



TCAT
ATHENS

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:	\$621.25 <i>Must be ordered by end of 1st day of class</i>
Toolkit:	\$1,071.00
Other Program Related Costs:	\$295.00
State License Fees:	\$194.00
ESTIMATED TOTAL:	\$7,502.25

ITEMS REQUIRED ON 1st DAY OF CLASS:

1 Non-synthetic mannequin (100 human hair), classroom supplies (notebook, pen, paper, etc.) (Mannequin can be purchased from Sally's, Amazon, etc.)

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>.

Completing the FAFSA automatically applies you for federal and state aid.

Enter the federal school code 005358 as your 1st school of choice.

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

For free 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>		
ALL TEXTBOOKS MUST BE ORDERED BY END OF 1st DAY OF CLASS		
	ISBN	
Fundamentals Cosmetology Book Bundle:	9781957642574	\$226.50
101 Life Skills	9781957642444	<i>included w/bundle</i>
102 Science	9781957642451	<i>included w/bundle</i>
103 Business	9781957642468	<i>included w/bundle</i>
104 Client-Centered Design	9781957642475	<i>included w/bundle</i>
105 Sculpture	9781957642482	<i>included w/bundle</i>
106 Cut	9781957642499	<i>included w/bundle</i>
107 Hair Design	9781957642505	<i>included w/bundle</i>
108 Long Hair Design	9781957642512	<i>included w/bundle</i>
109 Wigs & Hair Additions	9781957642529	<i>included w/bundle</i>
110 Color	9781957642536	<i>included w/bundle</i>
111 Perm & Relax	9781957642543	<i>included w/bundle</i>
112 Skin	9781957642550	<i>included w/bundle</i>
113 Nails	9781957642567	<i>included w/bundle</i>
Study Guide	9781957642581	\$135.75
Exam Prep	9781951862282	\$80.00
EDU-C Cosmetology Digital 2-Year Set		\$179.00
TOOLS:		
Cosmetology Tool Kit <i>(estimated cost & subject to change)</i> (NOT SUPPLIED BY THE SCHOOL)		\$1,071.00
<i>Students may purchase the kit through the school's online bookstore or create their own kits from the attached list.</i>		
<i>The Cosmetology Instructor must check off your kit items for compliance. All consumables must be replenished when depleted.</i>		
<i>Students are required by Tennessee State Cosmetology Board to have their own Instructor approved complete kit by the date required by their instructor. <u>COSMETOLOGY TOOL KITS ARE NOT SUPPLIED BY THE SCHOOL.</u></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:		\$3,474.25
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: *(due at registration if not covered by financial aid)*

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: *(due at registration if not covered by financial aid)*

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

COSMETOLOGY KIT LIST

1. Students may purchase the kit through the school's online bookstore or compile their own kits from this list.
2. Cosmetology Kit supplies are NOT SUPPLIED BY THE SCHOOL.
3. The Cosmetology Instructor must check off on your kit items for compliance.
4. Any consumables (examples: cotton, alcohol, gloves, etc.) must be replenished when depleted.
5. Kit items can be purchased from Sally's, Wal-Mart, Amazon, etc.

Item Description	Quantity	Cost	Estimated Total Cost
Celebrity Debra	2	\$56.00	\$112.00
Celebrity Sam II Blonde	1	\$84.00	\$84.00
Celebrity Jared or Dylan, Bearded	1	\$70.00	\$70.00
7 Piece Ceramic Brush Set	1	\$25.00	\$25.00
Styling Comb (dozen)	1	\$8.00	\$8.00
Rattail Comb (dozen)	1	\$8.00	\$8.00
Dual Purpose Comb	1	\$5.00	\$5.00
Extra-Large Rake Comb	1	\$4.00	\$4.00
Shear & Razor Kit	1	\$30.00	\$30.00
Double Prong Curl Clips (box of 100)	1	\$10.00	\$10.00
Butterfly Clips (dozen)	1	\$7.00	\$7.00
Duckbill Clips dozen)	1	\$7.00	\$7.00
Orangewood Sticks	1	\$4.00	\$4.00
6-1/2" 120/240 Grit Files (8 count)	1	\$5.00	\$5.00

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Cosmetology Kit List continued

Item Description	Quantity	Cost	Estimated Total Cost
Manicure Bristle Brush	1	\$5.00	\$5.00
Extra Deep Manicure Bowl	1	\$10.00	\$10.00
Chemical Cape	1	\$10.00	\$10.00
Microfiber Styling Cape	2	\$3.00	\$6.00
Latex Free Gloves	1	\$8.00	\$8.00
Processing Caps (30 count)	1	\$6.00	\$6.00
Celebrity Manicure Hand (or at least 2 fingers)	1	\$25.00	\$25.00
Manicure Kit w/Cuticle Nippers, Glass File, Cuticle Pusher, Tweezers)	1	\$10.00	\$10.00
E-Z Flow Cold Wave Rods (white) (dozen)	1	\$4.00	\$4.00
Tint Bowl	2	\$2.50	\$5.00
3 Piece Translucent Dye Brush Set	1	\$7.00	\$7.00
Plastic Sterilizing Tray	1	\$9.00	\$9.00
Hair Color Bottle (10 ounce)	1	\$5.00	\$5.00
Squeeze Bottle (8 ounce)	1	\$5.00	\$5.00
3 Piece Spray Bottle (8 ounce)	1	\$8.00	\$8.00
Applicator Bottle w/Scales (4 ounce)	1	\$5.00	\$5.00
9-1/4" Foiling Comb	1	\$5.00	\$5.00
1" Nano Titanium Spring Curling Iron	1	\$25.00	\$25.00
Titanium Midsize Dryer	1	\$30.00	\$30.00
1" Titanium Flat Iron	1	\$40.00	\$40.00
Odorless Acrylic Kit	1	\$40.00	\$40.00
Clipper/Trimmer Combo	1	\$60.00	\$60.00
Eyelash Extension Kit	1	\$35.00	\$35.00
Ivory Deluxe Microfiber Headband	1	\$4.00	\$4.00
12 Pack Assorted Spatulas	1	\$5.00	\$5.00
Skincare Kit (must include cleanser, toner, massage cream, moisturizer)	1	\$23.00	\$23.00
Cosmetic Makeup Kit	1	\$20.00	\$20.00
7-Piece Cosmetic Brush Set	1	\$15.00	\$15.00
Nylon Makeup Cape	1	\$4.00	\$4.00
Flexible Mixing Bowls	1	\$7.00	\$7.00
Fantasea Cotton Coil (40 ft)	1	\$6.00	\$6.00
Polish Kit (base, red, top)	1	\$3.00	\$3.00
Sterilizing Jar with Lid	1	\$8.00	\$8.00
Alcohol	1	\$2.00	\$2.00
Damping Dishes	2	\$1.50	\$3.00
Large Clear Tote with Lid	1	\$20.00	\$20.00
Large Gift Bag	2	\$1.25	\$2.50
Small Gift Bag	2	\$1.25	\$2.50
Small Trash Bags	1	\$2.00	\$2.00
Gallon Ziplock Bags	1	\$2.00	\$2.00
Large Case/Bag with Wheels (large enough to carry kit contents)	1	\$200.00	\$200.00

COSMETOLOGY KIT ESTIMATED COST: \$1,071.00