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Level 3 Diploma in Fashion, Theatre and Media Hair and Make-Up Studies

Location	Stockport College
Course Type	College 16-18,Adult
Department	Hair & Media Make-up
Start Date	Tuesday 1st September 2026
Time	-
Fee	£ 2583.00 You may be eligible for support with your tuition fees - please visit the college website - funding and finance page for further information
Course Code	SFP-BY3D-1300

Course Overview

UK creative industries generate more than £100bn a year to the UK economy and employ more than 2m people. This course offers you the technical and creative grounding you will need to become part of this expanding sector. The course provides a balance between the practical and theoretical aspects of Hair and Media Make-up Studies, where you will research and discuss a range of media looks, special effects and develop the advanced skills of a make-up artist. With our expert guidance you will develop your practical skills in theatre, special effects, hair, and media make-up to a high professional industry standard. During practical lessons you will take part in a range of demonstrations, workshops, discussion, and research activities presenting and communicating your ideas through practical work and a portfolio 'look book'. Theory classes will involve developing your knowledge through discussion and answering questions in preparation for written examinations.

Course Requirements

4 GCSE's at Grade 4 or above (including maths and/or English Language).

What You Will Learn

This course will enable you to gain more advanced practical skills and knowledge in order to provide Hair, Special Effects including prosthetics and bald caps and Media Make-up to the general public and to gain employment in the Hair, Photographic and Media Make-up Industry.

There are opportunities for a Hair, Photographic and Media Make-up Artist to find employment in a variety of areas that include Hair and make-up studio, Beauty salon, Media, Production companies, TV/Movies, Theatre companies, Hotels or resorts.

Assessment

As part of this qualification you are required to produce a portfolio of evidence. A portfolio will confirm the knowledge, understanding and skills that you have learnt. It may be in electronic or paper format.

Evidence in the portfolio may take the following forms:

Observed work

Witness statements

Audio-visual media

Evidence of prior learning or attainment

Written questions

Oral questions

Assignments

Case studies

Progression

Employment

Level 2 Diploma's in Manicure, Pedicure and Waxing or Beauty Specialists.

Level 3 Extended Diploma in Make-Up (Tech)

Foundation Degrees in Fashion and editorial make-up or Media Make-up. (with the necessary UCAS points you may need to study the Extended Diploma)

Career Options

Potential employment could be found working as a professional Makeup Artist in theatres, photographic studios, print media, film, independently or in a or home-based or mobile setting. Also the potential to teach in the future.

Mandatory Units

Apply airbrush make-up to the face
Camouflage make-up
Media make-up
Fashion and Photographic Make-Up

Optional Units:

Apply make-up
Instruct on makeup application
Style and dress hair using a variety of techniques
Fantasy hair design

Contact Details

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