

Fashion

Creativity should be a given when you are studying Fashion, but at Leicester College we believe the vocational aspect of a course is equally crucial.

You will develop both creative and vocational skills to equip you for working in the world of fashion and costume.

Previous learners have found employment in diverse areas including wardrobe departments or costume props departments for television, theatre or stage, or gone on to "top-up" to a full BA (Hons) Degree.

The Fashion department has excellent links with industry, and offers opportunities for you to engage in industry placements and visit key employers.

Previous learners have worked with Asda's fashion label George on live briefs. The links with industry are reinforced with the use of guest speakers.

Being a breeding ground for creative thinking, a huge part of the Fashion department's culture is allowing you the freedom to let your imagination run wild.



Emily Marshall – Foundation Degree in Fashion Costume

Emily took a National Diploma in Contemporary Cultural Fashion at Leicester College after finding she was not enjoying doing A2 levels. Success in this course led to Emily progressing onto the Foundation Degree in Fashion Costume at the College.

By taking these courses, Emily has developed her industry-based learning, improved the quality of her work, and built up her portfolio.

She has also had the opportunity to take work experience placements in Saville Row and for two weeks with George at ASDA. She now wants to secure a role with a major fashion company on completion of her course.

Emily said: "I feel everyone should have some vocational skills. Leicester College offers quality learning to everyone, in a friendly, versatile environment."



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Foundation Degree in Fashion Costume



This course is a creative and vocationally relevant course equivalent to the first two years of a BA (Hons) Degree. It prepares you for career paths in the fashion and costume industries.

Full-time

UCAS Code	L36 WJ24
Course Starts	September
Course Length	Two Years
Location	St. Margaret's Campus

You will complete four modules in year one. They cover academic practice, practical and creative skills. Contextual study is explored through a series of lectures and seminars. In addition guest speakers support the fashion and costume industries module. Design projects are industry linked and specialist staff deliver production modules in our well resourced workshop and studios.

In year two a greater sense of independent study is required with further development of your specialist skills culminating in a final collection and Fashion Show.

To ensure currency with industry you will be required to complete an independently sourced work placement.

What do I need to start?

GCSE English grade C or equivalent (without this you will be asked to complete a Literacy test) plus 80 UCAS points to include either:

- Art and Design Foundation
- a relevant Access to HE course
- National Diploma/NVQ level 3 in a relevant subject
- A2 level in an Art and Design subject.

A portfolio of work is required at interview.

We welcome applications from adult learners who do not match the standard entry requirements but who can demonstrate commitment to studying this subject at University level, and who can evidence academic or vocational experience in a related field.

International learners please see page 102.

How long is the course?

Two years, full-time.

How will I be assessed?

Assessment is continuous throughout the course.

What is the fee?

The fee is currently under evaluation and yet to be confirmed. Please call 0116 224 2240 for the latest fee information.

Who is the awarding body?

Coventry University. Please see Associate Universities page 112.

What else do I need to know?

Guest speakers share their experience and industrial visits to the sector are arranged. An annual visit to the Royal Shakespeare Theatre expands your knowledge of costume production and related careers. A study residential to Florence is scheduled.

You will be required to attend trips and trade shows.

What can I do next?

You can "top-up" by joining the final year of the BA (Hons) Fashion Degree at Coventry University providing you attend a successful interview.

You may also apply to other universities to "top-up" to other related degrees.

Careers are varied and range from; costume assistant for Stage, TV and Film, to freelance designer, cutter and maker. Opportunities also exist in buying, marketing and retail sectors of the industry.

How do I apply?

Please apply to UCAS at www.ucas.com



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