People with careers in Personal Care Services assist individuals with their personal appearance, including shampooing, cutting, coloring and styling hair; giving manicures, pedicures, and scalp and facial treatments; providing makeup analysis; cleaning and styling wigs and hairpieces; and providing personal fitness training.

Major Courses

Students must take THREE pathway concentration courses and ONE additional pathway elective course.

Pathway Concentration Courses (3):
- Chemical Hair Processing*
- Cosmetology Practicum
- Salon Management
- Salon Services Core I
- Salon Services Core II

Pathway Elective Courses (1):
- Apprenticeship/Internship
- Entrepreneurship: Building a Business (formerly Entrepreneurship)
- Family Services
- Foundations of Family & Consumer Science
- Introduction to Healthcare Science
- Other Pathway Concentration Course

Other Recommended Courses

- Exercise & Weight Control
- Human Anatomy & Physiology
- Marketing Principles
- Math Money Management
- Modern Language
- Psychology

Post-Secondary Degrees, Diplomas & Certificates

Technical Colleges

- Cosmetology
- Nail Care Technology
- Small Business Management
- Barber
- Esthetician
- Massage Therapist

Employees in Personal Care Services hold over one million jobs. Through the year 2010, employment of personal appearance workers is projected to grow about as fast as the average for all occupations. Numerous employment opportunities for Personal Care Services workers will arise from the need to replace workers who transfer to other occupations, retire, or leave the labor force for other reasons.

* Pre-requisites noted in course descriptions.