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Triton College

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Barbering Certificate Program Coming to Campus this Fall



RIVER GROVE, Ill.—Triton College has announced its new Barber Certificate Program, designed to offer students a comprehensive education in the art and science of barbering. The program will begin enrolling students for the 2024-2025 academic year, offering a curriculum that combines hands-on training with academic instruction.

“At Triton, students will receive hands-on training with top-of-the-line equipment,” said Nicholas Cobb, chair of the college’s Barbering Program. A barber for nearly 20 years, Cobb said the profession is thriving and Triton’s certificate program will prepare students for a rewarding career.

The Barber Certificate requires 50 credit hours, equivalent to 1,500 clock hours required by the Illinois Department of Financial and Professional Regulation. Once students complete the program, they will be eligible for the Illinois Licensed Barber Examination, according to Cobb.

“Triton students will gain skills in haircutting, styling, chemical techniques, facial hair design, shaving and more,” said Cobb, adding that students will learn more than cutting

hair. They will obtain knowledge about the human anatomy and nervous system, especially the head, hands and feet.

“At Triton, students will learn with the best books, kits, clippers and trimmers,” said Cobb. “They can even participate in hair shows. Triton’s program is more economical than other beauty schools.”

With a full course load, Cobb estimates it will take students 14 months to complete the certificate program. He will teach Monday through Thursday in a new state-of-the-art barbering facility on the Triton College campus. The facility is fully-equipped barbering labs that simulate a real-world barbershop environment.

Cobb graduated from Jett College of Barbering, Memphis, Tennessee, in 2008. After working in the field, Cobb became an instructor. He attended the Memphis Institute of Barbering for certification.

Triton is “training the next generation of barbers,” said Cobb. “We are excited about the program” as part of the college’s commitment to providing relevant education that meets the needs of our community and supporting local economies.

Information about Triton College’s Barber Certificate Program is available [here](#).

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Triton College is an institution of higher education dedicated to student success. Triton offers more than 120 degree and certificate programs designed for students to realize their career aspirations and effectively compete in a global economy. The college campus spans 110 acres in River Grove, Illinois, holds classes at satellite locations and offers online learning opportunities. Triton’s exemplary faculty and staff work to provide high-quality, convenient and affordable educational opportunities to more than 10,000 students each year. Triton College is a member of The Community Colleges of Illinois and accredited by the Higher Learning Commission. Learn more at <http://triton.edu/>.