



# Fashion Design A.A. Degree

FULL TIME

This program roadmap represents one possible pathway to complete the program. **Please see a counselor** to create an education plan that is customized to meet your needs. This roadmap is not a guarantee of course availability or financial aid applicability.

Catalog: 2025-26

GE Pattern: local AA/AS

Total Units: 63

Start Term: Spring

## First Year

### Semester 1 (Spring)

14 Units

CAT.	COURSE	UNIT	PREREQUISITES	GE AREA
Req	FASHN 300 Introduction to the Fashion Industry	3		
Req	FASHN 357 Apparel Construction I	3		
GE	ENGL C1000 Academic Reading and Writing or ENGL C1000H <sup>H</sup> Academic Reading and Writing - Honors	3 3		L1A
GE	MATH 300 Introduction to Mathematical Ideas	3		L2
GE	any Area L7B (Life Development Skills) course	2		L7B

### Semester 2 (Fall)

12 Units

CAT.	COURSE	UNIT	PREREQUISITES	GE AREA
Req	FASHN 310 Fashion Analysis/Clothing Selection	3		L3
Req	FASHN 358 Apparel Construction II	3	FASHN 357	
Req	FASHN 374 Pattern Making and Design	3	FASHN 357 or TA 430	
GE	any Area L4 (Social & Behavioral Sciences) course	3		L4

## Second Year

### Semester 3 (Spring)

12 Units

CAT.	COURSE	UNIT	PREREQUISITES	GE AREA
Req	FASHN 320 Textiles	3		
Req	FASHN 342 Fashion Illustration I	3		
Req	FASHN 378 Advanced Pattern Making and Design	3	FASHN 358 and 374	
GE	any Area L5 (Natural Sciences) course	3		L5

## CAREER PATH

### Career Options:

This degree prepares students for entry-level jobs in apparel production companies, apparel manufacturing plants, designer workrooms, and custom sewing workrooms. Examples of careers include:

- assistant designer
- CAD technician
- computer digitizer
- costing engineer
- designer
- design assistant
- fashion illustrator
- fashion stylist
- first pattern maker
- piece goods buyer
- product specialist
- production manager
- production pattern maker
- quality controller
- sales manager
- sample maker
- sewing room supervisor
- showroom assistant
- tailor
- textile colorist
- textile designer
- textile researcher & tester

## Semester 4 (Fall)

13 Units

CAT.	COURSE	UNIT	PREREQUISITES	GE AREA
Req	<b>FASHN 330</b> History of Western World Fashion	3		
Req	<b>FASHN 379</b> Draping	3	FASHN 374	
RE	<b>FASHN 380</b> Computer Patternmaking	3	FASHN 374	
GE	any Area L6 (Ethnic Studies) course	3		L6
GE	any Area L7A (Physical Education) course	1		L7A

## Third Year

### Semester 5 (Spring)

12 Units

CAT.	COURSE	UNIT	PREREQUISITES	GE AREA
Req	<b>FASHN 382</b> Collection Design and Production	3	FASHN 358, 378 and 379	
Req	<b>FASHN 344</b> Fashion Illustration II	3	FASHN 342	
Req	<b>FASHN 398</b> Fashion Entrepreneur	3		
GE	any Area L1B (Oral Communication & Critical Thinking) course	3		L1B

<sup>H</sup> honors courses

### EXPLANATION OF CATEGORIES

Req	Required Core	A course that is required for this program
GE	General Education	A course that fulfills a specific general education requirement for a degree, which can be replaced with another course that meets the same requirement
RE	Restricted Elective	A course selected from a list of elective courses specified for this program in the course list in the catalog, which can be replaced with another course from the same list

- trim buyer

### Advising Notes:

- This degree can be completed using either the [local AA/AS](#) general education (GE) pattern or the [Cal-G ETC](#) transfer GE pattern. [See a counselor](#) to determine which pattern is best for you based on your academic goals.
- Students can substitute ESLW 340 for ENGL C1000/C1000H (formerly known as ENGWR 300/480).

### Scheduling Notes:

- FASHN 330 and 379 are offered in the fall.
- FASHN 320, 344, 378, 382, and 398 are offered in the spring.
- FASHN 380 is offered every other fall (odd years).

### Other Notes:

- This program can be started in the fall as well. [See a counselor](#) to adjust the coursework.
- An internship (FASHN 498) is highly recommended as it opens up potential employment opportunities. Students can earn between 0.5 – 4.0 units for related paid or unpaid work experience including volunteer and internship positions through FASHN 498. This course also works toward satisfying GE Area L7B. See the [Work Experience website](#) for more information.