

CATALOG INFORMATION

Dept and Nbr: FASH 70A      Title: CLOTHING CONSTRUCTION 1  
Full Title: Clothing Construction 1  
Last Reviewed: 5/10/2021

Units		Course Hours per Week		Nbr of Weeks	Course Hours Total	
Maximum	3.00	Lecture Scheduled	2.00	17.5	Lecture Scheduled	35.00
Minimum	1.50	Lab Scheduled	3.50	6	Lab Scheduled	61.25
		Contact DHR	0		Contact DHR	0
		Contact Total	5.50		Contact Total	96.25
		Non-contact DHR	0		Non-contact DHR	0

Total Out of Class Hours: 70.00

Total Student Learning Hours: 166.25

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: CLTX 70A

**Catalog Description:**  
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**Prerequisites/Corequisites:**

**Recommended Preparation:**

**Limits on Enrollment:**

**Schedule of Classes Information:**  
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Recommended:  
Limits on Enrollment:  
Transfer Credit: CSU;  
Repeatability: Two Repeats if Grade was D, F, NC, or NP

## **ARTICULATION, MAJOR, and CERTIFICATION INFORMATION:**

<b>AS Degree:</b>	<b>Area</b>	Effective:	Inactive:
<b>CSU GE:</b>	<b>Transfer Area</b>	Effective:	Inactive:
<b>IGETC:</b>	<b>Transfer Area</b>	Effective:	Inactive:
<b>CSU Transfer:</b>	Transferable	Effective: Fall 1981	Inactive:
<b>UC Transfer:</b>		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. Identify and discuss the basic parts and function of a sewing machine.
2. Identify and discuss appropriate pattern, fabric, and notions choices of a beginning sewing project.
3. Identify and execute simple alterations to a commercial pattern to insure proper fit.
4. Demonstrate basic sewing ability by constructing a garment using a commercial pattern.

### **Objectives:**

Upon successful completion of this course, students will be able to:

1. Identify, select, and care for cotton and/or cotton woven blend fabric.
2. Interpret and apply the correct vocabulary and terminology related to basic and clothing construction.
3. Interpret pattern symbols and accurately alter a basic pattern.
4. Apply critical thinking skills to interpret the pattern instruction sheet to accurately lay out and construct an article of clothing.
5. Operate a sewing machine, iron, and small sewing equipment safely and efficiently.
6. Recognize the importance of interfacing and select the proper type and application process.
7. Demonstrate the ability to:
  - a. Mark and use pattern symbols appropriately.
  - b. Use various types of seams and seam finishes appropriately.
  - c. Construct darts, pockets, facings, collars, cuffs, waistbands, gathers, hems, buttonholes, sleeves.
  - d. Attach pockets, facings, buttons, and other fasteners, collars, sleeves, cuffs, zippers.
8. Construct a technique shirt and one garment.

### **Topics and Scope:**

Topics will include but not be limited to:

- I. Pattern selection and alterations
  - A. Body and pattern measurements
  - B. Basic pattern alterations
- II. Fabric selection and preparation
  - A. Fabrics suitable for beginners (cotton or cotton blends)
  - B. Preshrinking and tentering
- III. Pattern layout, cutting, and marking
  - A. Basic sewing equipment and notions
  - B. Use of pattern instruction sheet
- IV. Use of sewing machine and equipment
  - A. Threading and stitching.
  - B. Pressing techniques and equipment
- V. Basic construction techniques
  - A. Interfacings
  - B. Darts
  - C. Pockets
  - D. Gathers
  - E. Facings, collars
  - F. Zippers
  - G. Sleeves, cuffs, and bands
  - H. Hems (machine and hand techniques)
  - I. Buttons, buttonholes, and fasteners
  - J. Staystitching, topstitching, understitching, stitch in the ditch

### **Assignment:**

1. Construct a technique shirt and a final project projects according to class guidelines:
  - a. Skirt, or shorts with a sew-on waistband and zipper (centered or lapped, or waistline with casing).
  - b. Blouse, shirt, or dress.
2. Prepare approximately 15-20 samples of techniques demonstrated in class, including hand stitches, machine stitching, dart, types of seams and seam finishes, collar, facing, waistband (optional), button and buttonhole, zipper, hems (hand and machine), pockets, gathers, fastener.
3. Determine amount of fabric to buy using size, style, nap, and width of fabric.
4. Two quizzes; final exam.
5. Read from text 10-15 pages per week

### **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.

None, This is a degree applicable course but assessment tools based on writing are not included because problem solving assessments and skill demonstrations are more appropriate for this course.

Writing  
0 - 0%

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

Homework problems to include working on projects and samples.

Problem solving  
5 - 15%

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

Samples, projects.

Skill Demonstrations  
35 - 70%

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

Multiple choice, True/false, Matching items, Completion, Essay

Exams  
15 - 25%

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

Participation.

Other Category  
10 - 25%

### **Representative Textbooks and Materials:**

Required: Readers' Digest Complete Guide to Sewing. The Readers' Digest Association. 2011.

Optional: Sewing Essentials. Cy De Cosse Incorporated. Singer 1998 (classic).

Optional: Sewing for Style. Cy De Cosse Incorporated. Singer 1985 (classic).

Optional: Sewing Pants That Fit. Cy De Cosse Incorporated. Singer 1989 (classic).