

Program Roadmap: Is this program right for you?

About You

- You love fashion and have a keen interest in everything from design to all the details of a garment.
- You're creative and interested in acquiring hands-on training in sewing, pattern drafting, illustration and more.
- You have excellent fine motor skills and eyesight.
- You have some sewing experience and your own sewing machine (or access to one).



Are you ready?

- To learn both sewing and drafting in order to progress through the program.
- To attend and be on time for classes/labs (70% minimum attendance is required in order to progress through the program).
- To reduce the number of hours you work part-time outside the program to accommodate your class workload/schedule.
- To invest in the practice and preparation time necessary to hone your craft. You will need to manage your personal time to complete your assignments using college labs and equipment.

Did you know?

- There's more to fashion than haute couture. Our program centres around the current reality of the industry, which is focused on ready-to-wear garments for women with real lives.

Chart Your Path Success

	1 st Year (or Semester 1+2)	2 nd Year (or Semester 3+4)
Academic Experience	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 11 required courses • 1 elective • Plus any additional courses required based on placement test results* 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 11 required courses • 1 program specific elective • 1 general elective • Includes: Field Education option
Industry Connections	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 4th semester students participate in Threads: a year-end showcase and industry networking event, with a fashion show and portfolio display. • Students are encouraged to participate in events and take advantage of volunteer opportunities with key industry organizations including: Toronto Fashion Incubator¹(TFI); Fashion Group International²(FGI); Canadian Apparel Federation³; Retail Council of Canada⁴; Toronto Fashion Week and others. • All students are encouraged to take advantage of opportunities to connect with industry leaders at regular Lunch & Learn sessions held throughout the year. 	
Preparation Tips	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • If you don't already know how to sew, we recommend you learn the basics. • Familiarize yourself with MS Word and Excel. • Register on STU-VIEW⁵ for a mandatory in-person English placement test and for your courses. • Set up your georgebrown.ca email. This is how the college will keep in touch with you. • Get your student ID card. It gives you access to many college services and activities, including the Library Learning Commons. • Apply for financial aid and scholarships. 	

*Extra fees may apply

Other Services

The [Current Student](#)⁶ page has information about available services and activities including: [Athletics](#)⁷ (including clubs & recreation), [Student Life](#)⁸ activities (including the [Student Leadership Academy](#)⁹), [Counselling](#)¹⁰, [Accessible Learning Services](#)¹¹, [Library Learning Commons](#)¹², [tutoring](#)¹³, [peer coaching](#)¹⁴, [technical support](#)¹⁵ and more.



Need career support?

Jump-start your job search with [Career Services](#)¹⁸ and [Career Coach](#)¹⁹. The Career Services centre offers support to students before, during and after their studies.

- Identify your strengths and develop your career skills.
- Use our online tools and interactive workshops to build your resume, cover letter and interview skills.
- Work one-on-one with a Career Advisor to start your career development.

Still unsure?

We can help you find the program that's right for you. Contact an Entry Advisor at 416-415-5000, ext. 2949 or collegeadvisor@georgebrown.ca.

Book an appointment using the [Entry Advising Client Intake Form](#)²⁰.

For inquiries related to F113 contact Program Co-ordinator: Rosa Fracassa ext. 2997 or rfracass@georgebrown.ca.

Program Highlights

- Annual Fashion Show and Portfolio Studio provides the opportunity to showcase your work to industry professionals and build your network.
- Field Education course option available to qualified students. Speak to your Program Co-ordinator for details.

About Us

- Our downtown Toronto campus provides students access to state-of-the-art industrial equipment.
- We encourage you to participate in national and international competitions. Past students have excelled in: Creativ Catwalk; Telio; Triumph Lingerie; High Visibility; Fur Remix; Cashmere; DHL and others.
- We also encourage you to explore applied research opportunities. Past projects have included: prototype development, a virtual reality jacket, health care worker uniforms and more.
- Our expert faculty teach students the fundamentals of design and equip them with hard and soft skills that will make them competitive in the fashion business after graduation.

What's Next

This program is ideal for individuals with a love of fashion and a desire to be involved in the industry at various stages of creating a fashion line, from initial design concept to final product.

Graduates typically become members of a team in roles that might include:

- trend forecasting
- drafting specifications
- preparation for production

Graduates have had successful careers as:

- Assistant Designers
- Stylists
- Patternmakers
- Samplermakers
- Graders
- Technical Illustrators

Workplaces range from small design studios to large manufacturing companies. In the last 40 years, graduates have also developed into entrepreneurs in design, sewing and fashion-supply businesses.

Want more training?

Graduates may be eligible for admission to George Brown postgraduate programs, including [Apparel Technical Design](#)²¹ (F414) and [Sustainable Fashion Production](#)²² (F415).

Students who successfully complete this program with a grade point average of 3.5 or higher may be eligible for admission into fashion programs at other post-secondary institutions.

For further information, see georgebrown.ca/transferguide



Links Reference

¹<http://www.fashionincubator.com/>

²<http://www.fgitoronto.org/>

³<http://www.apparel.ca/>

⁴<https://www.retailcouncil.org/>

⁵<http://stuvview.georgebrown.ca/>

⁶<https://www.georgebrown.ca/current-students/>

⁷<https://www.georgebrown.ca/athletics/>

⁸<https://www.georgebrown.ca/studentlife/>

⁹<https://www.georgebrown.ca/studentleadershipacademy/>

¹⁰<https://www.georgebrown.ca/current-students/counselling/>

¹¹<https://www.georgebrown.ca/accessible-learning-services/>

¹²<https://www.georgebrown.ca/lc/>

¹³<https://www.georgebrown.ca/tlc/>

¹⁴<https://www.georgebrown.ca/peerconnect/>

¹⁵<https://www.georgebrown.ca/lc/technology/techhelp/>

¹⁶<https://www.georgebrown.ca/programs/apparel-technical-design-postgraduate-certificate-program-f414/>

¹⁷<https://www.georgebrown.ca/programs/sustainable-fashion-production-postgraduate-certificate-program-f415/>

¹⁸<https://www.georgebrown.ca/careerservices/>

¹⁹<https://georgebrown.emsicc.com/?radius=@ion=Toronto>

²⁰<https://www.georgebrown.ca/advising/contactform/>

²¹<https://www.facebook.com/georgebrowncollege>

²²<http://www.twitter.com/GBCollege>

²³<http://www.instagram.com/gbcollege/>

²⁴<http://www.youtube.com/user/georgebrowncollege>

²⁵<https://www.georgebrown.ca/mobileapps/>

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