

COSMETOLOGY

SUMMARY OF ESTIMATED EXPENSES

2025-2026

FULL TIME



Course Length:	14 months (1,500 Clock Hours)
Tuition & Fees Rates Effective:	9/1/2025
Tuition & Fees:	\$5,321.00 <i>*Can be covered by TN Promise & TN Reconnect if eligible</i>
Textbooks:	\$350.00
Toolkit:	\$1,100.00
Other Program Related Costs:	\$295.00
State License Fees:	\$194.00
ESTIMATED TOTAL:	\$7,260.00

IMPORTANT INFORMATION:

1. The cost of attendance includes direct and indirect costs. Direct costs are fixed expenses that are paid directly to the school (tuition and fees). Indirect costs are not paid directly to the school (books, supplies, tools, uniforms, testing fees, etc.).
2. Costs listed above for textbooks, testing fees, tools, etc. are estimated and are subject to change without notice.
3. TCAT-Athens does not participate in ANY Federal Student Loan Programs or Federal Work Study Program.
4. Tuition rates are set by the Tennessee Board of Regents. Tuition costs usually increase annually in September.
5. All account charges (tuition, fees, special academic fees, etc.) are due by the beginning of each term if not covered by financial aid.
6. TCAT-Athens reserves the right to change required textbooks due to price increases and curriculum changes.
7. TN Promise and TN Reconnect are last dollar grants/scholarships that will pay for mandatory tuition and fees after any other federal and state financial aid have been awarded. They will not pay for books, special academic fees, tools, uniforms, supplies, testing fees, etc.
8. TCAT-Athens does not carry tools, uniforms, supplies, etc. Please make arrangements to purchase these items from outside sources.

FINANCIAL AID INFORMATION:

To apply for financial aid, complete the FAFSA at <https://studentaid.gov>.

To apply for state financial aid, create a TSAC Student Account.

Enter the federal school code 005358 for both.

A FAFSA must be filed for every year financial aid is needed.

For FAFSA assistance, please contact Darlene White with the Educational Opportunity Center at (423) 435-8442 or by email at jwhit195@utk.edu.

* Denotes costs than can be covered by TN Promise and TN Reconnect.

TRIMESTER 1 (432 Clock Hours)		Estimated Costs
TUITION & FEES: <i>(due at registration if not covered by financial aid)</i>		
Tuition/Maintenance Fee*		\$1,404.00
Technology Access Fee*		\$73.00
Student Activity Fee*		\$10.00
TEXTBOOKS: <i>(estimated cost & subject to change)</i>		
Fundamentals Cosmetology Book Bundle:	9781957642574	\$350.00
101 Life Skills	9781957642444	
102 Science	9781957642451	
103 Business	9781957642468	
104 Client-Centered Design	9781957642475	
105 Sculpture	9781957642482	
106 Cut	9781957642499	
107 Hair Design	9781957642505	
108 Long Hair Design	9781957642512	
109 Wigs & Hair Additions	9781957642529	
110 Color	9781957642536	
111 Perm & Relax	9781957642543	
112 Skin	9781957642550	
113 Nails	9781957642567	
Study Guide	9781957642581	
Exam Prep	9781951862282	
TOOLS: <i>(estimated cost & subject to change)</i>		
Cosmetology Tool Kit		\$1,100.00
<i>(Students may choose to purchase the tool kit through the TCAT Bookstore or put one together on their own. Students must obtain the full list of the State required kit items and have them signed off by a Cosmetology Instructor.)</i>		
OTHER PROGRAM RELATED COSTS: <i>(estimated cost & subject to change)</i>		
Black Scrub Pants, 3 Pair <i>(not available through TCAT-Athens) (paid direct to Uniform, ETC-no school vouchers accepted)</i>		\$100.00
Black Scrub Tops, 3 Pair <i>(not available through TCAT-Athens) (paid direct to Uniform, ETC-no school vouchers accepted)</i>		\$100.00
Shoes (comfortable, professional, closed-toe with back, non-cloth) <i>(not available through TCAT-Athens)</i>		\$75.00
Notebook, pencils, pen, paper <i>(not available through TCAT-Athens)</i>		\$20.00
TRIMESTER 1 ESTIMATED COST:		\$3,232.00
TRIMESTER 2 (432 Clock Hours)		Estimated Costs
TUITION & FEES: <i>(due at registration if not covered by financial aid)</i>		
Tuition/Maintenance Fee*		\$1,404.00
Technology Access Fee*		\$73.00
Student Activity Fee*		\$10.00
TRIMESTER 2 ESTIMATED COST:		\$1,487.00
TRIMESTER 3 (432 Clock Hours)		Estimated Costs
TUITION & FEES: <i>(due at registration if not covered by financial aid)</i>		
Tuition/Maintenance Fee*		\$1,404.00
Technology Access Fee*		\$73.00
Student Activity Fee*		\$10.00
TRIMESTER 3 ESTIMATED COST:		\$1,487.00

TRIMESTER 4 (204 Clock Hours)		Estimated Costs
TUITION & FEES: <i>(due at registration if not covered by financial aid)</i>		
Tuition/Maintenance Fee*		\$777.00
Technology Access Fee*		\$73.00
Student Activity Fee*		\$10.00
State License Fees:		
Tennessee State Board of Cosmetology Theory Test		\$67.00
Tennessee State Board of Cosmetology Practical Test		\$67.00
Tennessee State Original License Fee		\$60.00
TRIMESTER 4 ESTIMATED COST:		\$1,054.00