

# MINI GUIDE

**Hairdressing & Beauty**

**Take your first step.**





## Take your passion to the next level and build your career in an exciting industry with endless possibilities.

Follow your dreams and begin your career in Hair and Beauty at Dumfries and Galloway College. Learn the skills you need to exercise your creativity and build a long-lasting career in an ever-expanding sector.

Discover industry secrets and gain the hands-on experience to kick start a career in an industry designed to make others feel good and boost confidence

**Start your journey today.**

**Our MISSION is to support the individual, social and economic development of the people, communities and businesses of Dumfries and Galloway by providing inclusive, accessible and relevant vocational and other learning opportunities in a positive and supportive environment.**

**Joanna Campbell** - Principal & CEO



**Gain the skills** you  
need to take you  
where you want  
to go.

Whether you  
want to:

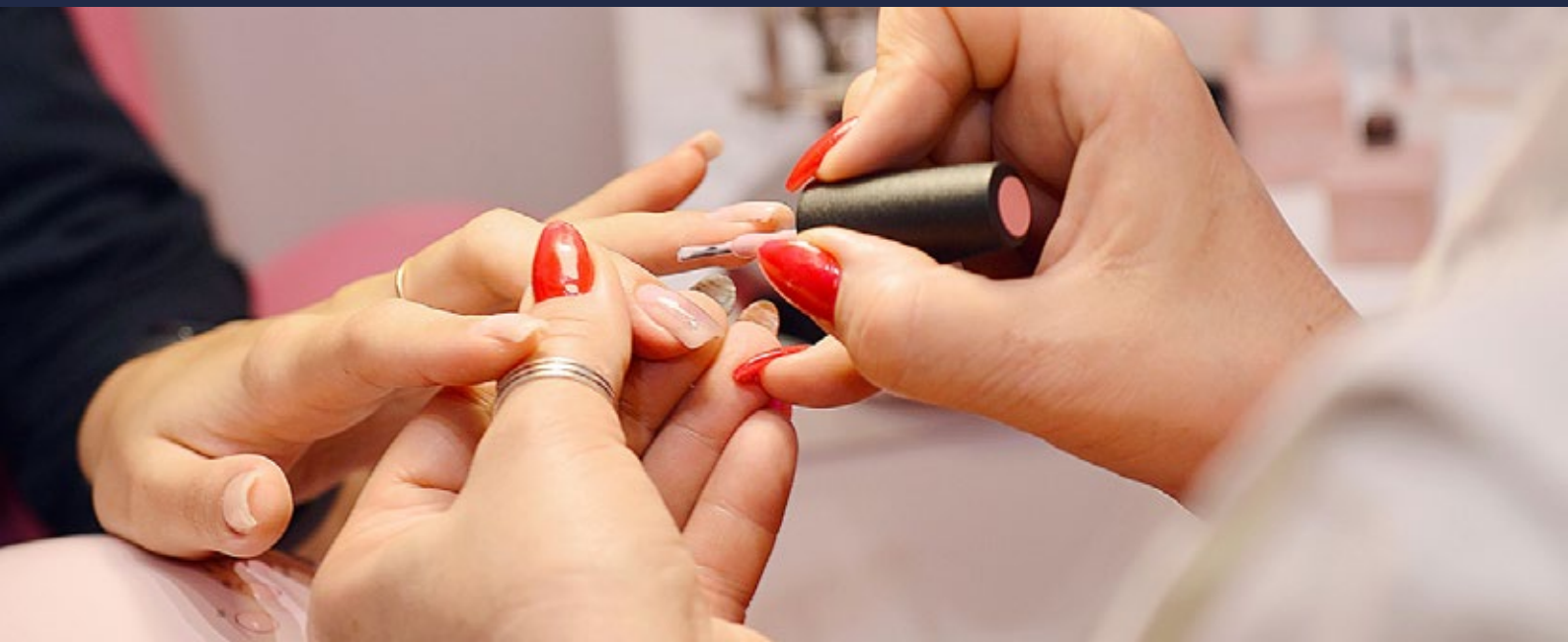
**build your future**

**change your career**

**learn something new**



We will provide you with the **tools to excel** with a **real skill-based route** into the **workplace** or a **positive destination** onto **further education**.



# Ways you can study with DGC ↓



## College Academy

Start your journey from school and you can shorten your education journey and potentially start full-time employment sooner in your chosen career pathway.



## Study options to suit everyone

From full-time, part-time or over just a few days, choose your course and way to study.



## Study locally

helping you save on associated study costs such as travel, accomodation and more.



## Earn qualifications

at every stage of study, building your path to success.



## Access routes

to university and further your options with support at every step.



# College services and support ↓

As a student you have a number of services and facilities available to support and help you throughout your course at our campuses\*



**Library resources**



**Student support**



**Learning zones**



**Coffee and snack areas**



**Shop and canteen**



**Gym**



**Training workshops**



**Training Restaurant**



**Green Energy Centre & STEM Hub**



**Digital Care Hub**

\* Please note: gym, canteen, shop, green energy centre and digital care hub are exclusive to Dumfries campus.



**Stranraer Campus**



**Dumfries Campus**

From **student advisors** to **funding teams**, our aim is to provide you with a quality service so that you will have a **range of skills, support and the knowledge** required to successfully complete your course.



**For further info on all our student services, check out our portal**



**The beauty industry is broad, encompassing many different career paths. Embark on a course – learn new techniques and find where your skills lie. With DGC, you can get one step ahead in your career as a beautician.**

The beauty industry is one of the fastest growing sectors in the UK, being valued at an astounding 12 billion in 2022 (CTPA, Statista). Studying beauty will allow you to gain a wide range of skills such as makeup artistry techniques, holistic massage practices, waxing and shaping, eyelash and eyebrow treatments, facials, nail treatments, tanning application and so much more.

Beauty therapists boost client's confidence and create a calm environment in which customers can relax and enjoy treatments.



**Unleash your creative potential and work with various colours, braids, styles, textures and equipment to build an exciting career where no two days are the same.**

Hairdressing is continually voted as one of the happiest jobs in the world, expressing creativity and ultimately making clients feel better about themselves leads to high levels of job satisfaction. Hairdressers specialise in cutting, colouring and styling clients hair in a way that compliments their features to enhance their overall appearance

# Did you know ↓

In this evergrowing sector there is a wealth of jobs to expand your creativity, passion and skills.

## Study with us to enjoy:



### Not location specific

With a career in hair and beauty, you have the freedom of choosing where you want to work. Whether you want to set up a local business or if international travel is your passion, there is endless possibilities. As skills in these industries are extremely transferable, you have the freedom to pursue your passion anywhere in the world.



### Work in a people focussed sector

The hair and beauty sector is very client focused and social. These industries will allow you to build meaningful relationships with a wide range of people and enjoy a sociable setting everyday at work.



### Job security

Ultimately people will always want and need both hair and beauty treatments so these industries can provide substantial job security compared to other sectors. In addition, there is also a lot of opportunity to specialise and focus on specific elements within these industries.



### Opportunity to be your own boss

Whether you want to work 9-5 in a salon with other beauticians or you want to freelance and work around your lifestyle needs, both hairdressing and beauty give the option to do both. Have the freedom to build your own business and work around your commitments.



### Express creativity

The possibility to be inventive and creative is a luxury many do not have in a conventional job, however in both hairdressing and beauty you can express your creative flare daily.

# Where hairdressing and beauty could take you ↓

## Career Options

As 95% of our students go onto positive destinations\*, a qualification could lead to the following careers:

### Beauty Therapist

provide and perform treatments to improve and help clients' face and body. Help consumers feel more confident and attractive while creating a calming environment to work in. Beauty Therapists can have a diverse skill set or have specialised skills depending on where they work such as facial massage or spray tanning.



### Nail Technician

Improve and decorate clients' nails. Before any treatments Nail Technicians check for signs of skin or nail problems. They are able to perform manicures, pedicures, and can work with different types of applications such as gels and acrylics. Often, they are creative people who can design and draw nail art.



### Hairdresser

also known as hair stylists are skilled professionals who cut, style and colour hair. They work with customers to advise them on hairstyles for their wants and needs. Hairdressers need to keep up to date with the latest trends and are able to recommend products for different hair types.



\*Information taken from our Student Satisfaction and Leavers Destinations Survey 2022-23



The above is just a small section of the many careers available in the industry. Salaries can vary greatly, ranging from £21,000 to £30,000 + depending on what's required in the role.



## Onward Study

A qualification could lead you to some of the following possible degree options:

- Degree in Hair, Makeup and Prosthetics for Performance
- Degree in Hair & Makeup for Fashion
- Degree in Specialist Hair & Media Makeup

If you are thinking about progressing to onward study, check with your chosen university for requirements before applying with UCAS.

Each place will have specific entry criteria and availability.



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// Doing my course at college has really given me the skills I need to progress to further education and I loved getting to experience new techniques in the salons, in a real environment.

***Hair & Beauty Student***



# Get one step ahead. Choose your course ↓

We provide a first-class further and higher education, offering a large range of courses and qualifications available for students at any life stage that are delivered by teaching and support staff who genuinely care about what they do.

We have a route to suit every level and mode of study, allowing you to build your future, to change your career, or prepare for a better tomorrow, helping you get one step ahead.

If you are unsure of which course is best to apply for, or how to apply – don't forget we have a very knowledgeable and helpful Admissions team here at the college ready to help you.



**Check out all  
our courses  
here!**

➤ [admissions@dumgal.ac.uk](mailto:admissions@dumgal.ac.uk)



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// Don't wait for the right  
opportunity. **Create it.**  
George Bernard Shaw ✨ //

# Quick guide to applying ↓

## 1. Search for your course

Search our courses at [www.dumgal.ac.uk](http://www.dumgal.ac.uk) or click the link.

## 2. Apply online

Once you find the course that's right for you, hit the apply now button. Courses fill up fast, so don't delay.



Our full-time courses start in August.

Check online for start dates for other courses or study at a time that suits you with open learning.

If you need help applying, you can check out our handy 'how to apply' page [here](#)



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One step ahead



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