

Fashion Design and Development

Western Michigan University

College of Education and Human Development

75 Total Credits (No Minor Required; 122 Credit Hours Needed for Graduation)

WES	PRE-REQS	COURSES		CR HR
REQUIRED CORE COURSES				
		FCS 1260 The Fashion Industry		3
		FCS 1550 Design Principles		3
		FCS 2020 Field Experience (300 clock hrs) Apply at FCS Dept		3
		FCS 2200 Textiles (spring only)		3
	MATH 1100 with C or better OR ALEKS placement score of 40	FCS 2260 Fashion/Retail Buying (spring only)		3
	56+ hrs	FCS 3050 Professional Job Search Strategies (spring only)		3
		FCS 3260 History of Fashion (fall only)		3
	56+ hrs or instructor approval	FCS 3300 Entrepreneurship in FCS (fall only)		3
	FCS 1260; 2200; 2260 or 2220; 2300 or 2570; 88+ hrs	FCS 4220 Product Development (spring only)		3
	56+ hrs	FCS 5240 Socio-Psych Aspects of Dress (fall only)		3
Total Credits (30)				
REQUIRED COURSES				
Level I: Oral & Digital Comm		BUS 1750 Business Enterprise		3
Level I: Oral & Digital Comm OR Level II: Personal Wellness	Choose one:	COM 1040 Public Speaking COM 1700 Interpersonal Communication		3
		FCS 1240 Apparel Construction I (fall only)		3
	FCS 1240 with C or better	FCS 2240 Apparel Construction II (spring only)		3
	FCS 1240 with C or better	FCS 2220 Fashion Design Studio I (fall only)		3
	FCS 1550 & 2530, with Cs or better	FCS 2300 CAD for Fashion (fall only)		3
	FCS 1550 with C or better	FCS 2530 Fashion Illustration (spring only) *		3
	FCS 2220 & 2240, with Cs or better	FCS 3220 Fashion Design Studio II (spring only)		3
	FCS 1240, 2220, 2240 & 3220, with Cs or better	FCS 3330 Digital Patternmaking for Fashion (fall only)		3
	FCS 2240, 2300, 3220, & 3330 with Cs or better	FCS 4240 Apparel Line Development (spring only)		3
Total Credits (30)				
REQUIRED ELECTIVE COURSES: SELECT 12 CREDITS FROM THE FOLLOWING				
Level I: Inquiry & Engagement		FCS 1090 Envision a Sustainable Life		3
		FCS 2290 Fashion Merchandising (spring only)		3
		FCS 2090 Family Resource Management		3
Level III: Global Perspectives (DI)		FCS 3150 Global Ecology of the Family		3
	FCS 1550	FCS 3200 Visual Merchandising (fall only)		3
	FCS 1260; 2290; MKTG 2500	FCS 3290 Promotion in the Merch Environ (spring only)		3
	FCS 1260	FCS 3320 Apparel Sourcing and Mgmt (fall only)		3
	FCS 1260; 2260; 2290; MKTG 2500	FCS 4300 Merchandising Seminar (fall only)		3
	56+ hrs	FCS 5340 Consumer Behavior in Fashion (spring only)		3
	FCS 3320; 56+ hrs	FCS 5440 Global Aspects of Fashion (spring only)		3
		MGMT 2500 Organizational Behavior		3
	26+ hrs	MKTG 2500 Marketing Principles		3
RELATED EXPERIENTIAL ELECTIVES: 3 HOURS MINIMUM				
		FCS 2050 Topics in FCS (Fashion related)		1-3
	FCS 2020; 56+ hrs	FCS 4290 Internship (300-600 clock hours) Apply at FCS		3-6
	88+ hrs	FCS 5220 Topics in FCS (Fashion related)		1-3
	Department approval	FCS 5900 Projects/Problems in FCS		3
	Department approval	FCS 5980 Independent Study		1-6

Up to 18 credit hours may be applied toward the Fashion Merchandising and Design: Design & Development major by successful completion of 1-6 courses at one of our approved partner institutions. Student may enroll in pre-approved courses at Regents University Fashion School (London), Florence University of the Arts (Florence) or Fashion Institute of Technology (New York City), usually in the junior or senior year. Off-campus study courses must be planned and approved in advance. Tuition and room and board rates of partner institutions apply for off-campus options. See your academic advisor or program faculty for more information.

* FCS 2530 requires FCS 1550 w/a "C" or better catalog years 2025 and forward.