

VENUE AND DURATION OF COURSE:

East Surrey College, Gatton Point, Redhill, RH1 2JX, 1 year, Full-time.

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS:

- Hair and Media Make-up Level 2 Diploma, Art Level 3 or an Art A-Level and GCSE grade 9-4 (A*-C) in English and Maths.
- You will be required to produce a positive reference from your tutor.
- Willingness to follow uniform guidelines and comply with college attendance and punctuality.
- Candidates will need to be able to practise at home and provide clients for assessment.
- Candidates who are pregnant or suffer from asthma will need to be risk assessed due to the use of hazardous chemicals.

WHAT QUALIFICATIONS WILL I GET?

Level 3 Diploma in Theatrical, Special Effects & Media Make-Up.

COURSE DESCRIPTION:

The Level 3 Diploma in Theatrical and Media Make-up is a tech level qualification aimed at those who wish to pursue a career as an employed and/or self-employed make-up artist, providing hair and make-up services in the media, theatre, performing arts, fashion or photographic industries.

This qualification is based on the national occupational standards for theatrical and media make-up and includes all the required elements to work effectively as a make-up artist in the media, theatre, performing arts, fashion and photographic industries.

UNITS/TOPICS COVERED:

- Media Make-up (Special Effects)
- Camouflage Make-up
- Fashion and Photographic Make-up
- Cosmetic Make-up Science
- Style and Fit Postiche (Wigs, Facial Hair and Hairpieces)
- Apply Airbrush Make-up to the Face and Body
- False Eyelash Application
- Anatomy and Physiology for Make-up Services

TYPE OF ASSESSMENT:

A portfolio of practical work, photographic evidence, exams and assignments.

EQUIPMENT NEEDED:

- Uniform – All black, smart top and trousers, black leather shoes.
- A specific kit of equipment is required – approximately £800.00.
- A specialised brush kit is required – approximately £50.00 (optional).
- Purchase of photographs for portfolio – approximately £150.00.



Please note: If you already have some of the required kit from completing a make-up course related to this subject area, some of this kit will not be needed.

WHERE CAN IT LEAD?

The next steps after this course are endless! You can progress straight into employment or enrol on a Higher or Degree Apprenticeship.

You can also develop further skills on a Higher Education course at ESC studying Make-up, Special Effects & Hair for Media and Performance (FDA) accredited by Chichester University or even an undergraduate Degree programme at an alternative university.

COURSE FEE:

If you are under 19 on 31/08/2025, tuition is free. If you are 19 or over, please consult Client Services for advice and guidance on funding and eligibility.

Please be aware that there may be additional costs for equipment and educational visits. This information will be available from the curriculum staff at interview.

WHAT TO DO NEXT:

If you have any outstanding queries, please contact our Client Services team on 01737 788444 or at clientservices@esc.ac.uk.

To apply online for this course, please visit www.esc.ac.uk.

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