

How Do I Get My Barber License? Is There A Barber School Near Me? What's The Difference Between An Apprentice And A Barber Student?

If you live in the state of Georgia, you are fortunate because you have a host of options when it comes to choosing a barber school. If you are thinking about joining the barber and cosmetology field, one of the first questions that you need to ask yourself is if you would prefer to be an apprentice or go to a barber school? Whats the difference?

The core of barber training is based off of barber theory, hair cutting, shampooing, facials, scalp treatments and additional instruction. As an apprentice in Georgia, you are able to work in a barbershop under the supervision of a licensed master barber. The supervising barber would track your hours. The amount of hours needed for a Master Barber license as an apprentice in Georgia is 3000 hours. If you are looking to obtain a Barber II license, which allows you to perform most barbering services, excluding chemicals, your need to accumulate 2280 hours. Bear in mind however, that although you are able to gain on the job training, you will still be required to pass the same state board written and practical exam that those that go to school would take as well. This means that you would need to be taught the content in the Milady Barber textbook in order to pass. Many supervising Master Barbers find it extremely difficult to not only teach a student how to cut hair, but also teach them the theoretical content necessary to pass the state board exam. If you decide to go to school, you need obtain 1500 hours for the Master barber license and 1140 hours for the Barber II license. Whether you go to a private school or a technical college, you are taught how to service clients and you also receive thorough theory lessons based on the Milady Barber textbook.

If you are looking for additional resources and other options for schools or apprentice see [Shear Over Comb Consulting](#) to speak to an industry consultant.