

Rainbow Room International

Fast Track Intensive Course Application

Thank you for your interest in training with Rainbow Room International Academy of Hair. Please read the enclosed information, complete the application form, and return pages 5-9 only to:

Rainbow Room International Academy
Fast Track Course Application
64 Howard Street
Glasgow
G1 4EE

Rainbow Room International offers three Intensive course options:

Title	Duration of Training	Price	Tick One
Level 2 SVQ	26 Weeks	£7,980	
Level 3 SVQ	26 Weeks	£7,980	
Level 2 SVQ & Level 3 SVQ	36 Weeks	£10,500	

We have four intakes per annum, in Spring, Summer, Autumn, and Winter. Hours of Training: **Monday to Wednesday, 9:00am to 5:00pm**, by agreement of Academy Directors and on basis of interviews.

Places are limited and entry is by interview only. Previous hairdressing experience is not required. The Academy will provide you with tuition, learning opportunities, and other related services, which will lead to the award of your **SQA's SVQ Award**, subject to you successfully fulfilling the requirements of your programme and modules.

The 1st interview will be an opportunity to meet the Academy Director, see the Academy, discuss the course, and ask any questions you may have. Your 2nd interview will be a half-day practical test in the Academy to assess your dexterity and aptitude.

If you have any further questions about the Academy or training, please do not hesitate to get in touch with the Academy on **0141 221 0400** or www.rainbowroominternational.com

This intensive 26–36 week course is designed for those ready to make a bold career change and follow their passion for hairdressing. Whether you're pursuing a long-held dream, looking for something fresh and creative, or simply seeking the fastest route into the industry, this course offers a hands-on, supportive path to becoming a qualified hairdresser—no matter your background or experience.

In **addition** to your SVQ Level 2 AND/OR Level 3 Training, you will:

Placed on **work experience** within a Rainbow Room International Salon to gain a greater level of understanding of the hairdressing industry.

Given access to a minimum of two **Continual Professional Development (CPD) courses** held within the Rainbow Room International Academy led by members of the company's Award Winning Artistic Team.

Hairdressing Industry

Hairdressing is a rewarding industry to work in, and continually changes in response to fashion trends and client demand by introducing new services and treatments, including increasing recent demand for specialist men's grooming services. Increasing focus on fashion and the celebrity culture continues to promote ever-changing and developing styles.

Rainbow Room International Academy

The Academy of Hair has some of the most advanced training facilities in the UK. Our trainers and Artistic Team are recognised worldwide for their dedication to the art of hairdressing and their consistent progressive approach. Academy Director, **Laura Leigh Kerr**, was recognised and named Educator of the Year at the British Hairdressing Business Awards three times consecutively in 2022, 2023 & 2024, earning her a place in the Hall of Fame in 2025. In addition to her success in the British Hairdressing Business Awards, **Laura Leigh Kerr**, was recognised and named Community Hero & Educator of the Year at the Fellowship Hair Awards in 2025.

This 7,500 square foot Academy is truly state-of-the-art. The arrangement of separate studio rooms can accommodate different classes simultaneously, assuring personal tuition in each environment. Situated in the Centre of Glasgow, the Academy is easily accessed by major bus, rail, and road networks. All our intensive trainees attend the Academy from **Monday to Wednesday**.

What are SVQs?

Scottish Vocational Qualifications (SVQs) tell you exactly what you must do in a job to do it well. They are based on national standards, which are drawn up by people from industry, commerce, and education. This means that if you have an SVQ, then you have a way of proving that you can do your job well, to national standards agreed by whatever industry or commercial sector you are in.

SVQs send powerful messages to employers
You can do your job confidently and well.
You are motivated, confident, and ambitious.
You are ready to take on responsibility.
You are committed to your work.

Funding

Rainbow Room International does not fund any part of Intensive Courses, but there may potentially be various funding opportunities available depending on your circumstances. Details of any potential funding for courses can be found on the Skills Development Scotland website or through your local council website. Although Rainbow Room International cannot advise/provide accurate up-to-date funding options.

Models, Books & Equipment

Rainbow Room International will supply you with a full equipment list and reading material list, which you will have to obtain. Further details will be provided at the interview. You will also be given the tools to help you find models to complete your training. You must have your full equipment ready to use upon the course start date.

Intensive Course SVQ Level 2, Level 3 OR Level 2 & Level 3 Award

The intensive hairdressing course for Level 2, Level 3 OR Level 2 & Level 3 is a full-time programme which covers everything from cutting, colouring, treatments to working in a salon and customer care, taking you to hairdressing success in either 26 weeks OR 36 weeks, depending on the qualification you pursue. It is the fast-track route to obtaining the nationally recognised SVQ Level 2 & SVQ Level 3. During the course, you will learn a variety of techniques in all aspects of hairdressing. This will include creative styling, dressing long hair, creative cutting, and colouring techniques.

Who Is This Course For?

Those who wish to pursue a career in hairdressing at an advanced level or who want to

manage a salon or become a lecturer in the future. This course covers all aspects of hairdressing to an advanced level.

Employment Opportunities:

Hairdressing Stylist
Progression To Further Or Higher Education
Managing A Salon
Working As A Technician For A Major Company
Working For An Airline Or On A Cruise Liner

Educational Progression

SVQ Level 3 is one of the highest practical hairdressing qualifications you can get. Upon completing the course, you will be well-positioned to work in the industry, and you will be expected to stay current by attending product demonstrations, training events, and masterclasses. You may wish to consider Assessor training and/or Teacher training as the next step in your educational development.

Duration

Level 2 OR Level 3 Qualification	Level 2 AND Level 3 Qualification
<p>Training will be provided by Rainbow Room International towards the SQA's SVQ Level 2 qualification for 26 weeks.</p> <p>Training will be provided by seminars, interactive training sessions, hands-on practical sessions, lectures, textbooks, electronic presentations, live demonstrations, outside educators, and IT technology. You will also have two weeks' work experience in one of our Rainbow Room International Salons.</p> <p>Students must reach the minimum standards required to qualify. On successful completion of the course, you will obtain SVQ Level 2 in hairdressing and the Rainbow Room International Diploma.</p>	<p>Training will be provided by Rainbow Room International towards the SQA's SVQ Level 2 & Level 3 qualification for 36 weeks.</p> <p>Training will be provided by seminars, interactive training sessions, hands-on practical sessions, lectures, textbooks, electronic presentations, live demonstrations, outside educators, and IT technology. You will also have two weeks' work experience in one of our Rainbow Room International Salons.</p> <p>Students must reach the minimum standards required to qualify. On successful completion of the course, you will obtain SVQ Level 2 & Level 3 in hairdressing and the Rainbow Room International Diploma.</p>

Level 2 SVQ Topics:

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provide Client Consultation Services • Implement And Maintain Safe, Hygienic, And Effective Working Practices • Shampoo, Condition And Treat The Hair And Scalp • Set, Style, And Dress Hair • Colour And Lighten The Hair • Cut And Clipper Hair Using Hairdressing Techniques • Braid, Twist And Thread Wrap Hair

Level 3 SVQ Topics:

- Provide Client Consultation
- Creatively Style And Dress Hair
- Creatively Cut Hair Using Combination Of Techniques
- Creatively Colour And Lighten Hair
- Hair Colour Correction Services
- Develop, Enhance And Evaluate Your Creative Hairdressing Skills
- Contribute To The Planning, Implementation, And Evaluation Of Promotional Activities

Equipment:

Having a Basic Hairdressing Kit is an essential part of your training and should contain at a minimum:

- Combs: Cutting, Barbering, Tail, Pintail & Detangle
 - Section Clips x10
- Brushes: Isinis, Round (In Various Sizes) x5, Denman, Paddle & Vent/Tunnel
 - Scissors: Cutting & Thinning
 - Razor
 - Hairdryer
 - Straightening Iron
 - Tongs
 - Clippers
 - Neck Trimmers
 - Neck Brush

Rainbow Room International can provide this kit at a cost of between £120 & £450 (depending on electrical & scissors options), or the student may provide this themselves using this as a guide.

Personal Details

Name:	
Address:	
City:	Postcode:
Contact Number:	
Email Address:	
Date Of Birth:	Gender:

Emergency Contacts:

Name:	Name:
Address:	Address:
City:	City:
Contact Number:	Contact Number:

Education:

Last School Attended:	Dates:
College/University:	Dates:
Last Course Studied (If Applicable):	
SQA/Scottish Candidate Number (If Known):	

Work Experience:

Have You Had Any Previous Hairdressing Experience?
If Yes, Please Give Details:

Course Applied For:

SQA SVQ Level 2 Only:		SQA SVQ Level 3 Only:	
SQA SVQ Level 2 & Level 3 Only:			

Emergency Contacts:

Spring:		Summer:		Autumn:		Winter:	
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Fees:

Self-Funded		Parent/Guardian		Employer		Other	
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Where Did You Hear About Our Fast Track Programme:

Friend/Colleague Referral:		Social Media:		Previous Fast Track:	
Event:		Blog or Publication:		Other:	
Social (Which Platform, e.g., Instagram/TikTok):					
Event (Which Event?):					
Blog or Publication (Which Blog/Publication):					
Other (Let Us Know):					

Personal Statement:

Please Explain Why You Are Interested In A Career In Hairdressing:

Where Did You Hear About Rainbow Room International?

What Made You Choose Rainbow Room International For Your Course?

Equal Opportunities:

Rainbow Room International is committed to a programme of action of action to promote quality and diversity in employment and training. One aim of this policy is to ensure that you and other applicants for posts are not subject to any unfair treatment on the grounds of gender reassignment, marital/civil partnership status, disability, race, religion/belief, sexual orientation, pregnancy, and maternity, age, sex, or other irrelevant factors.

Please complete this form and return it with the application form – this information will be kept confidential and will be used only for the purpose of monitoring. This form will not be used as part of the selection process or made available to any other person.

What Is Your Ethnic Group? Please Choose ONE That Describes Your Ethnic Group:	
White (Scottish, Other British, Irish, Gypsy/Traveller, Polish, Other)	
Mixed Or Multiple Ethnic Groups	
Asian (Pakistani, Pakistani Scottish/British, Indian, Indian Scottish/British, Bangladeshi, Bangladeshi Scottish/British, Chinese, Chinese Scottish/British, Other)	
African (African, African Scottish/British, Other)	
Caribbean or Black (Caribbean, Caribbean Scottish/British, Black, Black Scottish/British, Other)	
Arab (Arab, Arab Scottish/British, Other)	
Other Ethnic Group	
Prefer Not To Say	

Care Leaver

Have You Ever Been In "In Care"?			
*In care means you are or were formally looked after by the local authority, in a family home (with support from social service or a social worker) or elsewhere, for example, in foster care, residential/secure care, kinship care (with family, friends or relatives).			
Yes		No	Prefer Not To Say

Transgender

Have you ever identified as transgender?			
Yes		No	Prefer Not To Say

Sexual Orientation

Do You Consider Yourself To Be?							
Heterosexual /Straight		Gay/Lesbian		Bisexual		Other	Prefer Not To Say

Religion Or Belief Or None

Please Indicate Your Religion Or Belief From The Follow Options?							
None		Church Of Scotland		Roman Catholic		Other Christian	Muslim
Buddhist		Sikh		Jewish		Hindu	Pagan
Other		Prefer Not To Say					

Disability

We aim to provide support and/or adjust to meet your requirements. The information you give can help us to do this. If you do not want to provide this information now, please tell your employer/training provider as soon as you can.

Do You Have An Impairment, Health Condition Or Learning Difficulty? Please Tick If Any Of The Categories Below That Apply To You (Tick All That Apply):			
Yes		No	

Do You Have A Social/Communication Impairment? Please Tick All That Apply:			
Speech & Language Impairment		Asperger's Syndrome	
		Other Autistic Spectrum Disorders	
			Cognitive Impairment

Do You Have A Visual Impairment? (Tick All That Apply):			
Blind		Visual Impairment Uncorrected By Glasses	
			Visual Impairment Corrected By Glasses

Do You Have A Hearing Impairment? (Tick All That Apply):			
Deaf		Hearing Impairment Uncorrected By Hearing Aids	
			Hearing Impairment Corrected By Hearing Aids

Do You Have A Mental Health Difficulty? Please Tick All That Apply:			
Depression		Schizophrenia	
		Anxiety Disorder	
			Other (If Other List Below)

Do You Have A Specific Learning Difficulty? Please Tick All That Apply:			
Dyslexia		Dyspraxia	
		AD(H)D	
			Other (If Other List Below)

Do You Have A Physical Impairment Or Mobility Issues? Please Tick All That Apply:			
Difficulty Using Your Arms		Use Of Wheelchair	
		Use Of Crutches	
			Other (If Other List Below)

Do You Have A Specific Disability, Impairment Or Medical Condition Not Listed Above? Please List Below:

So that your employer/training provider can help you, please explain in the box below if you will need any equipment or support relating to your impairment, health condition, or learning difficulty.

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GDPR

The information provided by you on this document and obtained from other sources in the process of dealing with your employment application will be used confidentially.

We may check the information you provide us with third parties and otherwise use the information in ways relevant to your application only as permitted under current law.

If your application is successful, the document will be retained on a confidential personnel file with access restricted to only those employees who are authorised to access it in the normal course of their duties. This will normally be your immediate manager, HR manager, and payroll personnel, but may also include external auditors, government officials, or other legally entitled persons.

If your application is unsuccessful, the document will be retained for a period considered to be appropriate to the organisation to enable it to deal with any legal challenge relevant to this recruitment process.

By signing this document, you agree to the processing of your sensitive personal data (as described above) following our registration with the Data Protection Commissioner.

Declaration

I declare that the information I have provided in this application is accurate and true, and I understand that if I have provided misleading or untrue information that this may disqualify me from the interview or may result in my dismissal if appointed.

SIGNED: _____

DATE: _____

Please Continue On A Separate Sheet Of Paper If There Is Not Enough Space.