

APPAREL DESIGNER PROGRAM



Follow your dreams and become an apparel designer. By joining the certificate program, you get:

- Access to financial support, equipment and supplies
- First call on classes
- A place in PFI's annual fashion event and portfolio show
- Networking with industry professionals
- Career services

Completing these certificates gives you the right skills to enter an apparel business and opens the door to jobs at apparel companies.

Prerequisite

AD101	Beginning Sewing	36
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FIRST TERM CLOCK HRS

AD103	Apparel Construction	36
AD114*	Color Theory	18
AD117*	Fashion Illustration	36
AD128*	History of Fashion	18
AD129*	Inside the Fashion Industry	18
AD169*	Textiles	18
AD221	Patternmaking 1	36

SECOND TERM CLOCK HRS

AD118*	Digital Illustration (optional-6)	
AD201	Industrial Machine Sewing	18
	Intermediate Sewing (Choose 3):	54
	AD211 Casual Jackets	
	AD212 Womens Shirts	
	AD213 Womens Pants	
	AD214 Dresses	
	AD215 Menswear Shirts	
	AD216 Menswear Pants	
AD217	Knits	18
AD313	Activewear	18
AD231	Patternmaking 2	18
AD321	Patternmaking 3	18
AD261A*	Adobe Prep	6
AD261*	Adobe Illustrator	36
AD242	Draping	36

THIRD TERM CLOCK HRS

AD331	Patternmaking 4	36
ATD361*	Flats & Technical Packages	36

Classes are given in the order they should be taken so you can meet the required pre-requisites. With concentrated effort, it's possible to complete a certificate within two years' study. The full curriculum begins each Fall but you can start any time.

Here are the classes you need to start a life as an apparel designer. They also will prepare you for our annual career day events.

AD315	Lingerie	36
AD317	Couture Techniques	18
AD333	Fit & Pattern Alteration	18
AD335*	Graphic Design	18

FOURTH TERM CLOCK HRS

AD402*	Concept & Development	36
AD410	Tailoring	36
AD412	Advanced Pattern & Construction 1	36
AD413	Advanced Pattern & Construction 2	36
AD421/2*	Computer Patternmaking	36
AD461*	Portfolio	36

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AD311	Machine Knitting	
AD318	Corset & Bustier	
AD319	Petticoats	
AD411	Textile Design	
AD414	Outerwear	
AD415	Leatherworking	
AD417	Couture Dress	
AD418	Costume Design & Construction	
AD419	Swimwear	
AD420	Innovative Design	
AD421	Underwear Pattern & Construction	
AD423*	Sustainable Design	

Apparel business classes 36

(See Apparel Entrepreneur list)

AD490	Internship	90
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TOTAL HOURS: 942 clock/62.2 credit

* = online class Go to www.pfi.edu to read PFI & Coronavirus covid rules for in-person classes.

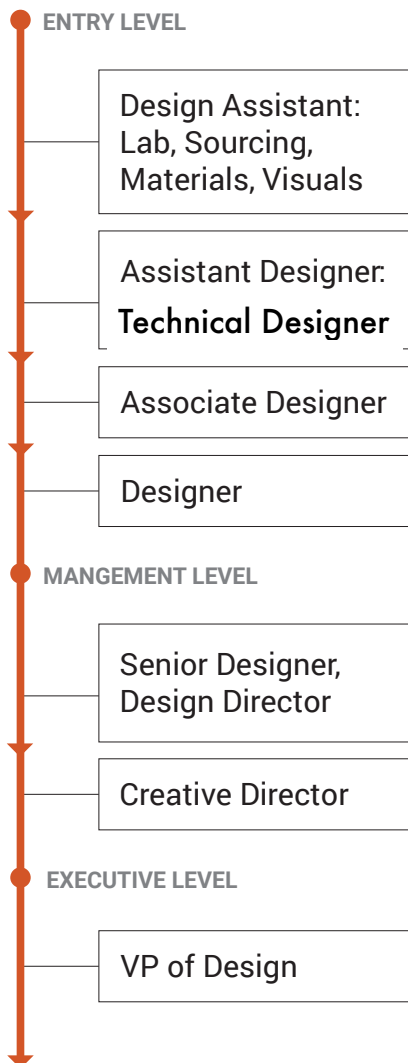
CAREER PATHS OF APPAREL DESIGNERS

Understand the typical career progression of apparel designers with our breakdown of options.



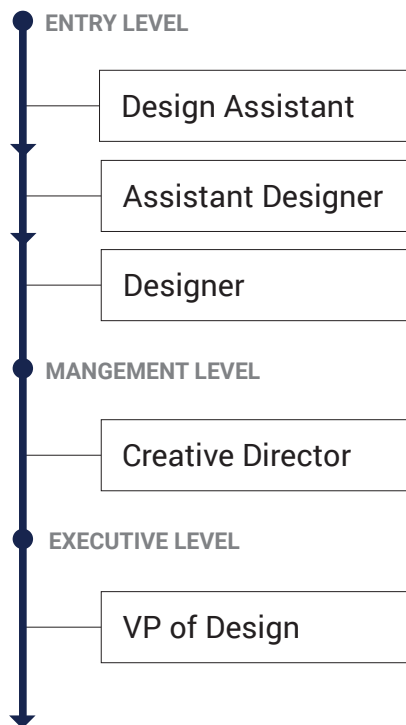
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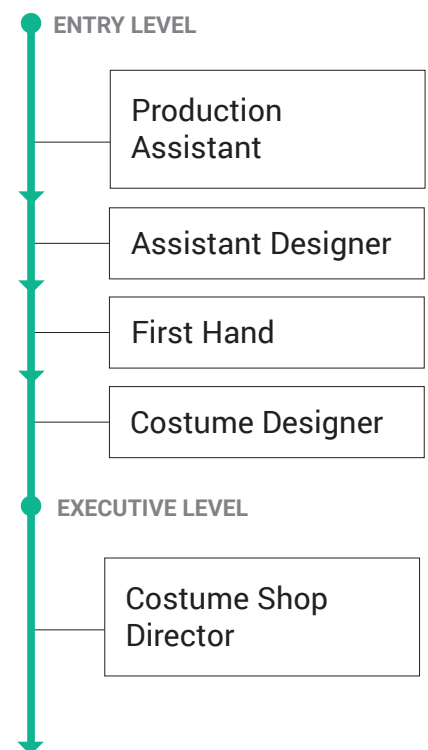
SMALL COMPANY

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COSTUME DESIGN

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We offer sewing classes for the beginner to the advanced stitcher wanting to learn something new, from sewing basics to patternmaking, draping, tailoring and couture. No matter the class, our job is to make sure you gain skills, create a project you like, build your confidence – and have a good time doing it!