COS-208
CHEMICAL HAIR RELAXING

Course Description
This course is a study of the methods of chemical relaxing the basic structure of hair including product knowledge and its chemistry, infection control and safety. This course emphasizes the removal of curl from excessively curly hair by the use of chemical agents.
3 Cr (1 lect/pres, 2 lab, 0 other)

Course Focus
Student will review and demonstrate the fundamental theory and procedures of chemical relaxing.

Text and References
Salon fundamental Textbook and Study Guide
ISBN# 0-615-11288-9
2007 Edition
Chapter 12 - Chemical Texturizing
Pages 461-487

Course Goals
List of goals addressed in course. Goals directly related to the performance objectives. (*designates a CRUCIAL goal)

1. Preview chemical relaxing history
2. Perform temporary hair straightening
3. Control excessively curly hair
4. Review two chemical relaxing phases
5. List types of chemical relaxers
6. Categorize strengths of relaxers
7. Outline other relaxers
8. Explore sodium hydroxide relaxers
9. Investigate ammonium thioglycolate relaxers
10. Name active ingredients
11. Compare methods of relaxer applications
12. Discuss three methods of application
13. Complete a thorough client consultation
14. Reiterate importance of a client consultation
15. Assess texture of hair
16. Classify the texture and density hair
17. Consider analysis of hair
18. Consider application techniques
19. Discuss desired curl pattern
20. Identify over processed hair
21. Investigate natural curl patterns
22. Understand the importance of hair elasticity
23. Demonstrate hair porosity test
24. Analyze the stages of curl reduction
25. Examine the importance of hair neutralization
26. Explore product knowledge
27. Demonstrate the physical phase of the relaxer application
28. Assist in a relaxation test
29. Protect hairline skin with base cream
30. Conduct preliminary strand test
31. Interpret stand test information
32. Prescribe appropriate relaxer
33. Determine processing time
34. Follow manufactures directions
35. Use extreme caution
36. Administer smoothing of product through hair
37. Avoid sensitizing the scalp
38. Completely straighten excessively curly hair
39. Reduce excessive curl
40. Achieve desired results
41. Practice infection control and safety
42. Review curl reforming
43. Perform curl reformation process
44. Manipulate the three steps of curl reforming
45. Enhance client’s image
46. Present importance of home maintenance

**Student Contributions**

Each student will spend approximately 2.5-5 hours per week preparing for class and completing assignments to turn in weekly.

Each week students will turn in assignments as specified on Blackboard. In addition, chapter tests are to be completed as assigned. Students will also complete a final exam/project to demonstrate their knowledge of the material.

Student Attendance Policy: See student handbook within the TCL Catalog.

**Course Evaluation**

Evaluation of student derived from written assignments, hands on applications, quizzes a chapter test and the final examination.

Average 2 chapter quizzes and 1 chapter test = 25% of final grade
Average 2 written assignments = 25% of final grade
Average 2 hands on activities = 25% of final grade
Final Examination 25% of final grade

The grading scale is as follows:
90 - 100 = A
80 - 89 = B
70 - 79 = C
60 - 69 = D
Below 60 = F

Course Schedule
Class meets for 2 lecture/presentation hour and 6 lab hours per week.

Approved by: __________________________ Developed/Revised: 8/15/2012
Ken Flick, Division Dean for Business/Industrial Technology
ADA Statement
The Technical College of the Lowcountry provides access, equal opportunity and reasonable accommodation in its services, programs, activities, education and employment for individuals with disabilities. To request disability accommodation, contact the counselor for students with disabilities at (843) 525-8228 during the first ten business days of the academic term.

Academic Misconduct
There is no tolerance at TCL for academic dishonesty and misconduct. The College expects all students to conduct themselves with dignity and to maintain high standards of responsible citizenship. It is the student’s responsibility to address any questions regarding what might constitute academic misconduct to the course instructor for further clarification. The College adheres to the Student Code for the South Carolina Technical College System. Copies of the Student Code and Grievance Procedure are provided in the TCL Student Handbook, the Division Office, and the Learning Resources Center.

Attendance
The College’s statement of policy indicates that students must attend ninety percent of total class hours or they will be in violation of the attendance policy.

- Students not physically attending class during the first ten calendar days from the start of the semester must be dropped from the class for NOT ATTENDING. Reinstatement requires the signature of the division dean.
- Students taking an online/internet class must sign in and communicate with the instructor within the first ten calendar days from the start of the semester to indicate attendance in the class. Students not attending class during the first ten calendar days from the start of the semester must be dropped from the class for NOT ATTENDING. Reinstatement requires the signature of the division dean.
- In the event it becomes necessary for a student to withdraw from the course OR if a student stops attending class, it is the student’s responsibility to initiate and complete the necessary paperwork. Withdrawing from class may have consequences associated with financial aid and time to completion.
- When a student exceeds the allowed absences, the student is in violation of the attendance policy. The instructor MUST withdrawal the student with a grade of “W”, “WP”, or “WF” depending on the date the student exceeded the allowed absences and the student’s progress up to the last date of attendance

Or
Under extenuating circumstances and at the discretion of the faculty member teaching the class, allow the student to continue in the class and make-up the work. This exception must be documented at the time the allowed absences are exceeded.

- Absences are counted from the first day of class. There are no "excused" absences. All absences are counted, regardless of the reason for the absence.
- A student must take the final exam or be excused from the final exam in order to earn a non-withdrawal grade.
- A copy of TCL’s STATEMENT OF POLICY NUMBER: 3-1-307 CLASS ATTENDANCE (WITHDRAWAL) is on file in the Division Office and in the Learning Resources Center.

Hazardous Weather
In case weather conditions are so severe that operation of the College may clearly pose a hardship on students and staff traveling to the College, notification of closing will be made through the following radio and television stations: WYKZ 98.7, WGCO 98.3, WGZO 103.1, WFXH 106.1, WWWV 106.9, WLOW 107.9, WGZR 104.9, WFXH 1130 AM, WLVH 101.1, WSOK 1230 AM, WAVE 97.3, WTOC TV, WTGS TV, WJWJ TV, and WSAV TV. Students, faculty and staff are highly encouraged to opt in to the Emergency Text Message Alert System. www.tcl.edu/textalert.asp

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