

Barbering

 Level 3

 38 credits

 Petone Campus

 Thursday/Friday

 9am–2:30pm (inc. ½ hour lunch)

Equipment

Students must wear closed-in shoes.

Travel

This is provided free, subject to students meeting MoE requirements.

Dates

Thursday 12 February - Friday 13 November 2026 (33 weeks), normal school and public holidays apply.

Application

Students must be enrolled in a secondary school in the Wellington region and be enrolled in a WTA course by their secondary school/kura.

Interview

Students may be requested to attend an interview with a family member or school representative.

Qualification

You will gain 38 credits towards NCEA Level 3.

Credits

On successful completion of this course, students will have gained 43 credits – 38 Level 3 and 5 Level 2 credits.

Assessment

Assessment is competency based against unit standard outcomes and related evidence requirements.

Assessments will follow the processes required by NZQA and relevant industry requirements.

Learning outcomes

A student successfully completing this strand will be able to:

- Describe haircut structure and perform haircuts under supervision
- Design and shape beards and moustaches
- Blow dry barber cuts
- Use barbering tools safely
- Identify and explain hair and skin characteristics
- Demonstrate safe and professional practice in the barbershop

Students will be assessed against the following criteria:

Course title		Level	Credits	Version
Barbering Knowledge Comprises of the following unit standards:		3	21	
10645	Describe the development of barbering	3	3	4
19808	Select and maintain barbering tools and equipment	3	4	3
28018	Demonstrate knowledge of removing product build-up from hair	3	4	2
33232	Apply knowledge of health and safety requirements in the salon environment	3	2	1
28845	Demonstrate safe and professional practice in the salon environment	3	3	3
31946	Demonstrate knowledge of skin and hair for barbering	3	5	1
Barbering Skills Comprises of the following unit standards:		3 2	17 5	
2886	Design and shape beards and moustaches	3	7	5
19805	Blow dry hair using barbering techniques	2	5	3
28837	Apply underpinning knowledge and skills to cut hair to a guideline	3	10	2

Further pathways:

- New Zealand Certificate in Hairdressing (Salon Support) Level 3
- New Zealand Certificate in Commercial Barbering Level 4