Our Centre for Beauty Therapy and Hairdressing provides these industries with qualified graduates who have the practical skills, knowledge and attributes to contribute in junior or intermediate positions in the workplace.

We offer training and qualifications in beauty therapy and hairdressing, including New Zealand qualifications and the internationally recognised City and Guilds of London qualifications.

Our programmes equip graduates for work in the service industry – both locally and internationally. Our staff are highly experienced and either still work in the industry or are closely tied to it. It is these close connections that enable our students to gain invaluable work based learning and ultimately, employment.

Sustainable practices are learnt and applied, reflecting the direction that industry is taking. Social responsibility practices are embedded in the programme working with various external organisations, including not-for-profits, such as Women’s Refuge and Dress for Success.

Visits to local industry feature in our programmes, enabling our students to develop their knowledge in real industry environments. Students are also involved in many internal and external events applying their skills, knowledge and attributes in a real world context, to their trade.

Experiences are also gained by having industry experts on campus, either in class or through other on-campus events.

Our graduates work as:

- Beauty therapists
- Hairdressers
- Makeup specialists
- Nail technicians
- Salon receptionists
- Beauty and hair retail sales and services
- Beauty and hairdressing professional product sales
- Beauty and hairdressing educators