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CLASS SCHEDULE

FALL 2024



Classes for fun. Classes for careers.
We are all things fashion.

SEWING, PATTERNMAKING, DESIGN, BUSINESS

With so many in-person and online classes, we have something for everyone.

HIGHLIGHTS

SEWING CLASSES, p 2-3

Beginning Sewing • Apparel Construction • Industrial Machine Sewing • Activewear • Jackets & Outerwear • EcoCouture • Knits • Pants & Jeans • Sergery • Splendid Mending

PATTERNMAKING CLASSES, p 4-5

Advanced Pattern • Draping • Fit & Pattern Alteration • Pattern Intro • Pattern Manipulation • Pattern Design • Pattern for Knits • Optitex 2D Patternmaking • Browzwear 3D Patternmaking

DESIGN CLASSES, p 5-7

Adobe for Fashion Design • AI & Fashion Design • Concept & Development • Machine Knitting • Flats & Technical Packages • Color Theory • Textiles

BUSINESS CLASSES, p 7-8

History of Fashion • Inside Fashion Industry • Materials Development • Product Development • Overseas Production • Retail Management • Supply Chain Management

SEWING CLASSES

Skills to last you a lifetime



BEGINNING SEWING \$365 FOR SERIES; \$135 each level (includes patterns & handouts)

Series dates Check the website for dates for individual levels. Six sessions from which to choose:
Mondays, September 16-December 2, 2-5 OR 6-9 pm OR Tuesdays, September 17-December 3, 2-5 OR 6-9 pm OR Fridays, September 20-December 13, 10 am-1 pm OR Saturdays, September 21-December 14, 10 am-1 pm

Learn basic stitches, techniques and how to use your machine while making an apron (Level 1), robe (Level 2) and pjs (Level 3). Step up your skills with each level. Learn to use commercial patterns, layout and cut fabric.

APPAREL CONSTRUCTION \$499 FOR SERIES; \$176 each level (includes patterns & handouts)

Series dates Check the website for dates for individual levels. Six sessions from which to choose:
Wednesdays, September 18-December 4, 10 am-1 pm OR 6-9 pm

Upgrade your skills. Start making clothes. Make an A-line skirt or man's Henley shirt with a zipper (Level 1), beach pants (Level 2) and day dress or camp shirt (Level 3). Make garments fit. Unlock the secrets of interfacing. Sew buttons, buttonholes.

INDUSTRIAL MACHINE SEWING \$289 (includes kit)

Tuesdays, September 17-October 22, 10 am-1 pm

Learn how to control these fast machines then come back and use them for your projects.

KNITS \$269 or \$512 with Activewear (includes patterns)

Fridays, September 20-October 25, 2-5pm OR Saturdays, September 21-October 26, 2-5 pm
Make a whole wardrobe as you learn to sew with confidence any knit from tops to dresses to cardigans and sweaters.

ACTIVWEAR \$269 or \$512 with Knits (includes patterns)

Fridays, November 1-December 13, 2-5 pm OR Saturdays, November 2-December 14, 2-5 pm
Sew and fit high-tech stretchy fabric to make a complete ensemble, ready for action. Start with hoodies. Move on to yoga pants or leggings. Finish with a sports bra or top.

SEWING CLASSES, continued

PANTS & JEANS \$269 or \$492 with **JACKETS & OUTERWEAR** (includes patterns)

Thursdays, September 19-October 24 , 10 am-1 pm OR 6-9 pm

Make a pair of pants that will flatter your figure! Choose from one of five styles. Learn all about fitting pants to you. Stitch four different kinds of seams, two kinds of zippers and four kinds of pockets.

JACKETS & OUTERWEAR \$269 OR \$512 with **PANTS & JEANS** (includes handouts, samples)

Thursdays, October 31-December 12, 10 am-1 pm OR 6-9 pm (no class Thanksgiving)

Choose from three styles to make a cool classic that's suitable for any season of Oregon weather. You'll learn how to work with denim, brocade and other thick fabrics, make bachelor buttons and buttonholes, add sport zippers.

ECO-COUTURE \$269 (includes handouts, samples)

Saturdays, November 2-December 14; 10 am-1 pm (no class Thanksgiving weekend)

Learn the principals behind the American made brand Alabama Chanin. Create your own garment using their feminine patterns, stenciling methods and time honored hand sewing and appliqué techniques on organic cotton knits.

SPLENDID MENDING \$269 (includes handouts, samples)

Saturdays, September 21-October 26, 10 am-1 pm

Renew your clothes! Discover methods to repair both knits and wovens in a beautifully visible way. Use Sashiko - Japanese-style stitching for creative patching, darning, re-knitting, needle felting and more. Let's make mending fun, not a chore!

SERGERY \$199 (includes patterns, handouts, sample fabrics)

Saturdays, November 2-23, 2-5 pm

Find out all your serger can do. Learn parts of a serger, how to thread and manage tensions and fix problems. Make a stitch notebook, tote bag, flatlock table runner and knit top. *Prereq: Sewing Experience*



Serger



Pants & Jeans



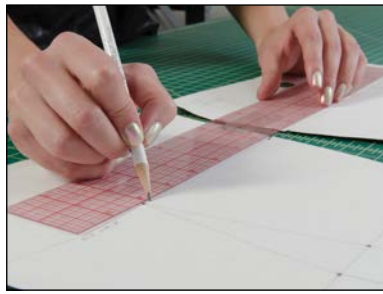
Casual Jackets



EcoCouture



Splendid Mending



Patternmaking 1,2,3



Pattern Knits



Computer Patternmaking

PATTERNMAKING CLASSES

Hands on, taught by experts

PATTERN INTRO (Pattern 1) \$685 for series OR \$359 each 6-session level (includes pattern paper)

Series: Thursdays, September 19-December 12, 10 am-1 pm OR 6-9 pm (no class Thanksgiving)

Here's the professional way to make patterns for personal use or to start life as a fashion designer.

Pattern Basics: Take measurements and use pattern rules to make tops for dresses, shirts, blouses.

Pattern Fit: Draft skirts, pants, sleeves. Unlock the mysteries of fit. Make your patterns work for you!

PATTERN MANIPULATION (Pattern 2) \$359 or \$685 with Pattern 3 (includes pattern paper)

Tuesdays, September 17-October 22, 10 am-1 pm OR 6-9 pm

Want to be a fashion designer? Here's where it happens. See how to manipulate your woven fabric slopers into various styles for bodices, sleeves, skirts and pants.

PATTERN DESIGN (Pattern 3) \$359 (includes pattern paper)

Tuesdays, October 29-December 3, 10 am-1 pm OR 6-9 pm

Bring in a picture or a sketch and make a pattern for that garment – just like the pros do.

PATTERN KNITS (Pattern 4) \$685 for series OR \$359 each 6-week class (includes pattern paper)

Wednesdays, September 18-December 4, 6-9 pm

Make patterns for tops, dresses, sweaters, activewear, bras, swimsuits, yoga pants & underwear.

For men too!

OPTITEX 2D COMPUTER PATTERNMAKING \$559 (includes license use during class + weekly extra tutoring session)

Saturday, September 21-October 26, 10 am-1 pm

Go from flat pattern to CAD (computer-aided design) – the industry way. Learn the most popular, easy-to-use computer pattern program. Then come back to use our equipment to plot your patterns.

BROWZWEAR 3-D PATTERNMAKING \$559 (includes license use during class + weekly extra tutoring session)

Saturdays, November 2-December 14, 10 am-1 pm (no class Thanksgiving weekend)

Learn VStitcher. Design garments from drawing through size ranges, graphics, fabrics, trims, colorways, styling and photorealistic 3D rendering without cutting & sewing. Create patterns digitally from first draft to tech pack.

DRAPING \$349 each level, \$628 for series

Mondays, September 16-December 2, 6-9 pm

Work with fabric in three dimensions on a dress form to turn your ideas into garments just like major designers. Arrange to create dresses, tops, skirts, coats and daring necklines. We provide professional dress forms during class so you can start designing your ideas!

ADVANCED PATTERN & CONSTRUCTION \$359

Saturday, September 21-December 14, 2-5 pm (no class Thanksgiving weekend)

Create your collection. Prerequisites: Pattern 3 & 4; Draping

FIT & PATTERN ALTERATION \$359

Wednesdays, September 18-October 23, 10 am-1 pm

Discover what makes for a flattering fit. Start with a commercial pattern. Learn your common fit issues and the tricks for adjusting your commercial patterns from here into eternity. Never have poorly fitting clothes again!

DESIGN CLASSES

Live your best creative life



Adobe



Concept & Development

ADOBE PREP [ONLINE] \$167

Wednesday & Thursday, September 11 & 12, 6-9 pm

A pre-requisite for Adobe Illustrator for Fashion Design. This course introduces you to the program, the tools and the workspace. Receive practice files and templates.

ADOBE ILLUSTRATOR [ONLINE] \$573

Wednesdays, September 18-December 4, 6-9 pm

It's the standard for any apparel business. See and draw garments using a computer and your Adobe program. Know Adobe like a boss.

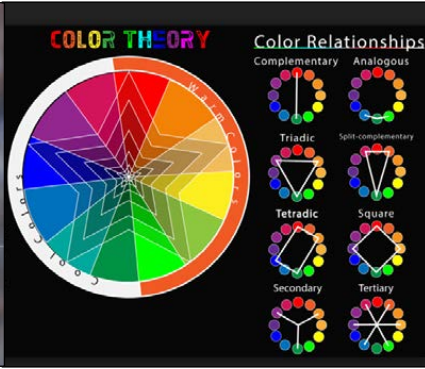
CONCEPT & DEVELOPMENT [ONLINE] \$573

Thursdays, September 19-December 12, 2-5 pm (no class Thanksgiving)

Design for a specific customer. Refine your progressions. Choose your fabrics, trims and colors. Critique your own work to define, edit and refine your collection. Leave with finished illustrations ready for a portfolio or to start patterning and sewing your collection.



Machine Knitting



Color Theory



Textiles

FLATS & TECHNICAL PACKAGES [ONLINE] \$573

Mondays, September 16-December 2, 6-9 pm

A must for anyone wanting to enter the apparel profession. Each week, you'll translate an illustration to a flat with a spec package – just as you would do on the job or to get your garments sewn.

AI & FASHION DESIGN \$269

Mondays, September 16-December 2, 6-9 pm

Artificial intelligence is quickly becoming a game-changer in the fashion industry. With AI you can expand your world and create ethical and innovative designs that appeal to your customers.

MACHINE KNITTING \$469

Thursdays, September 19-December 12, 6-9 pm (no class Thanksgiving)

Use our single bed machines to make garments in a few hours instead of months. Learn to cast-on, bind-off, do simple shaping, cables, ribbing, lace and 2 color patterns. Then go on to complicated shaping and contouring, linking, and make a sweater.

COLOR THEORY \$304 or \$538 if combined with TEXTILES

Mondays, October 28-December 2, 10 am-1 pm

Discover color and its implications for fashion designers, interior designers and artists.

TEXTILES: THE SECRET LIFE OF FABRIC \$294 or \$538 if combined with COLOR THEORY

Mondays, September 16-October 21, 6-9 pm

Learn to recognize fabric types as you are given swatches of fabrics to examine and test. Learn which fabrics to use, when, where and how. Make a notebook that will be your guide to better results.

FOOTWEAR

MATERIALS- FLAT KNITS



Materials Development

History of Fashion

Inside Fashion

BUSINESS CLASSES

Launch your fashion dreams

HISTORY OF FASHION [ONLINE] \$304 or \$538 if combined with Inside Fashion

Tuesdays, September 17-October 22, 6-9 pm

Where do designers get their ideas? How do they make these ideas a reality? History of Fashion gives you the answers. Meet who-is-who in the fashion world and do a little name-dropping.

INSIDE THE FASHION INDUSTRY [ONLINE] \$304 or \$538 if combined with History

Tuesdays, October 29-December 3, 10 am-1 pm

Get an overview of all the kinds of jobs available in the industry. Discover career opportunities both locally and farther afield. Speak the jargon of fashion.

MATERIALS DEVELOPMENT \$269 or \$512 if combined with PRODUCT DEVELOPMENT

Wednesdays, September 18-October 23, 6-9 pm

You can't patent a design but you can patent a textile or a component. Learn how to create your own and how to use them. These are the hot new jobs in the apparel industry! Understand how fiber-based products are manufactured, with a practical view of how to combine new elements such as polymers, dyes, ceramics and nanotechnology with fibers for unique new products.

PRODUCT DEVELOPMENT \$304

Wednesdays, October 30-December 4, 6-9 pm

Take your idea from start to finish and improve your odds for creating a successful product. Use the same path in the hands of a seasoned product developer.

OVERSEAS PRODUCTION [ONLINE] \$304 or \$538 if combined with Supply Chain

Thursdays, September 19-October 24, 6-9 pm

Sooner or later, all apparel companies look into manufacturing some or all of their products outside of the United States. But if you're going to do it, better know how to do it right. Manufacturing offshore can reduce the cost of production, help get a product to market faster and reduce delivery costs. End this class with a game plan for yourself or your employer.



Retail Management



Overseas Production



Product Development

SUPPLY CHAIN MANAGEMENT [ONLINE] \$304 or \$538 if combined with Overseas

Thursdays, October 31-December 12, 6-9 pm (no class Thanksgiving)

In this class, you will learn how the real world works: How modern global supply chains and logistics networks operate. How to make changes that work for you. How to steer clear of import/export regulations. How to manage legal, ethical, economic and social implications in your sourcing decisions and get your product into your hands on time.

RETAIL MANAGEMENT [ONLINE] \$573

Tuesdays, September 17-December 3, 6-9 pm

Set up a successful store - online or in-store. Get into the business of fashion apparel retailing. Examine forecasting and purchasing techniques and buying methods. Create a merchandise assortment plan complete with store layout and a supporting a six month financial plan and a marketing plan. You will learn to display your product to tell a compelling story. You will then manage profitability and have a solid understanding of retail math.



Scenes from

PFI Sunday in the Park Graduate Fashion Show July 2024 (L-R): Lorelie Boga (Lorelei Rose), Luz Gonzales (Luza Rico), Kelli McDonough (inkthethink), Maggie Greene (Peregrine), Grace Larsell +Innovative Design & Costume Design collections

Did you miss it? Want to relive the show? Visit @portlandfashioninstitute on Instagram