# COURSE OUTLINE: SPA NAIL TECHNICIAN

The Spa Nail Technician program is a 600-hour program combining the basic fundamentals of nail care required by the 400-hour state mandated course and an additional 200 hours of intensive studies in spa treatments that provides the students with the confidence and expertise they need to perform spa services. The program length for the Day Schedule is approximately 20 weeks and the Evening Schedule is approximately 24 weeks. Emphasis is placed on the ultimate client experience in a spa environment and qualities that top spas in the area seek when employing graduates. Along with high-quality technical training students will learn career development skills such as client consultation, business tracking systems, and marketing strategies incorporated in the Bellus Best in Business program as well as receiving Financial Literacy training. The following requirements must be met during the course of study.

## **OBJECTIVES:**

- 1. Upon completion of the program requirements, the determined graduate will be able to:
- 2. Project a sense of personal integrity and self-confidence.
- 3. Practice proper grooming, effective communications skills, and visual poise.
- 4. Reflect a strong business and professional work ethic.
- 5. Perform the basic manipulative skills required for manicuring, pedicuring, and various methods of nail enhancements.
- 6. Apply theoretical and technical knowledge to ensure sound judgments, decisions, and procedures.
- 7. Practice effective business building skills encompassing successful service delivery, product prescription, and education of the client in proper home care regimen.

To ensure continued career success, the graduate will continue to learn new and current information related to techniques, trends, fashions, and methods for career development as a Nail Technician, Manicurist, Pedicurist or related position.

# **METHODS OF INSTRUCTION SHALL INCLUDE:**

- 1. Lecture
- 2. Teaching aid
- 3. Testing; oral and written

- 4. Demonstration
- Videos
- 6. Student participation/practice
- 7. Online Theory using hardware and software to access content

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Pursuant to B&P 7362.5(c) the curriculum for a cosmetology course shall, at a minimum, include technical and practical instruction in the following areas:	MINIMUM Hours	MINIMUM PROCEDURES
Health and Safety: Including instruction on hazardous substances, chemical safety, safety data sheets, protection from hazardous chemicals, preventing chemical injuries, health and safety laws and regulations, and preventing communicable diseases.	100	
Board Approved Health & Safety Course (B&P 7389(a)): Including instruction on hazardous substances, basic labor laws, and physical and sexual assault awareness.		
Disinfection and Sanitation: Including instruction on disinfection procedures to protect the health and safety of consumers as well as the technician and proper disinfection procedures for equipment used in establishments.	100	10
Manicure and Pedicure: Including instruction on water and oil manicures, hand and arm massage, foot and ankle massage, nail analysis, and artificial nail services, including, but not limited to, acrylic, liquid and powder brush-ons, dip, tips, wraps, and repairs.	150	280
Additional Instruction and Training: Includes, but is not limited to: Spa treatment studies, business and communications skills, including professional ethics, salesmanship, decorum, record keeping and client service records; Review, practice and testing	250	80

Once the minimum required hours have been met, it is up to the school to determine what subject(s) they will allocate additional hours to meet the 600-hour requirement for the course.

#### **GRADING POLICY:**

The school maintains complete records on each student or graduate for reference, as required by the State. All Students receive a complete theory and practical test after each section. Individual tutoring, if needed, is available in preparation for state examination. Each student is graded on their theory and practical work, attendance, appearance, and attitude. The grading used is as follows:

 93 – 100
 EXCELLENT

 85 – 92
 VERY GOOD

 75 – 84
 SATISFACTORY

 74 and BELOW
 UNSATISFACTORY

Written progress reports are maintained by the Academy. Students receive progress reports that must be signed and kept in their file at least two (2) times during their program Informal progress reports are distributed monthly and are available on the Bellus App so students can keep track of their progress. Additional progress reports may be issued to students as requested or on an as needed basis determined by the instructor.

## **OCCUPATIONAL TITLES:**

Licensed graduates enter the employment field as manicurists, pedicurists, nail technicians, or nail artists.

## **CLASS AVAILABILITY:**

Classes are conducted, in residency, Monday through Friday from 9:00 am to 3:30 pm for day students and Monday through Friday from 5:00 pm to 10:00 pm for night students. Please see the Class Start Calendar in the Catalog for Start dates.

## **REQUIRED TEXTS AND ACCESS:**

Hardware and software to access Pivot Point LAB digital textbook Salon Fundamentals for Nails and workbook; included in the kit cost.

#### LANGUAGE:

The course is conducted in the English language.

# **INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIAL** is updated periodically and includes textbooks and equipment required for successful completion of the program.

When the kit, its contents, and the textbooks have been issued to the student, they become the financial and personal responsibility of that student. Kit supplies may vary due to manufacturer availability.

Note: The academy provides sufficient supplies and informational material to each student to reinforce their learning. Such materials are issued based on instructional subject areas.