall include opportunities for the achievement of competence in reading, writing, oral communication, fundamental mathematical skills, and basic use of computers.

## **Major Hours**

- A. Core.** The subject/course core is comprised of subject areas and/or specific courses which are required for each curriculum program. A diploma program offered under an approved AAS program standard or a certificate which is the highest credential level awarded under an approved AAS program standard must include a minimum of 12 semester hours credit derived from the subject/course core of the AAS program.
- B. Concentration** *(if applicable)*. A concentration of study must include a minimum of 12 semester hours credit from required subjects and/or courses. The majority of the course credit hours are unique to the concentration. The required subjects and/or courses that make up the concentration of study are in addition to the required subject/course core.
- C. Other Major Hours.** Other major hours must be selected from prefixes listed on the curriculum standard. A maximum of 9 semester hours of credit may be selected from any prefix listed, with the exception of prefixes listed in the core or concentration. Work-based learning may be included in associate in applied science degrees up to a maximum of 8 semester hours of credit; in diploma programs up to a maximum of 4 semester hours of credit; and in certificate programs up to a maximum of 2 semester hours of credit.

### **Natural Hair Care (Certificate) C55170**

	<b>AAS</b>	<b>Diploma</b>	<b>Certificate</b>
<b>Minimum Major Hours Required</b>	<b>49 SHC</b>	<b>30 SHC</b>	<b>12 SHC</b>
<b>A. CORE</b>  <b>Required Courses:</b> COS 127 Natural Hair Care I 6 SHC COS 228 Natural Hair Care II 6 SHC  <b>Required Subject Areas:</b> None			<b>12 SHC</b>
<b>B. CONCENTRATION</b> <i>(Not applicable)</i>			
<b>C. OTHER MAJOR HOURS</b> <i>To be selected from the following prefixes:</i>  <i>Up to three semester hour credits may be selected from the following prefixes: ARA, ASL, CHI, FRE, GER, IRI, ITA, JPN, LAT, POR, RUS and SPA.</i>			

## **Proposed Natural Hair Care (COS) Courses**

*Effective Term – Fall 2020 [2020\*03]*

### **Core Courses**

#### **COS 127 Natural Hair Care I**

Class 4 Lab 6 Clinical 0 Work 0 Credit 6

This course covers techniques of Natural Hair Care. Topics include disinfection, shampooing, blow-drying, anatomy, disorders of the hair and scalp, product knowledge, and other related topics. Upon completion, students should be able to safely and competently perform Natural Hair Care Services.

#### **COS 228 Natural Hair Care II**

Class 4 Lab 6 Clinical 0 Work 0 Credit 6

Prerequisite: COS 127 Natural Hair Care I

This course covers advanced techniques of Natural Hair Care. Topics include twisting, extending, locking, and thermal ironing the natural hair. Emphasis is placed on development of manipulative skills. Upon completion, students should be able to understand Natural Hair Care concepts and meet program requirements.