Our reputation is our students success
A warm welcome from our Principal
Christine Tilley

“Since founding The Yorkshire College of Beauty Therapy in 1983, both myself and my team have followed one simple guiding rule: to provide our students with the best possible training and preparation for a successful career in beauty therapy.

Over the years, we are proud to say we have done just that, with over 95% of our graduates taking up employment. Whilst mastering the theory and practical skills we teach can be challenging, our state-of-the-art facilities coupled with world class tuition provide the very best learning environment for every student on every course.

With all of our dedicated teaching staff holding Internationally recognised beauty therapy qualifications and State Registered Teaching Diplomas, your future could not be in better hands.”

Best wishes

Christine Tilley
CIBTAC, ITECHHons, CIDESCO, F.E. Teaching Dip
Career Development Loans

Is funding available for full and part time courses?

Professional and Career Development Loans are commercial bank loans that can be used to help pay for work related learning. You can borrow between £300 and £10,000 to help support the cost of up to two years of learning (or three years if it includes one year’s relevant unpaid practical work). The Government will pay the interest on the loan while you are learning and for one month afterwards. You will then need to start repaying the loan as you would any other commercial loans product. The loan can be used to pay course fees or other costs such as travel and living expenses. You can also use the loan to supplement other forms of support such as grants or bursaries.

As the Professional and Career Development Loan is a commercial loan product, you should make sure you have investigated all the funding options that may be open to you to ensure you take an informed decision about whether the Loan is right for you. For further information on financial assistance to support your learning, visit www.gov.uk/career-development-loans/overview or contact Next Step on 0800 100 900.

Our learning provider registration number is: 3081

- Any queries regarding payment of fees please contact the college for further information
- 19+ Loans available on all Level 3 and Level 4 courses.

Your foundation for a successful beauty therapy career

Attending The Yorkshire College of Beauty Therapy is your foundation for a successful career in beauty and health. Study with us and you will learn at an internationally renowned College that provides a passport to jobs worldwide.

Whilst you will receive the highest standards of instruction on all the necessary theory – the ‘brains behind the beauty’ – what really sets our students apart is their hands-on experience and in-depth technical training.

When you enrol, you can look forward to working with state-of-the-art equipment, under expert guidance and in the company of like-minded students, all in friendly, fun and stimulating surroundings.

With courses accredited at the highest levels by City &Guilds, ITEC, CIBTAC and CIDESCO, nowhere is better equipped to help you graduate with the right blend of theoretical skills, practical abilities and relevant qualifications.
Go further with a CIDESCO Diploma

As the world’s most prestigious beauty therapy qualification, a CIDESCO Diploma equips you with skills that are in demand around the globe. Established in 1957, CIDESCO has set the standards for qualifications in the beauty industry.

Here is a glimpse at some of the exciting, challenging and rewarding career paths a CIDESCO Diploma or specialist qualification from the Yorkshire College of Beauty Therapy could lead to:

**Beauty Salon**
Whether you are building up a local clientele or working in a big city salon, the skills you learn will help you provide high standards of service every day and keep up with cutting edge treatments.

**Self Employment**
Gain valuable work experience along with the business skills training you will need to start a successful venture in the future.

**Health Resorts/Spas**
The professional skills you learn could earn you a job living and working in an exotic destination spa or performing specialist treatments on a jet-set clientele.

Luxury Hotels
Many prestigious hotels now offer a salon or spa on site to pamper stressed guests. The high standards and attention to detail you will learn will prepare you to deal with demanding clients in hotels around the world.

Cruise Liners
The flexibility and business skills taught at Yorkshire College of Beauty Therapy will help you to develop a loyal customer base on every cruise as you work and see the world at the same time.

Teaching
Some of our best students are offered the opportunity to return to the College as tutors after completing their relevant teaching certificate, and have the chance to pass on their high standards and knowledge to the next generation of Beauty Therapists.

Make-up Artists
The College can give you the foundations to work as a freelance make-up artist. You could then work on magazine photo shoots, catwalk shows or specialise in weddings, make up lessons and makeovers.

Or why not undertake an apprenticeship or further training in creating special effects make up for film and TV?
A college like no other

In order to give every student the best possible chance of success, we invest in the highest quality equipment and technology. Modern facilities, excellent teaching and a wonderful location combine to make us one of the leading Beauty Therapy Colleges in the country.

Our purpose-designed complex houses practical and theory rooms that provide a clean, modern and inspiring environment. This means we can teach you the practical skills you need, using industry-standard equipment, while providing you with a first class education in the theory involved. Class sizes are kept small so you can receive the highest level of personal tuition necessary to achieve your goals.

During the academic year you will be expected to produce a dissertation on a course-related subject. Along with regular tests, homework and reports, this will be used to assess your progress. On top of this, visits to major exhibitions are organised to keep you up to date with what is going on in the beauty industry.

Outside of college, living and studying in Yeadon provides easy access to Leeds and other places of interest. With theatres, museums, local visitor attractions and countryside all on your doorstep, you will never be bored. Yorkshire really is a great place to work and play, before and after you graduate!

As a student on our full time courses, you will also receive membership to the DW Gym health club for the duration of your course. This includes access to a superb gymnasium, aerobic studios, swimming pool, sauna, jacuzzi and café bar.

Settling in

If you are an international student, or you are moving away from home to study, we will provide comfortable accommodation in a convenient location.

All our student houses are within walking distance of the college, so you will never be far from the centre of things.

You can choose self-catering accommodation which comprises of single or shared bedrooms. All our houses are fully furnished, so you do not need to worry about buying a new bed or washing machine, and all the cupboards and drawers will be full of the things you need to become a domestic goddess. The houses are also equipped with wireless broadband.

Just so you know, term times start in September, and February, with college hours from 9.00 am to 5.30pm including a one hour break for lunch. You can either pop out to eat, nip to the shops or use the on-site restaurant and lounge facilities.
Entry requirements

To ensure only the most committed students attend The Yorkshire College of Beauty Therapy, you must meet our entry criteria:

- Students wishing to enter a career in beauty therapy must have a good general education, and display a sympathetic and understanding nature.
- Applicants may come straight from school/college, but we also accept mature students.
- Students are only accepted for training at the College after a personal interview.
- Interviews for international students can be carried out via email, telephone, and webcam.
- Students not holding GCSE Grade C or above in English and Maths will have to attend additional lessons as part of the framework requirements.

Full Time Courses

Course 1 - International CIDESCO Beauty/Body/Electrolysis Diploma including Aroma Massage and Indian head massage. (L2 L3 and L4)-11 Months

‘Our full time CIDESCO course is highly recommended for all students wishing to pursue a career within the beauty industry. The course may be started in September or February. Students will attend college 5 days per week over 11 months and will achieve Level 2 and 3 qualifications with ITEC, CIBTAC AND CIDESCO and City and Guilds. The Laser Level 4 facial rejuvenation unit is also included in this course. This course is equivalent to 2 A Levels. Throughout their training, all students will gain extremely valuable salon experience in their own in-house structured training salon. All students attending this course will also have the option of attending the annual CIDESCO World Conference. This course can also be offered on a part time basis over 2 years with students attending 2/3 days per week.

Course 2 - CIBTAC, ITEC, International Beauty and Body Diploma Course. (L2 and L3)-10 Months

This full time course requires students to attend college for 4 and a half days a week for 10 months. This course leads to the CIBTAC and CIPAS qualification.

Course 3 - City & Guilds Combination Course (L2 and L3)-10 Months

This part time course will run two days a week for 10 months. You will complete the course with an NVQ Level 2 and 3 in Beauty Therapy with the opportunity to progress onto the one day a week City and Guilds Level 4 course. All training fees for this course can be covered by the 19+ learning loan which we will facilitate for you. Intakes are September and January.

Course 4 - CIBTAC, ITEC, Beauty Specialist Diploma Course (L2)-5 Months

On this full time course students are required to attend college four days a week for 5 months. This course leads to the ITEC and CIBTAC qualification.

Examination Boards

CIDESCO - Is the worlds’ most prestigious International Beauty Therapy association whose main aim is to establish and uphold the highest standards of Beauty and Spa Therapy throughout the world. CIDESCO was founded in Brussels in 1946 and is now based in Zunch, Switzerland. The CIDESCO Diploma is regarded by those in the world of Beauty Therapy as representing the highest standards of training available.

CIBTAC - Is the examining body of the British Association of Beauty Therapy. It is the largest professional organisation of therapists in the UK and was founded in 1977. The confederation has national and international recognition for producing graduates of the highest calibre.

City & Guilds - Are the leading skills development organisation, providing services to training providers, employers, and trainers across a variety of sectors to meet the needs of today’s workplace. They were founded in on November 11, 1878 by the City of London to develop a national system of technical education. City & Guilds has been operating under Royal Charter, granted by Queen Victoria, since 1900.

ITEC - Has been awarding high quality and respected industry qualifications since 1947 and currently hold examinations in many countries abroad as well as in the UK.

All examination boards carry out a thorough inspection of teaching standards and facilities before accepting any college to teach to their exacting standards. Professional external examiners conduct all practical examinations for CIBTAC and ITEC and an international overseas examiner conducts the CIDESCO examination.

19+ Loans and Career Development Loans

19+loans are available for courses; 1,2,3,5,8,9,11 and 14. https://www.gov.uk/advanced-learning-loans/overview

Career Development Loans are available for courses; 1,2,3,5,7,8 and 11. https://www.gov.uk/career-development-loans/overview

Student Visitor Visas are available for non EU residents for courses 4 and 5. https://www.gov.uk/study-visit-visa/overview

Bursary places are available for students aged 16-18 holding a grade C or above in English and Maths for courses; 3,5,7,8 and 11.

Only 1 bursary place is available per year.

Eligible students can apply for up to four 19+ loans to cover the cost of their training.
Part Time Courses

Course 5 - CIBTAC, ITEC, Body Treatments and Electrolysis Diploma Course (L3) - 5 Months
On this full time course students are required to attend college four days a week for 5 months. This course leads to the CIBTAC and ITEC qualification.

Course 6-7 - ITEC Beauty Specialist (L2)-10 Months
This is a part time course delivered on Saturday for 10 months. Intakes are in February and September. Alternatively it can be taken over two days during the week for 5 months. Intakes for this option are September and February. Beauty Specialists during the week can be offered as a bar as well and will be 3 days a week for 16-18 year olds holding a grade C in English and Maths.

Course 8 - ITEC Diploma in Massage Therapies (L3) - 5 Months
This is a part time course which is delivered 2 days a week over 5 months. Subjects covered are: Holistic Massage, Aroma Massage, Hot Stone Therapy. Along with Anatomy and Physiology Intakes are September and February.

Course 9 - ITEC Holistic Massage Course (L3) - 5 Months
This is a part time course which consists of Holistic massage, Anatomy and Physiology. It is delivered on Monday and Wednesday evenings over 5 months. Intakes are September and February.

Course 10 - ITEC Sports Massage Course (L3) - 5 Months
This part time course is delivered over two evenings a week (Monday and Wednesday) for 5 months. Intakes are September and February. Students on this course are given the opportunity to gain valuable work experience on the Bradford Bulls Rugby team at their pre-match training sessions.

Course 11 - ITEC Diploma in Theatrical, Special Effects, Hair and Media Make-Up (L3) - 10 Months
This is a part time course delivered 1-2 days a week (Wednesday/Thursday) and will be completed in 10 Months. The intake of new students are September and February. This course is a great opportunity to become a skilled specialist in the area of make-up for the fashion/theatre and entertainment industry. There is a huge demand for individuals with skills that we can offer you, especially the special effects module.

Course 12 - ITEC Facial Electrotherapy (L3) - 5 Months
This is a part time course which is delivered one day a week (Thursday) for 5 months. We have two intakes of new students which are September and February. All candidates who want to apply for this course must be Level 2 qualified.

Course 13 - Tailor Made CIDESCO Upgrade Course (11 Months)
Students applying to this course must have successfully attained L2 and L3 Beauty Qualifications. Graduates who have successfully completed these qualifications at an alternative college must hold 3 years’ experience in the industry prior to attending this course.

Course 14 - City and Guilds Level 4 Course 10 Months
This is a part time one day a week course (Monday). The course includes a selection of management and marketing units, laser and pulse light therapy treatments and advanced dermatology. The 19+ loans and Business Development Loan may also be available for this course dependent on age and eligibility.

Kit you will need for your course

Kits are available from the College, ensuring that you will have professional quality equipment. The kits vary depending on which course you choose to study, however they contain such things as uniforms, textbooks, towels and beauty tools. On the first day you will need to bring with you: nurse’s fob watch, pencil case, pens, coloured pencils, A4 white lined paper and an academic year diary.

Everything else will be issued on the first day in the form of Beauty Kits and all consumables i.e. products come at no extra charge. Whilst a locker will be provided for daytime use, the college cannot be held responsible for losses, so all equipment must be clearly named.
Learn with the best

Our tutors are amongst some of the most qualified and respected in the world. With broad backgrounds and varied careers, they are in a position to pass on a wealth of experience to students.

Janet Abbott, Senior Tutor, CIDESCO, ITEC, CIBTAC NVO II & III, City & Guilds 7407 I & II teaching Diploma
Janet began her studies at The Yorkshire College of Beauty Therapy in 2002 at the age of 39, graduating with Distinctions and was awarded “Student of the Year”.

“After running my own successful business as a therapist, I realised that I would like to pass on my knowledge and passion for the industry to the Beauty Therapists of the future. Once I completed my teaching qualification, I returned to the college and am now Senior Tutor, specialising in Body Therapy and Electrolysis.”

Alison Lindley, Beauty/Media Make Up Tutor, CIDESCO, ITEC, CIBTAC, CERT ED Teaching Diploma
Alison began her studies at the Yorkshire College of Beauty Therapy in 2005 and after graduation as top CIDESCO graduate of the year and Most Promising Therapist, Alison joined the teaching team in September 2007.

“After graduating I began working in a busy day spa, whereby I gained lots of experience carrying out a variety of treatments and in 2007 decided that I would like to teach, I have delivered ITEC and CIBTAC curriculum to Students for the past 7 years and have enjoyed every minute. I love working with the Students and seeing them flourish throughout the year, from novices to competent therapists and finally to see them graduate sending them into the industry as true professionals.”

What our students said

Sophie Connors, Former student
Sophie was our Student of the Year in 2008, and now enjoys a successful career as a Beauty Therapist aboard a Steiner Cruise Ship.

“I would not be where I am today if I had not studied at the Yorkshire College of Beauty Therapy. The mentoring I received from the experienced teachers was fantastic. I loved all aspects of the course and found the teachers very encouraging and helpful wherever I did not understand certain things – I do not think I would have achieved the exam results I did without their help.

When Steiner came to the college, I knew immediately that working on a cruise ship was the career for me! Ship life is the hardest I have ever experienced – it is exhausting but the places I have seen are amazing. I travelled around Mexico for 4 months and also saw wonderful places such as Columbia, Jamaica, Costa Rica, Miami, the Cayman Islands and the Bahamas!”

Jessica Crowe, Former student
Shortly after graduating from the Yorkshire College of Beauty Therapy as Student of the Year in 2006, Jessica moved to Dubai and has been working there as a Beauty Therapist for the last 3 years.

“I really enjoyed my time studying at the Yorkshire College of Beauty Therapy – the course gave me an excellent basis on which to build my career. I found it much easier to get a job overseas because of the internationally recognised qualifications I gained, as well as the great practical skills I had learned at the Yorkshire College of Beauty”.

Celebrating your success
To celebrate your achievements and hard work, a lavish graduation ball is held at the end of the academic year. Family and friends can attend to see you receive your diplomas. Special recognition awards are also given out including; Top CIDESCO graduate, Student of the Year, Highest Academic Achiever, Most Promising Therapist, Top CIDESCO Specialist Subject, Part Time Student of the Year, Media Make-Up Student of the Year.

These awards recognize hard work and dedication throughout the year.