The Cosmetology IFCC met in February of 2014 and voted to create a Hair Designer certificate that would satisfy the Georgia State Board of Cosmetology’s educational requirements for licensure as a Hair Designer. The Hair Designer certificate (HD21) was approved by the IFCC at the February 2014 meeting and subsequently by colleges during the probe process. It was later determined that embedding the certificate in the existing Cosmetology Diploma (CO12) would provide a more seamless process for students enrolled in the Hair Designer certificate who choose to complete the diploma program in order to satisfy the Georgia State Board of Cosmetology’s educational requirements for licensure as a Master Cosmetologist.

This probe details the program and course revisions undertaken during development of the embedded Hair Designer Certificate (HD21) and the necessary revisions to the Cosmetology Diploma (CO12) and the Shampoo Technician Certificate (ST11). Existing courses that contained hair competencies as well as skin and nail competencies required revision to separate hair competencies from skin and nail. Four existing practicum courses were impacted, and an additional practicum course focusing on skin and nail care was created. As part of the redistribution of competencies, and to facilitate flexibility in staffing and scheduling, the credit hour total for COSM 1020 – Hair Care and Treatment was increased from 2 to 3 credits. Details of the course and program changes which were approved at a March 2015 meeting of the Cosmetology IFCC are below.

Course Changes:
COSM 1020 Hair Care & Treatment – 1500 minutes were added to lab 2. The credit hour total increased from 2 to 3.

COSM 1080 Cosmetology Practicum I – The course name was changed to Physical Hair Services Practicum. The course description was revised to reflect the removal of chemical services competencies as well as skin and nail competencies. 2250 minutes removed from lab 3. The credit hour total decreased from 4 to 3.
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**COSM 1090 Cosmetology Practicum II** – The course name was changed to **Hair Services Practicum I**. The course description was revised to reflect the removal of skin, nail, and hair treatment competencies. 2250 minutes removed from lab 3. The credit hour total decreased from 4 to 3.

**COSM 1100 Cosmetology Practicum III** - The course name was changed to **Hair Services Practicum II**. The course description was revised to reflect the removal of skin, nail, and hair treatment competencies. 2250 minutes removed from lab 3. The credit hour total decreased from 4 to 3.

**COSM 1110 Cosmetology Practicum IV** - The course name was changed to **Hair Services Practicum III**. The course description was revised to reflect the removal of skin, nail, and hair treatment competencies. 2250 minutes removed from lab 3. The credit hour total decreased from 4 to 3.

**COSM 1115 Hair Services Practicum IV** – This new practicum course was added and assigned some of the competencies removed from other practicum courses. The course contains 4500 minutes of lab 3 for a total of 2 credit hours.

**COSM 1125 Skin & Nail Care Practicum** – This new practicum course was added to enable the separation of skin and nail competencies from those related to hair services. The course has 4500 minutes in lab 3 for a total of 2 credit hours.

**Program Changes:**

**Cosmetology Diploma (CO12)** – As a result of the competency redistributions necessary to create an embedded Hair Designer certificate, the overall credit hour total increases from 54 to 55. The revised version of the program is 201512.

**Hair Designer (HD21)** – This newly developed program covers all the Georgia State Board of Cosmetology’s educational requirements for licensure as a Hair Designer. The program length is 36 credits hours and appears as versions 201412 in the curriculum database.

**Shampoo Technician (SH11)** – As a result of the credit hour added to COSM 1020, the credit hour total for the program increases from 11 to 12. The revised version of the program is 201512.