

# nail services advanced apprenticeship course factsheet



## **COURSE OVERVIEW**

An advanced apprenticeship in Nail Services is one of the best ways of training to become a specialist in your chosen profession. To enrol, you will need to have achieved your nail services apprenticeship or have an appropriate Level 2 qualification. You will also be employed in the industry, so you are able to **EARN WHILE YOU LEARN**, developing higher level skills and abilities which will benefit your commercial clients, your employer and your own competencies. Your training programme will be based on working full time in the industry, which is known as 'Work-based Learning'. Your previous learning and experience will enable you to progress more rapidly, however you should expect your advanced apprenticeship to last at least twelve months in order for you to consolidate your new skills.

Some of the subjects and skills covered within your apprenticeship include:

- Monitoring procedures to safely control work operations
- Enhancing and maintaining nails using UV gel
- Enhancing and maintaining nails using liquid and powder

With optional units that could include:

- Enhancing and maintaining nails using wraps
- Planning and creating nail art designs
- Developing a range of creative nail images
- Planning and providing airbrush designs for nails
- Preparing and finishing nail overlays using electric files
- Contributing to the planning and implementation of promotional activities

## **QUALIFICATION**

On successful completion of your nail services advanced apprenticeship framework, you will have achieved Qualifications in:

- City & Guilds Nail Services NVQ/ Diploma Level 3
- Level 2 Functional Skills in English
- Level 2 Functional Skills in Maths
- A Nail Services Advanced Apprenticeship Framework Completion Certificate

You will also have a greater insight into the industry, including your Employments Rights and Responsibilities and you will have strengthened your personal learning and thinking skills. Best of all **YOU** will be a competent and confident nail technician, able to offer the full range of nail services to your clients. You will have a record of continuous employment in the nail services profession and your skills will be highly sought after by employers.

## **TRAINING AND ASSESSMENT**

Throughout your advanced apprenticeship you will be assessed on your practical skills and your background knowledge and understanding of each subject. Assessment will take place within your salon workplace. During the course you will build up a portfolio of evidence and achievement. Michael John Academy specialise in Hair

and Beauty training so during your advanced apprenticeship there will be opportunities for you to participate in a range of short specialist courses, Industry excursions and competitive events.

## CARE, GUIDANCE AND SUPPORT

Achieving a Level 3 Advanced Apprenticeship is seen as equivalent to achieving 2 A Level qualifications and you may benefit from additional guidance or support. Michael John Academy are recognised for providing outstanding support to students and if during your initial assessment we feel you would benefit from additional help a package of support will be arranged and personalised to your needs.

## EMPLOYMENT

Advanced apprentices are employed either on a full or part time basis, dependant on the needs of either the employer or advanced apprentice. If you are aged 16-18 or if you are 19+ and in the first year of your apprenticeship you will earn the Apprenticeship National Minimum Wage rate per hour. After that the National Minimum Wage for your age group applies. Most advanced apprentices work full-time 30+ hours per week. As an employed advanced apprentice you will already have a contract of employment and your employer will designate a salon supervisor to mentor and guide you in the workplace. As you are already qualified to junior level you will be contributing to the salon business and it is likely as your skills grow you can create and grow new revenues for the business. Often employers will recognise this and may decide to increase your wages in order to secure your services and higher level skills. Your continued future prosperity is therefore very much in your hands, you can work to increase your abilities, grow your customer base and prove your value to your employer. If you have achieved your Level 2 apprenticeship elsewhere and therefore do not have an employer Michael John Academy can help you to secure employment, however this will be dependent on the number of job opportunities available and our initial assessment of your entry skills and confidence.

## PROGRESSION

When you have completed your Level 3 Advanced Apprenticeship you may wish to progress on to:

- Full time higher education
- Permanent employment as a senior nail technician

## FUNDING

Advanced apprenticeship programmes are fully funded by the Education Skills Funding Agency\*, up to the age of 18 (subject to availability). Apprenticeship programmes are supported by the European Social Funds\*. If you are interested in this programme but are 19+, a percentage of the programme is co-funded by the employer.

## HOW TO APPLY

Applications are accepted throughout the year. In the first instance, please complete a Michael John Academy application form which you can obtain from our web-site. You can also contact us via Facebook or by phoning our Head office, Renshaw Street Academy. (See contact details below)

## TRAINING CENTRE LOCATION

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