FASH 139 Course Outline as of Summer 2022

CATALOG INFORMATION

Dept and Nbr: FASH 139 Title: FASHION ENTREPRENEURSHIP

Full Title: Fashion Entrepreneurship

Last Reviewed: 9/26/2022

Units		Course Hours per Week	•	Nbr of Weeks	Course Hours Total	
Maximum	3.00	Lecture Scheduled	3.00	17.5	Lecture Scheduled	52.50
Minimum	3.00	Lab Scheduled	0	6	Lab Scheduled	0
		Contact DHR	0		Contact DHR	0
		Contact Total	3.00		Contact Total	52.50
		Non-contact DHR	0		Non-contact DHR	0

Total Out of Class Hours: 105.00 Total Student Learning Hours: 157.50

Title 5 Category: AA Degree Applicable

Grading: Grade or P/NP

Repeatability: 00 - Two Repeats if Grade was D, F, NC, or NP

Also Listed As:

Formerly: FASH 58

Catalog Description:

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Prerequisites/Corequisites:

Recommended Preparation:

Eligibility for ENGL 100 or ESL 100

Limits on Enrollment:

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ARTICULATION, MAJOR, and CERTIFICATION INFORMATION:

AS Degree: Area Effective: Inactive: CSU GE: Transfer Area Effective: Inactive:

IGETC: Transfer Area Effective: Inactive:

CSU Transfer: Effective: Inactive:

UC Transfer: Effective: Inactive:

CID:

Certificate/Major Applicable:

Both Certificate and Major Applicable

COURSE CONTENT

Student Learning Outcomes:

At the conclusion of this course, the student should be able to:

- 1. Explain the legal aspects of business ownership.
- 2. Explain the terminology and manufacturing processes used in the garment industry.
- 3. Determine the parameters of a successful business.
- 4. Develop a plan for setting up a small fashion enterprise.

Objectives:

Upon completion of the course, students will be able to:

- 1. Analyze the viability and uniqueness of a design idea.
- 2. Establish the costs of prototypes, samples, and production of garment/accessory designs.
- 3. Develop a pricing list for services as well as goods.
- 4. Analyze the marketing issues and costs to sell a fashion product.
- 5. Identify and evaluate the various licenses, permits, taxes, fees, and insurance necessary to legally operate as a garment/accessory manufacturer.
- 6. Explain the functions and illustrate the uses of accountants, enrolled agents, bookkeepers, attorneys, SCORE (Service Core of Retired Executives), and the SBA (Small Business Association).
- 7. Explain the differences among and definitions of trademark, registered trade name, copyright, design patent, and letters of protection.
- 8. Explain garment manufacturing terminology and the garment designing and manufacturing process.
- 9. Explain the parameters of staying in business: sales, quality, on-time shipping, customer service, ratio of repeat to new customers, etc.
- 10. Identify and explain the ways in which payment is made to manufacturers to their suppliers, contractors and suppliers.
- 11. Prepare a viable business plan.
- 12. Prepare a viable sales and marketing plan.
- 13. Develop a plan for setting up an office and production facility.

Topics and Scope:

- I. Evaluation of skills and product or service for development
 - A. Manufacturer/entrepreneur quotient
 - 1. Skills and personal availability
 - 2. Commitment to design idea
 - 3. Marketing realities
 - B. Product or service in the marketplace
 - 1. Market research
 - 2. Product research
 - 3. Sourcing and costing
- II. Defining and protecting the image and form of company and product
 - A. Business plan
 - B. Business identity and logo
 - C. Protecting your business name, logo, and creativity; trademarks; copyright; design patent
 - D. Sole proprietorship, partnership, or corporation
 - E. Business licenses, permits, and sales tax
- F. Understand support offered by accountants, enrolled agents, bookkeepers, attorneys, SCORE, and the SBA.
 - G. Office and design/production facility set up and organization
- III. Production design
 - A. Product line
 - B. Prototype, patterns, and pattern makers
 - C. The fabric and trim search
 - D. Manufacturing services, licenses, and registration
 - E. Contractors vs. in-house production
- IV. Costing
 - A. Initial costing based on time and material
 - B. Cost sheets
- V. Sales and promotional tools for selling your product
 - A. Selling seasons
 - B. Line sheets and samples for selling purposes
 - C. Social Media
 - D. Direct and indirect sales, sales reps, road sales, & trade shows
 - E. Sales and marketing plan
- VI. Producing your product and staying in business
 - A. How to decide what and how much to manufacture
 - B. The basic steps to manufacture what you have sold
 - C. Quality control
- VII. Product distribution, management, and payment
 - A. Inventory management
 - B. Shipping
 - C. Collecting your money

Assignment:

- 1. Notebook of personal goals and resources to turn a fashion design idea into profit
- 2. Oral report (1) on business, market and production related issues
- 3. Written business plan
- 4. Class Project: take a design idea step by step from inception to retail, including costing
- 5. Three business/market research reports
- 6. Reading of approximately 20 pages per week from text
- 7. Four to six tests

Methods of Evaluation/Basis of Grade:

Writing: Assessment tools that demonstrate writing skills and/or require students to select, organize and explain ideas in writing.

Notebook, 3 business/market research reports

Writing 1 - 35%

Problem Solving: Assessment tools, other than exams, that demonstrate competence in computational or non-computational problem solving skills.

Business plan, class project, oral report, 3 business/market research reports.

Problem solving 30 - 65%

Skill Demonstrations: All skill-based and physical demonstrations used for assessment purposes including skill performance exams.

None

Skill Demonstrations 0 - 0%

Exams: All forms of formal testing, other than skill performance exams.

Four to six tests

Exams 15 - 20%

Other: Includes any assessment tools that do not logically fit into the above categories.

Attendance and class participation

Other Category 15 - 20%

Representative Textbooks and Materials:

The Fashion Designer Survival Guide, by Mary Gehler. Revised & Expanded Edition, published by Kaplan, 2008 (classic).