Introduction
- 1-year full-time program
- Blended program with a 6-week block in January & 6-week block in June spent on campus at the Hair & Skin Research Lab, Observatory, Cape Town
- 8 months block at hosting cosmetic companies for practical hands-on experience
- Students will, preferably, be placed at companies in their home province (subject to availability).
- Collaboration with the Services Sector Education and Training Authority (SSETA) for industry placement.

Aim
To produce graduates that are ready and equipped for product formulation in personal care manufacturing companies as: product developers, cosmetic formulators, R&D chemists or as entrepreneurs in the cosmetic industry.

Modules
1. Scientific Principles of Cosmetic Formulations
2. Cosmetic Formulation Technology
3. Hair and Skin Biology for the Cosmetic Formulator
4. Cosmetic: Claims, Regulations and Ethics
5. Professional Communication and Project Management for Cosmetic Scientists

Admission requirements
To be admitted into the programme, students should have a Bachelor of Science (BSc) or equivalent qualification with Chemistry 3/Biochemistry 3 (preferable) or Chemistry 2/Biochemistry 2. Non-degree applicants with Chemistry 2/Biochemistry 2 AND relevant work experience (at least 2 years) may be considered subject to availability of space.

All applicants should submit a CV and motivation letter with their application for the diploma.

National Benchmark Test (NBT): Not required.

Application process
For 2021 intake: All applications must be submitted online
Applications open 1 April 2020
Closing date for applications is 31 August 2020

1. Apply on-line using this link:
   http://www.students.uct.ac.za/students/applications/apply/forms
2. Upload copies of your:
   • Final Grade 12 results
   • University Academic records, degree certificate(s)
   • Updated CV and a motivation letter explaining how the diploma will help your career
3. Post certified copies of academic records AND certificates to: UCT’s Undergraduate Admissions Office, Private Bag X3, Rondebosch, 7701

January block
18 January 2021 – 26 February 2021

Venue
Hair & Skin Research Lab, Old Main Building, Groote Schuur Hospital, Observatory, Cape Town, 7925

Queries with online submission: fhs-ug-admiss@uct.ac.za or telephone 021 406-6328 or 021 406-6347

Costs
Available on the UCT website: www.uct.ac.za

Financial Assistance
Scholarships and bursaries:
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NB: This Cosmetic Formulation Science Diploma is an NQ7 qualification. Thus, it is a Postgraduate Program that is managed by the Undergraduate Admissions Office.