

NAILS' Guide to Nail Education

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Branded learning opportunities can be a great way to improve your skills at an affordable price. We compare your options side-by-side so you can find exactly the type of class you're looking for.

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Akzentz Professional Nail Products	Akzentz Educator Certification Course	education@akzentz.com; ask for information on the Educator Certification Program	Provides training and assessment to those looking to join the Akzentz team as a Consultant or Educator.	● ● ● ● ● ● ● ●	\$700	24	3-6 times/year	none	no	yes	Set times only	multiple choice exam, practical demo demonstration, individual completed nail	ACE (Akzentz Certified Educator), Signature Consultant, Pro-Formance, Options, or Luxio Consultant.	Promotional posters, class booklets, and other educational materials; product samples; featured on website, social media, represent Akzentz at trade shows.	Follow our updated content and educators' work at www.instagram.com/akzentz or www.facebook.com/akzentznails.
Alfalfa Nail Supply	Learn how to increase income with Botanical Escapes Herbal spa	info@alfalfans.com	Learn how to create signature herbal manicures and pedicures using natural ingredients; make your salon different from others and build value with presentational products.	● ● ● ● ● ● ● ●	\$100 (includes free gift bag)	3	8 times/year	none	no	yes	Set times only	none	none	none	Education location is: Alfalfa Nail Supply, 11488 S. Choctaw Dr., Baton Rouge LA 70815.
Chisel 3D Nail Art Stamps	How to create Acrylic Nail Art using Chisel 3D Nail Art Stamping	info@alfalfans.com	Learn new skills and techniques of how to create fast and easy nail art designs using acrylic powders.	● ● ● ● ● ● ● ●	\$100 (includes free gift bag)	3	8 times/year	none	no	yes	Set times only	none	none	none	Education location is: Alfalfa Nail Supply, 11488 S. Choctaw Dr., Baton Rouge LA 70815.
CND	CND Seasonal Trend Play Station Art Vandal Spring 2016	Log in as a Pro at cnd.com/education/ classes and select "Find A Class."	Q&A and demo featuring the latest product offerings and nail styles.	● ● ●	Free	4-8	Ongoing	none	no	yes	Log in as a Pro at cnd.com/education/ classes and select "Find A Class"	not specified	No certification is provided	none specified	none
CND	Seasonal Trend Class Art Vandal Spring 2016	Log in as a Pro at cnd.com and select "Find A Class." For online options, log in as a Pro at cnduniversity.com/my-cndu/, select "Courses" then "Color Courses."	Reinterpret the classics for a new masterpiece of self-expression. Nail styles feature bold patterns that are mixed with unexpected color combinations.	● ● ●	\$25	2	Ongoing	none	yes	yes	Both set times and work-at-your-own-pace are available	not specified	No certification is provided	none specified	none provided
CND	SHELLAC Brand Certification And The Secrets of Success	Log in as a Pro at cnd.com/education/ classes and select "Find A Class."	Become a SHELLAC Brand Certified Pro and unlock the secrets of SHELLAC Brand 14+ Day Nail Color	● ● ● ● ●	\$25	4	Ongoing	none	no	yes	Log in as a Pro at cnd.com/education/ classes and select "Find A Class"	not specified	SHELLAC Brand Certified Pro (conditions apply)	Listing on cnd.com Salon Locator as a SHELLAC Brand Certified Pro	Receive a welcome kit with free business building tools as well as free quarterly merchandise materials.
CND	Master Painter	Log in as a Pro at cnd.com/education/ classes and select "Find A Class."	Learn perfect polish application, proper removal and how to enhance speed using SHELLAC Brand 14+ Day Nail Color and VINYLUX Weekly Polish.	● ● ● ● ●	\$250	8	Ongoing	none	no	yes	Log in as a Pro at cnd.com/education/ classes and select "Find A Class"	not described	Master Painter Certificate	Listing on cnd.com Salon Locator as a SHELLAC Brand Master and SHELLAC Brand Certified Pro (conditions apply)	Attendees will receive a CND Logo Item and CND Curette, while supplies last.
CND	Skill Building with BRISA Gel	Log in as a Pro at cnd.com/education/ classes and select "Find A Class."	Discover the fundamentals of BRISA Gel, interactive professional application techniques and the keys to success.	● ● ● ● ●	\$100	4	Ongoing	none	no	yes	Log in as a Pro at cnd.com/education/ classes and select "Find A Class"	not specified	not specified	not specified	none
CND	Master Sculptor	Log in as a Pro at cnd.com/education/ classes and select "Find A Class."	Master the art of Gel with award-winning BRISA Gel for clients that need enhanced shape and instant length. Learn the five elements of design, perfect application in single color and forever French and time-saving finishing techniques that create durable, long-lasting enhancements every time.	● ● ●	\$200	8	Ongoing	none	no	yes	Log in as a Pro at cnd.com/education/ classes and select "Find A Class"	not specified	Master Sculptor Certificate	Listing on cnd.com Salon Locator as a BRISA Gel Master	Attendees will receive a CND Logo Item and CND Brush Case, while supplies last.
CND	Skill Building with RETENTION+ Liquid & Powder	Log in as a Pro at cnd.com/education/ classes and select "Find A Class."	Discover the fundamentals of RETENTION+ Liquid & Powder systems through interactive professional application techniques.	● ● ●	\$100	4	Ongoing	none	no	yes	Log in as a Pro at cnd.com/education/ classes and select "Find A Class"	not specified	not specified	not specified	none
CND	Master Architect	Log in as a Pro at cnd.com/education/ classes and select "Find A Class."	Master the art of Liquid & Powder with award-winning Retention+ Enhancements. Learn the five elements of design, perfect application and time-saving finishing techniques that create the best architecture for any illusion.	● ● ●	\$200	8	Ongoing	none	no	yes	Log in as a Pro at cnd.com/education/ classes and select "Find A Class"	not specified	Master Architect Certificate	Listing on cnd.com Salon Locator as a Retention+/Acrylic Master	Attendees will receive a CND Logo Item and CND Dappen Dish, while supplies last.
CND	Natural Nail Clinic	Log in as a Pro at cnd.com/education/ classes and select "Find A Class."	Understand the facts of natural nail anatomy. Learn the fundamentals of Care, Condition and Coat. Discover how to prevent and repair damage.	● ● ●	\$25	2	Ongoing	none	no	yes	Log in as a Pro at cnd.com/education/ classes and select "Find A Class"	not specified	none specified	none specified	none

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CND	Manicure With CND Spa; Pedicure With CND Spa	Log in as a Pro at cnd.com/education/ classes and select "Find A Class."	Upgrade your service with exfoliation and unique massage techniques. CND's 4-step system allows you to customize with fragrance and add-ons.	● ●	\$50	4	Ongoing	none	no	yes	Log in as a Pro at cnd.com/education/ classes and select "Find A Class"	none described	none specified	none specified	Complimentary CND Logo Tote and CND Spa Applicator Brush, while supplies last. Manicure and Pedicure courses can be combined for a one-day, six-hour CND Spa event.
CND	Troubleshooting	Log in as a Pro at cnd.com/education/ classes and select "Find A Class."	One-on-one professional advice on all things CND. Identify and solve common problems using science-based knowledge and proven techniques	● ● ● ● ● ● ● ● ●	\$25	2	Ongoing	none	no	yes	Log in as a Pro at cnd.com/education/ classes and select "Find A Class"	none described	none specified	none specified	none
CND	CND Play Station	Log in as a Pro at cnd.com/education/ classes and select "Find A Class."	Play with the latest and greatest CND products. On-demand Q&A and demonstration sessions featuring the latest nail styles, menu options, and product offerings.	● ● ● ● ● ● ● ● ●	Free	4-8	Ongoing	none	no	yes	Log in as a Pro at cnd.com/education/ classes and select "Find A Class"	none described	none specified	none specified	none
En Vogue Sculptured Nail Systems Inc.	Course 1: Natural Nail Care; Course 2: Sculptured Perfection; Course 3: SIMPLY Fills	info@envoguenails.com or www.envoguenails.com/education	These courses can be taken individually, with certification after each course. Students receive quality hours of hands-on experience so they leave with the technical skills to create superior nail enhancements.	● ● ● ● ● ● ● ●	\$975/course plus applicable taxes	39 per course	4 times/year	none	no	yes	Set times only	Written theory exam and one practical exam after each course	En Vogue Nail Technician Certificate	En Vogue technicians are listed on the "Locate a Salon" link on the manufacturer's website	These classes are available in Canada and Europe only. En Vogue Master Educator training also available. Inquire at info@envoguenails.com .
Essie Professional	Essie Professional Development classes	Your local SalonCentric store or www.essie.com (Pro-Login)	Classes: 1. The Art of Sales 2. Nail Salon Best Practices. Are your Hands in Good Hands? 3. Essie Etiquette...Secrets of Behaving Beautifully. 4. Nail Genius (A fun pop quiz about the anatomy of the natural nail)	● ● ● ● ● ● ● ●	Free with purchase of the essie.gel line or \$600 in annual Essie sales	2	At national beauty shows, in-salon classes, SalonCentric store classes	none	no	yes	Set times only	Class protocol and checklist available	Essie Professional Brand Expert	none specified	Check out www.essie.com (Pro Login) for all the latest professional offerings from Essie education.
Famous Names	IBX Certification Class	www.ibxnails.com , www.famousnamesproducts.com , or contact Marti Manning at (877) 235-1141 or marti@famousnamesproducts.com	Become an expert in bringing dry, damaged, brittle nails back to life and learn how to protect and repair nails under all gel-polish.	● ● ● ● ● ● ● ●	\$65 (includes IBX kit)	3	Monthly classes in Las Vegas and at all major shows	none	no	yes	Set times only	Pass the written exam to become IBX Certified	IBX Certified Pro title	Certified Professional logo issued for marketing purposes	We offer this certification class all over the globe. You'll get: an in-depth understanding of IBX and IBX Repair
Footlogix	Footlogix Continuing Education Program	Webinar mailing list sign up: http://goo.gl/YjWJCV	Understanding today's client and recommending the right foot care product to them.	● ● ● ● ● ● ●	Free	3 per quarter	Monthly	none	yes	no	Set times, but recorded webinars are also available	No written tests	Certificate of completion issued after completion of all three webinars	Nail tech added to the Footlogix Retail finder on the company's website	YouTube channel features pedicure tutorials: www.youtube.com/footlogixpedi
Gehwol	Advanced Seminar	events@gehwolfootcare.com , (877) 373-7899	Recognize, recommend, and refer common conditions that are seen on clients' feet, nails, and skin.	● ● ● ● ● ● ●	\$120	5 ½	5 times/year	none	no	yes	Set times only	none	Certificate of Completion	none	Attendees receive a gift bag
Hand & Nail Harmony	Hand & Nail Harmony Foundation Educator Training	e-mail resume and pictures of your work to mparrish@nailalliance.com	Join the Harmony Education team by attending a Foundation Training to elevate your career to the next level.	● ● ● ● ● ● ● ● ●	Free with purchase of \$350 educator kit	40	4 times/year	none	no	yes	Set times only	Practical evaluation of technical applications, product knowledge written evaluation, and presentation evaluation	3 levels of possible certification determined by evaluation scores: Bachelor Educator, Master Educator, or Doctorate Educator	Educators are listed on website and featured class information	Look for other Hand & Nail Harmony classes (with shorter time commitments) at every major tradeshow
Hand & Nail Harmony	Hand & Nail Harmony Vietnamese Foundation Educator Training	email resume and pictures of your work to vnguyen@nailalliance.com	Join the Harmony Education team by attending Vietnamese Foundation Training to elevate your career to the next level.	● ● ● ● ● ● ● ● ●	Free with purchase of \$350 educator kit	40	4 times/year	none	no	yes	Set times only (Brea, Calif: April 1-4, 2016)	Practical evaluation of technical applications, product knowledge written evaluation, and presentation evaluation	3 levels of possible certification determined by evaluation scores: Bachelor Educator, Master Educator, or Doctorate Educator	Educators are listed on website and featured class information	Visit www.gelish.com and YouTube channel "handandnailharmony" for product information, application procedures, and nail art tutorials
Hand & Nail Harmony/Artistic Nail Design	Artistic Nail Design Advanced Certification	Inquire with your local distributor	Artistic Nail Design offers first-class education that inspires and ignites the passion in every nail artist.	● ● ● ● ● ● ● ●	Free with purchase of corresponding kit	4-8	several times/year	none	no	yes	Set times only	none	Artistic Nail Design Advanced Certification certificate	Can be added to Salon locator on Artistic Nail Design's website	Check out www.artisticnaildesign.com and YouTube for application and nail art tutorials.
Hand & Nail Harmony/Artistic Nail Design	Artistic Nail Design International Educator Training	education@artisticnaildesign.com	Artistic Nail Design Educators are a select group of technicians who demonstrate a passion for the industry and have exceptional skills of technique and application.	● ● ● ● ● ● ● ●	Free with purchase of \$450 Educator Kit	40	several times/year	none	no	yes	Set times only	Written test on product knowledge, oral presentation, and several practical exams	Artistic International Educator	Website listing	Check out www.artisticnaildesign.com and YouTube for application and nail art tutorials.

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Hand & Nail Harmony/Artistic Nail Design	Artistic Rock Hard World Tour	www.artisticnaildesign.com	Join world-renowned Artistic Nail Design Educators for a 2-day training you will never forget. This intensive training covers the Rock Hard line, an innovative gel and liquid-and-powder system, that turns your clients into groupies.	● ● ● ● ●	Free with purchase of \$195 kit	16	several times/year	none	no	yes	Set times only	NA	Rock Hard World Tour Advanced Certification	none	Check out www.artisticnaildesign.com and YouTube for application and nail art tutorials.
Hand & Nail Harmony/Entity Beauty	Entity Educator Training	entityeducation@nailalliance.com	Join Entity Beauty's education team to share your knowledge with nail technicians all over the world.	● ● ● ● ● ● ● ●	Free with purchase of \$350 starter product kit	40	2 times/year	none	no	yes	Set times only	Written test and hands-on gel and acrylic testing	4 Educator levels: Entity Apprentice, Entity Educator, Entity Artist, Entity Global Artist	Website listing by level and social media announcements	Open house distributor events, hands-on classes, and salon detailing through Entity distributors throughout the world.
Juke Co.Ltd. (Vetro)	Vetro Technician Course	support@vetro-us.com, www.vetro-us.com, (888) 239-3562	Everything you need to know about Vetro products, how to use them correctly to offer great gel nail service, and create Japanese nail art with Vetro gels.	● ● ● ● ● ●	\$400 course fee + \$450 student kit	12	12 times or more/year	none	no	yes	Set times only	none	Vetro Technician certificate	Listing on Vetro USA website store locator as certified Vetro technician and 10% discount on all Vetro products	Additional 3-hour classes available for those who complete the Vetro Technician Course (Gel Sculpture/How to use eFiles/Trend Nail Art).
Juke Co.Ltd. (Vetro)	Vetro Instructor Development Course (IDC)	support@vetro-us.com, www.vetro-us.com, (888) 239-3562	This course is for who has completed Vetro Technician Course and want to be a Vetro instructor. You will learn how to teach the Vetro Technician course. You must take this course before taking the instructor exam.	● ● ● ● ● ●	\$1,200	24	3 times or more/year	none	no	yes	Set times only	Eligible for instructor exam	Instructor development course certificate	Listing on Vetro USA website store locator as certified Vetro technician and 10% discount on all Vetro products	Additional 3-hour classes available for those who complete the Vetro Technician Course (Gel Sculpture/How to use eFiles/Trend Nail Art).
Light Elegance	Light Elegance University	lightelegance.com or call (800) 275-5596	Earn your Light Elegance University Bachelor's Degree by completing four interactive courses and passing your final exam. Includes one-on-one training via Skype with a top LE Educator.	● ● ● ● ● ● ● ●		20+ practice for testing	Ongoing	none	yes	yes	Set times and work at your own pace	Photo submissions, written assignments and multiple choice	LEU Bachelor's Degree	Salon recognition online as well as graduates-only promotions	Catch a preview of the LEU content on our YouTube channel.
Mia Secret	Advanced Nail Structure Workshop	(626) 581-4444 or info@miasecretnails.com	Learn and practice how to properly sculpt the nail structure	● ● ● ● ● ● ● ●	\$85 but varies by city	8	3 times/year in U.S.	none	no	yes	Set times only	Written test	Exclusive Nail Tech	Opt to continue getting trained by Mia Secret International Master Educators to be an Exclusive Educator.	Mia Secret has academies in Latin America with courses for beginner, intermediate, and advanced nail techs.
Minx Nails	Minx Mastery Course	www.minxnails.com, najazone@gmail.com, 862-251-NAJA	Course includes the basic foundation of Minx application, mixed media, and how to incorporate into your existing services to make more money.	● ● ● ● ● ● ● ●	\$150/class, call for quote for online or private courses	2 ½/class (plus homework)	6 times/year	none	yes	yes	Set times and work at your own pace	Practical test	Certificate, Minx Nail Stylist	Listing on website	Instructional videos available at www.minxnails.com/t-how-to.aspx
Minx Nails	Nails: Mastered With Marian Newman	www.mastered.com/nails	Fashion industry training to get you real work, improve your talent, and transform your brand. Led by nail artist Marian Newman.	● ● ● ● ● ● ●	\$1,980 (or \$550/month)	Varies	4 months (course materials are available for life)	none	yes	no	work at your own pace	Creative work by fashion industry icons	none	Best work will be featured by top magazines and brands	The program features the best photo editors, fashion editors, agents, and creative directors worldwide.
OPI Products, Inc.	OPIDESIGNSCAPE	Profession Nail techs need to contact their authorized distributor or can log on to www.pro.opi.com for a complete listing for classes	Reenergize your business in this hands-on class, with the hottest nail trends of the season including OPI's newest concept, OPIDESIGNSCAPE; the system that helps you master and market nail art with OPI's seasonal nail design library using OPI GelColor.	● ● ●	\$35/attendee	3	2 times/year	In all states	no	yes	Most distributor classes are scheduled on Mondays, during working hours	There are no written tests.	Each nail tech receives a Certificate of Completion.	We encourage every nail professional to register their salon on our website. Each nail professional also completes 6 designs on nail tips to showcase the featured looks in their salon.	OPI.com features a library of nail art with support including written and video step-by-steps.
ORLY	ORLY Workshops at Tradeshows (Basic and Advanced); ORLY Master Courses (available second half 2016)	Tradeshows websites for show workshops; www.orlybeauty.com for Master Courses	1. Tradeshows Basic Workshop: ORLY Ambassador teaches basics that you can easily apply to create simple to complex designs 2. Tradeshows Advanced Workshop: ORLY Ambassador will teach techniques for achieving complex looks. 3. Master Courses at Headquarters: Classes on spa techniques, perfecting gels, nail art techniques, and business development.	● ● ● ● ● ● ● ●	Check tradeshows websites and ORLY website in the fall	Not specified	Tradeshows workshops: 3 times/year. Master Courses: to be determined	yes, call mfg.	no	yes	Set times only	No description provided	Certificates issued	none specified	No additional information provided
Tammy Taylor Nails, Inc.	Hands-On Nail Application Workshops	800-93-TAMMY (82669) to speak to your personal Tammy Taylor Educator	Learn how to build a successful nail business by mastering the "4 money making" nail services.	● ● ● ● ● ● ● ● ● ●	(recommended) \$155-\$250	6 (foundation); 8 (nail design); 14 (advanced)	monthly (6- and 8-hour workshops)	none	no	yes	Set times only	Hands-on application evaluated during and at the end of each class for certificate of completion	Trained in Tammy Taylor 12 Step Acrylic and/or Gel Systems	Added to consumer referral list, to promote, as requests are made for a Tammy Taylor Salon	2-day advanced class is open to nail techs who have been licensed for a minimum of 2 years and have attended a 6- or 8-hour workshop.
Young Nails Tech	OWC (One Week Course)	www.youngnails.com or (714) 992-1400	Course 1: Mastering Acrylic; Course 2: Mastering Gel. These one-week courses are not for the weak at heart. For five straight days, Young Nails Tech will challenge you, inspire you, and work you hard.	● ● ● ● ● ● ● ● ●	\$795/each	42.5/course	5 Mastering Acrylic and 5 Mastering Gel courses a year	none	no	yes	Set times only	There is a test on Friday where you have to do 8 clients in 6 hours	Certificate of Completion Mastering Acrylic; Certificate of Completion Mastering Gel.	Young Nails refers its exclusive clientele to OWC graduates.	If a one-week course is too much of a commitment, call (714) 992-1400 and ask about 1-day courses that are held every month.

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NAILS' Guide to Nail Education

Part II: Independent Education

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The Academy of Nail Design (TAOND)	Derma Care Nail Specialist Program (D.C.N.S.)	www.taond.com	The D.C.N.S. program has been designed to give already experienced nail professionals advanced training in natural nail care and the opportunity to earn their D.C.N.S. professional designation as accredited by the Canadian Examining Board of Health Care Practitioners.	● ● ● ● ● ● ●	CDN\$249	6 months	N/A (available on demand)	none	yes	no	Self-paced	tests, assignments, and practical work	Graduates from Canada, U.S., Australia, New Zealand, and China are eligible to apply for their professional D.C.N.S. designation from the Canadian Examining Board of Health Care Practitioners.	none	none
Cosmetology Continuing Education Online LLC	1 & Done 4-hour Manicurist CE Course (Texas #14724); Florida Nail Specialists' Course (Florida #0005535)	www.1stopceus.com	Earn Texas or Florida CEUs.	● ●	\$25.95	4 (TX); 16 (FL)	N/A (available on demand)	TX, FL	yes	no	Self-paced	none	Course completion certificates are provided and electronic course completion reports are sent to the Texas or Florida state board.	none	CCEO is a professional continuing education company with 20 years of education experience.
Doug Schoon	Face-to-Face with Doug Schoon	www.facetofacewithdougshoon.com	Doug Schoon answers questions from nail techs around the world in this Internet video series.	● ● ● ● ● ● ● ●	\$5.95/month with code "NailsMag"	Varies	new video each month	none	yes	no	Self-paced	none	none	Doug Schoon will give you a big hug when he meets you at a trade show/event.	Free examples can be seen on YouTube's "Face to Face with Doug Schoon" channel.
The High Road to Education (HRTE)	The High Road to Education (HRTE)	www.thehrte.com	Non-product-specific education from veteran technicians teaching their tips, tricks, and techniques on a variety of subjects such as gel, acrylic, pedicure, design, nail art, trends, business, and much more.	● ● ● ● ● ● ● ●	\$150 (2-day HRTE class); new is Saturday optional 3-hour AM and PM classes at \$100-\$150/each	16+ (HRTE only); 22+ (HRTE plus optional classes)	2-4/year	none	yes	no	Set times only	none	certificate of completion	none	Instructors vary but past instructors have included Gina Silvestro, Joseph Pham, Amy Becker, Ami McClure, Traci Dungan, Catherine Wong, Max Estrada, John Hauk, Holly Schippers, Vivian Simmonds, Trang Nguyen,.
International Nail Technicians Association (INTA)	Spa Manicure/Pedicure & Marketing	www.americasbeautyshow.com/education/online-education	INTA's home study course #1 is designed to teach practical technique and application along with the marketing ideas to put your skills to work. The program is divided into three sections along with a short quiz and a home study program evaluation. Covers spa manicure, spa pedicure, and marketing your new skill.	● ● ●	\$75 (INTA, CC, AAE members); \$115 (non-members)	5	N/A (available on-demand)	Illinois	yes	no	Self-paced	short quiz and home study program evaluation	Earns licensed Illinois nail techs and cosmetologists 5 continuing education hours	none	none
International Nail Technicians Association (INTA)	Career Opportunities in the Beauty Industry	www.americasbeautyshow.com/education/online-education	INTA's home study course #2 is designed to give an overview and basic information on work opportunities available to beauty professionals. This program is divided into two sections along with a short quiz and a home study program evaluation. Covers different types employment opportunities.	●	\$50 (INTA, CC, AAE members); \$75 (non-members)	3	N/A (available on-demand)	Illinois	yes	no	Self-paced	short quiz and home study program evaluation	Earns licensed Illinois nail techs and cosmetologists 3 continuing education hours	none	none
International Nail Technicians Association (INTA)	Basic Nail Art	www.americasbeautyshow.com/education/online-education	Gives the nail professional a basic skill level in nail art. This program is comprised of a multitude of nail art designs and a home study program evaluation. The bulk of the home study concentrates on re-creating nail art.	●	\$35 (INTA, CC, AAE members); \$55 (non-members)	2	N/A (available on-demand)	Illinois	no	no	Self-paced	nail art recreations and home study program evaluation	Earns licensed Illinois nail techs and cosmetologists 2 continuing education hours	none	This course is not available online. It is home study only.
Lauren Wireman (Wildflowers Nails)	NailArt Bootcamp	www.wildflowersnails.com	100% hands-on class where techs create the latest trends in salon-style nail art. Each style can be created in 10 minutes or less.	● ● ● ● ● ● ●	\$100-\$450	3-16	26 times in 2016	check the website for state listing	no	yes	Set times only	none	Certificate of Completion; for some states, certification of continuing education hours completed	none	Skype lessons and private lessons are also available with or without a kit.
MediNail Learning Center	The MediNail Safety Summit	www.medinail.com, 423-805-7966, or MediNail Facebook page	A physician-directed advanced seminar that provides nail technicians and CCPMAs the opportunity to participate in lectures held by internationally recognized physicians in topics such as nail pathology and nail tumors, and participants mingle with practicing physicians and their assistants. Hands-on training may include lasers, electric files classes, and prosthetic nail classes.	● ● ● ● ● ● ●	\$25 registration fee with additional educational seminars available for extra fees	12 (6 hands-on; 6 lectures)	1/year	some states	no	yes	Set times only	None but certifications with hands-on application will be available.	Salon can be rated as a "Safe Salon" and included with app for clients; certifications available in some applications such as laser.	MediNail lists all graduates on the graduate list at www.medinail.com, safesalonrating.com, and facebook.com.	Instructors include Robert Spalding, DPM; Bradley Bakotic, DO, DPM; Bryan Markinson, DPM; David Zuckerman, DPM; Athena Elliott, CCPMA, MNNT, ANT, NT.

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MediNail Learning Center	MediNail-Advanced Nail Technologist (M-ANT)	www.medinail.com or 423-805-7966	The MediNail Advanced Nail Technologist program is a physician-directed advanced online training that provides nail techs of any country of origin a certification in nail salon safety and infection control. Based on the books <i>Death By Pedicure</i> and <i>The Science of Pedicures</i> , it ultimately leads to the certification of a Medical Nail Technician and CCPMA that is approved by the American College of the Foot and Ankle Orthopedics.	● ● ● ● ●	\$159	30 (15 modules at 2 hours each)	N/A (available on demand)	some states	yes	no	Self-paced	one final written test	Advanced Nail Technologist	MediNail lists all graduates on the graduate list at www.medinail.com, safesalonrating.com, and facebook.com.	To date, over 1,000 nails techs have started the training since 2006. Instructors include Robert Spalding, DPM, and Athena Elliott, CCPMA, MNT, ANT NT
MediNail Learning Center	Medical Nail Technician (MNT)	www.medinail.com or 423-805-7966	The Medical Nail Technicians is a physician-directed advanced online training program providing nail techs and other beauty professionals medical certification approved by ACFAOM.org to work in podiatric medical offices to provide routine foot care. The MNT training leads to a national certification as a certified clinical podiatric medical assistant (CCPMA) approved by the American College of Foot And Ankle Orthopedics and Medicine.	● ● ● ● ●	\$275	62 (11 online modules at 2 hours each and 40-hour internship)	N/A (available on demand)	some states	yes	no	Self-paced	2 online tests plus 40-hour internship in a podiatry office	MNT, which can be upgraded to a national certification by the ACFAOM.org to a certified clinical podiatric medical assistant (CCPMA)	MediNail lists all graduates on the graduate list at www.medinail.com, safesalonrating.com, and facebook.com.	To date, over 1,000 nails techs have started the training since 2006 and over 450 graduates are currently certified. Instructor is Robert Spalding, DPM.
MediNail Learning Center	Safe Salon Rating	www.medinail.com or 423-805-7966	SafeSalonRating.com (SSR) is a physician-directed advanced nail salon facility marketing training module and phone app leading to a 5-star safe salon rating certification promoting five proven methods to potentially reduce nail salon infections and your chance of nail salon lawsuits.	● ● ● ● ●	free (\$99 for Certifications and marketing material)	up to 1	N/A (available on demand)	some states	yes	no	Self-paced	one final written test	Certification as a Five Star Safe Salon. Listed on the app that is available for Apple and Android phones and devices.	MediNail lists all graduates on the graduate list at www.medinail.com, safesalonrating.com, and facebook.com.	To date, over 1,000 nails techs have started the training since 2006. Instructors include Robert Spalding, DPM, and Athena Elliott, CCPMA, MNT, ANT NT.
MiladyPro	MiladyPro Online Classes	miladypro.com	MiladyPro now offers online classes in filing, mastering nail enhancements, increasing speed and consistency with liquid and powder products, and making more money with your services. Learn a new technique or tactic for building your business through videos, photos, and activities.	● ● ● ●	\$14.95-\$29.95 (varies by class)	1 (per class)	N/A (available on demand)	some states	yes	no	Self-paced	Various short "check your knowledge" multiple-choice assessments in each class. Each class ends with a final exam; a multiple-choice assessment based on the content of the entire class.	none	none	Instructor is Alisha Rimando. In addition to MiladyPro's online classes, MiladyPro features online training videos, and free step-by-step nail art tutorials.
Nailcare Academy, LLC	Advanced Nail Technician Program (ANT); Footcare Nail Technician Program (FNT); Medical Nail Tech Program (MNT)	www.nailcare-academy.com (inquiries to info@nailcare-academy.com, 863-273-9134)	These programs are available online 24/7. The ANT Program is designed to train salon-based nail techs to work safely, especially on their chronically ill clients. The MNT Program is designed to prepare nail techs to work appropriately and safely in medical settings performing cosmetic services.	● ● ● ● ● ●	\$297 (ANT); \$597 (FNT); \$647 (MNT, including internship)	10-12 (ANT); 12-15 plus 40-hour internship (MNT)	N/A (available on-demand)	none	yes	yes	Set times (at contracting schools)	100 multiple-choice questions online	Advanced Nail Technician Program certification is ANT-C; Footcare Nail Technician certification is CFNT; Medical Nail Tech Program certification is MNT.	Listing on the graduate site (www.safesalonservices.com)	Instructor is Janet McCormick. The courses are always available to graduates as they are updated. Marketing templates and mentorship are provided. Nailcare Academy's Footcare Nail Technician is the same as the MNT minus the internship.
North American School of Podology	Level 1: Certified Master Pedicure	855-622-NASP (6277), www.podology.net, NASP@kvgroup.com	In-depth theory and hands-on practical training taking your pedicures beyond the traditional buff and polish pedicure service. This certified class teaches new specialty techniques for pedicuring seniors and diabetics clients following the NASP model of the three Rs (recognize, recommend, refer).	● ● ● ● ● ● ●	\$695	80 hours (32 in class; 48 home study)	6-10 times/year	none	no	yes	Set times only	written exam	Certified Master Pedicurist CMP	added to "CMP Finder" on website	NASP offers professional advanced foot care training and knowledge. Instructors are Vicki Malo, Brenda Ribble, and Debra Bourque.
North American School of Podology	Level 2: Infection Control and Salon Safety	855-622-NASP (6277), www.podology.net, NASP@kvgroup.com	In-depth information on infection prevention and cross-contamination in a salon environment. This class includes occupational safety, incident documentation, and other safe salon processes.	● ● ● ● ● ● ●	\$195	20 (6 online; 14 home study)	6 times/year	none	yes	yes	Set times only	written exam	certificate of completion	none	Instructor is Suzanne Foote. Prevent infection and cross-contamination in your salon with this interactive online class.
North American School of Podology	Level 3: Comprehensive Foot and Leg Evaluation	855-622-NASP (6277), www.podology.net, NASP@kvgroup.com	Gain a better understanding of your clients' feet and pressure points and the relationship of biomechanics to gait. Plus, learn about corrective techniques for abnormal gait and choosing proper footwear from a leading pedorthist.	● ● ● ● ● ● ●	\$695	100 (32 in class; 68 home study)	4 times/year	none	no	yes	Set times only	written exam	Certificate of Completion—application for C.Pod (I)	none	Instructor is Cindy Harvey, CPed. This class enables the participant to understand gait and how it affects the clients' feet as well as how to make proper foot care recommendations.

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North American School of Podology	Level 4: Advanced Skin and Nail Pathologies; Diabetic Foot Syndrome, Lower Limb Circulation	855-622-NASP (6277), www.podology.net, NASP@kvggroup.com	This class includes detailed information about skin and nail pathologies as well as information on the circulatory system including lymph, diabetic foot syndrome, and what it means to a pedicurist. You will also learn about sensitivity testing and compression taping.	● ● ● ● ● ●	\$595	100 (24 in class; 76 home study)	2 times/year	none	no	yes	Set times only	written exam	Certified Podologist C. Pod (I)	added to "CPod Finder" on website	Instructor is J Aust, MD. NASP offers professional advanced foot care training and knowledge that differentiates graduates from the standard salon pedicurist
North American School of Podology	Art of Touch Massage Modalities for the Lower Leg	855-622-NASP (6277), www.podology.net, NASP@kvggroup.com	In-depth class on massage modalities, reflexology techniques, touch therapies, and Ayurveda massage with akansa wand, specifically for the feet and lower leg.	● ● ● ● ● ●	\$345	16	4 times/year	none	no	yes	Set times only	written exam	none	none	NASP offers professional advanced foot care training and knowledge that differentiates graduates from the standard salon pedicurist.
Professional Continuing Education Services, LLC (www.pcesceu.com)	PCES	www.pcesceu.com	Professional Continuing Education Services has a state-accredited online solution to cosmetology continuing education for cosmetologists, nail techs, estheticians, and instructors.	● ● ● ● ● ● ● ●	\$49.99 for first 3 hours, \$39.99 for the second 3 hours; \$60 in-person classes	12/bi-ennially	N/A (available on demand)	SC, GA, NC, DC	yes	yes	Self-paced and set time options available	none	South Carolina license holders receive a certificate from the University of South Carolina higher education credits; nail techs in other states print a certificate from the site after completion.	none	PCES will be offering interactive courses to include live in-person classes straight from the convenience of your home, office, or any mobile device.
Salon Gurus, LLC	Many courses available including "Working with a Physician," "Pedicuring with an E-File," and "Safe Salon Concept."	www.salon-gurus.com, choose a program, and move through purchase process.	This site is developed to allow skin and nail care industry gurus to support their peers by making their expertise available in an inexpensive format.	● ● ● ● ● ● ●	\$37-\$99/program	1-5/program	N/A (available on-demand)	none	yes	no	Self-paced	none	Safe Salon Concept Program is the only one with certification (the tech and salon are awarded a certificate and declaration)	Completing the Safe Salon Concept Program earns a placement on the Safe Salon Services site.	Each program is written by a professional considered an expert in his/her specialty. See site for the name of the author of each course. Salon Gurus is always seeking experts who are willing to share great information with the technicians.

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Looking for education with a specific scope? Narrow your search with this index. Refer to the chart and contact providers for additional details on which course covers exactly what you want to learn. Beyond these options, you may also find branded and non-branded nail education at your beauty distributors, beauty schools, and tradeshows.

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