ZMS THE ACADEMY

Academic Calendar 2026–2027 with Sample Monthly Class Schedule

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1. The Academic Year — Continuous, Year-Round Enrollment

ZMS The Academy operates on a continuous, year-round academic calendar. The Academy does not use semesters, quarters, or terms:

- Open enrollment — new students may begin throughout the year as classes have space.
- All enrollment is full time. The full-time class load varies by program as shown in the weekly schedule below; in the hybrid Electrology program, 16 in-person lab hours per week constitute full-time enrollment alongside its online theory.
- There is no summer break and no winter break. Classes run year-round and close only for the observed holidays listed below.

2. Holiday Closures (No Classes)

Holiday	Date(s) Closed	Notes
Thanksgiving 2026	Thu–Fri, Nov 26–27, 2026	Observed — classes run Mon–Wed that week
Christmas 2026	Thu–Sat, Dec 24–26, 2026	Observed — classes resume Monday, Dec 28
New Year's Closure	Thu, Dec 31, 2026 – Sat, Jan 2, 2027	Observed — classes resume Monday, Jan 4, 2027
Martin Luther King Jr. Day	Mon, Jan 18, 2027	Observed
Presidents' Day	Mon, Feb 15, 2027	Observed
Cesar Chavez Day	Wed, Mar 31, 2027	Observed
Memorial Day	Mon, May 31, 2027	Observed
Labor Day	Mon, Sep 6, 2027	Observed
Columbus Day	Mon, Oct 11, 2027	Observed
Veterans Day	Thu, Nov 11, 2027	Observed
Thanksgiving 2027	Thu–Fri, Nov 25–26, 2027	Observed — classes run Mon–Wed that week
Christmas 2027	Sat–Sun, Dec 25–26, 2027	Observed

3. Weekly Class Schedule by Program

Program	Hours / Length	In-Person Class Days & Times	Mandatory Zoom Session	Notes
Barbering	1,000 hrs 8 months	Mon–Thu, 8:00am–4:00pm or 2:00pm–10:00pm	None	In-person theory lectures Mondays & Tuesdays
Cosmetology	1,000 hrs 8 months	Mon–Thu, 2:00pm–10:00pm	Thursdays (90 min)	Zoom is supplemental theory support, in addition to classes
Esthetician	600 hrs 6 months	Mon–Wed, 8:00am–4:00pm	Wednesdays (90 min)	

Electrology (Hybrid)	600 hrs 6 months max	In-person lab: 16 hours per week	Wednesdays (90 min)	360 online theory hrs + 240 in-person lab hrs; NOT a distance education program
Manicuring	400 hrs 3 months	Thu, Fri & Sat, 8:00am–2:00pm	Thursdays (90 min)	
Body Art Technician	600 hrs 6 months	Varying schedules — contact the Academy	None	Not regulated by the California Board of Barbering and Cosmetology; LA County registration

Every program also includes live instructor demonstrations, hands-on practice, tutoring by personal schedule, and a supplemental online licensing-exam preparation course (all programs except Body Art) toward the end of training.

4. Sample Monthly Class Schedule — January 2027

A typical month at ZMS The Academy. This weekly pattern repeats year-round; only the holiday closures change from month to month.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 **CLOSED — New Year's Closure**	**2** **CLOSED — New Year's Closure**
4 Barber (AM & PM) + theory lecture Cosmo (PM) Esthetician	**5** Barber (AM & PM) + theory lecture Cosmo (PM) Esthetician	**6** Barber (AM & PM) Cosmo (PM) Esthetician **ZOOM: Esthetician & Electrology**	**7** Barber (AM & PM) Cosmo (PM) Manicuring **ZOOM: Cosmo & Manicuring**	**8** Manicuring	**9** Manicuring
11 Barber (AM & PM) + theory lecture Cosmo (PM) Esthetician	**12** Barber (AM & PM) + theory lecture Cosmo (PM) Esthetician	**13** Barber (AM & PM) Cosmo (PM) Esthetician **ZOOM: Esthetician & Electrology**	**14** Barber (AM & PM) Cosmo (PM) Manicuring **ZOOM: Cosmo & Manicuring**	**15** Manicuring	**16** Manicuring
18 **CLOSED — MLK Jr. Day**	**19** Barber (AM & PM) + theory lecture Cosmo (PM) Esthetician	**20** Barber (AM & PM) Cosmo (PM) Esthetician **ZOOM: Esthetician & Electrology**	**21** Barber (AM & PM) Cosmo (PM) Manicuring **ZOOM: Cosmo & Manicuring**	**22** Manicuring	**23** Manicuring
25 Barber (AM & PM) + theory lecture Cosmo (PM) Esthetician	**26** Barber (AM & PM) + theory lecture Cosmo (PM) Esthetician	**27** Barber (AM & PM) Cosmo (PM) Esthetician **ZOOM: Esthetician & Electrology**	**28** Barber (AM & PM) Cosmo (PM) Manicuring **ZOOM: Cosmo & Manicuring**	**29** Manicuring	**30** Manicuring

Classes resume Monday, January 4, 2027 after the New Year's closure. Electrology in-person lab hours (16 per week) and Body Art classes follow their own schedules and are not shown. Sundays: closed, no classes.

5. Academic Progress Checkpoints (Satisfactory Academic Progress)

Program Length	Checkpoint(s)	Progress Report Due
1,000-hour programs (Barbering, Cosmetology)	450 hrs at 3.5 months; 900 hrs at 7 months	At each checkpoint
600-hour programs (Esthetician, Electrology, Body Art)	300 hrs at 3 months	At the checkpoint
400-hour program (Manicuring)	200 hrs	2 months from start date

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