

# What You Can Do With A Major In ...

## Cosmetology

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**Career Opportunities:** The Cosmetology program at CSM is designed to give students the finest training and experience available, and to prepare them for qualification to take the California State Board of Barbering and Cosmetology examination for licensure as a cosmetologist. Through the expertise of a talented faculty and exposure to professional cosmetologists and salon owners, students can learn hair design, hair coloring, hair analysis, skin care, nail care, and aesthetic enhancement of the body. Licensed cosmetologists also have the freedom to work either full or part-time, and employment opportunities are available without regard to gender or age. The employment outlook for cosmetologist is good, with positions presently outnumbering applicants.

**Typical Job Titles:** Barbers, Cosmetologists, Funeral Directors and Embalmers, Small Business Owners

**Places of Employment:** Full Service and Specialty Salons, Funeral Homes, Spas and Resorts

**Sample Job Salary:** Hairdresser

Annual Wages for 2013	Low (25th percentile)	Median (50th percentile)	High (75th percentile)
California	\$19,133	\$23,025	\$30,818
San Francisco Bay Area	\$23,950	\$30,729	\$46,584

Source: EDD/LMID Occupational Employment Statistics Survey, 2013 Wages do not reflect self-employment.

The San Francisco Bay Area includes Marin, San Francisco, and San Mateo counties.

Estimated Employment and Projected Growth Hairdressers, Hairstylists, and Cosmetologists					
Geographic Area (Estimated Year-Projected Year)	Estimated Employment	Projected Employment	Numeric Change	Percent Change	Additional Openings Due to Net Replacements
California (2010-2020)	41,400	49,300	7,900	19.1	7,900
San Francisco Bay Area (2010-2020)	2,070	2,740	670	32.4	400

Source: EDD/LMID Projections of Employment by Occupation

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Students should meet with a CSM Academic Counselor once a semester to update their Student Education Plan (SEP) and to ensure that they are on track to meet educational goals in a timely manner. For further Career counseling assistance in the selection of a major, contact the Counseling Department at 650-574-6400, or come in person to Building 10, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, Room 340, and ask for Career Counseling.