

Hairstylist and Esthetician (Level 1)

<p>What is PLAR?</p>	<p>Prior Learning Assessment (PLAR) is an evaluation through a valid and reliable process, by qualified specialist(s), of the knowledge and skills that have been learned through non-formal education, training or experience to determine the equivalency for credit to a SIAST course.</p>
<p>What can PLAR do for me?</p>	<p>PLAR reduces redundant learning and provides:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Recognition for skills and knowledge acquired through prior learning • Portable credentials • Increased employment opportunities
<p>How do I know if I'm a candidate?</p>	<p>If you have taken any previous hairstylist and esthetician training within the last 5 years, and can provide evidence of your skills and knowledge to meet the learning outcomes within the Hairstylist and Esthetician programs, you may be a PLAR candidate.</p>
<p>What are the PLAR options?</p>	<p>The following 8 courses are PLAR-ready in the Hairstylist and Esthetician programs.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SANT105 - Sanitation, Safety & Hygiene • COSM100 – Reception & Retail • PSYC100 – Salon Psychology • SCI107 – Beauty Culture Sciences • COSM208 – Skin Care & Makeup Techniques • COSM102 – Manicuring & Pedicuring • BUS100 – Salon & Spa Operations • SEM100 – Beauty Culture Seminar <p>A candidate guide has been developed for this program and is accessible through the program web page.</p>
<p>How many courses are available by PLAR?</p>	<p>Specific program courses are PLAR-ready. For a listing of the specific PLAR-ready course titles, check the PLAR database and/or candidate guide.</p> <p>Some courses common to many programs at SIAST (i.e. communications, math, social sciences, and computer applications) are managed by Associated Studies Faculty. To see if the shared courses in your program are PLAR-ready, visit the "PLAR-ready Courses" link on the PLAR homepage for further details.</p> <p>For assistance call SIAST and ask to speak to the PLAR advisor/counselor assigned to the Hairstylist and Esthetician programs at: 1-866-467-4278 or 1-866-goSIAST.</p>

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<p>When are PLAR challenges offered?</p>	<p>PLAR challenges are currently being offered twice a year: October (you must apply by September 1) April (you must be apply by March 1)</p>
<p>How much does PLAR cost?</p>	<p>For a listing of the specific PLAR fees, check the PLAR database or call SIAST and ask to speak to the PLAR advisor/counsellor assigned to the Hairstylist and Esthetician programs at: 1-866-467-4278 or 1-866-goSIAST.</p>
<p>Are there methods other than PLAR to gain SIAST course credits for prior learning?</p>	<p>Transfer Credit SIAST may grant a transfer credit for course(s) from a recognized credit-granting post-secondary educational institution. The training must be similar in content, objectives and evaluation standards to SIAST training.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Major changes in program content may require that the student repeat or seek prior learning assessment recognition for the course for which transfer credit is requested. <p>Any Transfer Credit agreements with this program are listed in the Candidate Guide.</p> <p>For specific information and guidelines regarding Transfer of Credit, contact a SIAST Educational Counsellor or refer to the SIAST Website:</p> <p>http://www.siastr.ca/siastr/admissions/transferecredit.htm</p> <hr/> <p>If your training does not qualify for credit transfer you may ask for a review of your learning through the PLAR process.</p> <p>Equivalent Course Credit The Hairstylist and Esthetician programs may recognize credit for a specific SIAST course(s) on the basis of previous credit in another SIAST course(s).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A student may request prior learning assessment recognition for the course(s) in which the curriculum no longer qualifies for equivalency.
<p>What would I need to prepare for a PLAR assessment?</p>	<p>To be eligible for a PLAR assessment, you must provide:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Transcript of Marks • Industry training certificates with detailed outlines <p>Credit is earned for proven knowledge and skills. For more information on the Learning Outcomes, criteria, and the form of assessment please refer to the PLAR Candidate & Self-audit Package.</p>
<p>How do I get started?</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Review the 10-step PLAR Process at http://www.siastr.ca/siastr/admissions/plar.htm. 2. Call SIAST and ask to speak to the PLAR advisor/counsellor assigned to the Hairstylist and Esthetician programs at: (306) 953-7132 or 1-866-667-7730.