

Esthetician & Instructor

Definition

Estheticians are professionals who specialize in cosmetic skin treatments which include facials, light chemical peels, microdermabrasion, body treatments, and waxing.

What LB 343 does

This legislation will reduce the program requirements to be only 600 hours instead of also requiring an additional 600 credits. It will update the language for physical schools located within the state by removing the square footage requirements and the student enrollment status language from the statutes. It also eliminates the requirement to register as a guest artist and clarifies guest lecturers are able to visit schools and are not required to receive additional licensure through the Department. For instructors, it allows experience in lieu of additional education.

State Specific Information

In all states, other than Connecticut, estheticians are required to pass an examination and become licensed through their state's Board of Cosmetology. Half of states require students to complete an esthetics program consisting of 600 practice hours, while 17 states require more hours. Some states require as few as 250 hours (Oregon) while others require as many as 1,600 hours (California).

State	Training	Instructor License	Reciprocity
Nebraska	600 hrs. & 600 credits; written exam	300 hrs. of training; pass licensure exam with 75%	Completed 2100 hrs. and state issued exam
Colorado	600 hrs.	Repealed	Hold valid license from other state; Military spouse 1 year exemption
Iowa	600 hrs.; written exam	1000 hr. training OR 2 yrs. of practice	No reciprocity with other states, case-by-case review by board
Kansas	1000 hrs.	1 yr. work experience & 300 hrs. instructor training OR 450 hrs. instructor training	No reciprocity program
Missouri	750 hrs. or 1500 hr. apprenticeship	600 hrs. instructor training OR 3 yrs. experience & 300 hrs. instructor; 75% on written & oral exams	Depends on home state training hours; all must take NIC test
South Dakota	600 hours; NIC written & practical exams; SD laws exam	1000 hrs. salon experience; 12 clock hour instructor education course; 1000 hr. instructor program; SD instructor laws exam	Education & work experience must be ≥ SD requirements
Wyoming	600 hrs.; exam	Practiced for 50 weeks w/36 hrs. per week; 1000 instructor course	Training hrs. from home state must be ≥ WY requirements

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