

Beyoncé Cosmetology Center

The Beyoncé Cosmetology Center, part of the Phoenix House Career Academy, offers a seven-month cosmetology training program for adult men and women. Located in the historic DUMBO neighborhood in Brooklyn, the Phoenix House Career Academy is a residential substance abuse treatment program that offers several fully accredited vocational training programs on site. This co-located treatment and vocational program has created a thriving recovery community that empowers and supports students as they work toward their professional and personal goals.



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Cosmetology Training Program

The cosmetology program is designed to teach students the theory and practical skills required to meet the NYS Cosmetology Licensure Exam. Over a seven-month period, the course covers anatomy and physiology; hair analysis; hair and scalp disorders and diseases; cosmetology chemistry; shampoos; rinses; conditioners and treatments; hair cutting, shaping, styling, chemical restructuring, coloring, and lightening. The course also includes a module on nail care, skin care, and makeup skills.

After completing a minimum of 500 class-hours and a series of proficiency tests working on mannequins, students are eligible to work with real clients. The Beyoncé Cosmetology Center will offer complimentary haircuts to a wide range of community partners, enabling its more advanced students to refine and practice their skills.

Additional Services Provided to Beyoncé Cosmetology Center Students

- Monthly vocational counseling with a dedicated vocational counselor
- Soft-skills training in customer service, conflict resolution, timeliness, attention to detail, and flexibility
- Education in basic computer skills
- Job readiness support including help with resume preparation, interview skills practice, acquiring appropriate interview and work attire, and pre- and post-interview coaching
- Job placement assistance
- Pre- and post-employment peer support groups

Eligibility Requirements

All Phoenix House clients over the age of 18 are eligible to enroll. Class capacity is 39 students with NYS-licensed cosmetology instructors who will oversee the curricula.

Partners

Our partners in this effort are the Vocational and Educational Services for Individuals with Disabilities (VESID), a division of the NYS Department of Education, and the Bureau of Proprietary Schools (BPSS).