



WESTERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY

Lansing Community College

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Western Michigan University Fashion Merchandising & Fashion Design and Development Curriculum Guide

Introduction: The fashion merchandising and design majors prepare students for careers in the dynamic, fast-paced fashion industry. Students gain knowledge about the industry processes and products, and focus their studies in merchandising or design and development to achieve specific career goals. Experiential and study abroad opportunities supplement a strong curriculum to assure that graduates can succeed in a culturally diverse and global industry.

- Click [here](#) to see how our alumni have transformed their “passion for fashion” into challenging and creative careers;
- The **Fashion Design and Development major** includes courses in apparel construction, pattern making and computer aided design, supplemented by studies in business and merchandising;
- The **Fashion Merchandising major** includes courses in retail buying and management, visual merchandising, promotion and entrepreneurship, as well as 18 credit hours in the Haworth College of Business;
- Students in both majors have the option to complete up to 24 credit hours at The Fashion Institute of Technology in New York; The Regents University of London, England; or The Florence University of Arts in Florence, Italy. Check with the College of Education and Human Development (CEHD) Advising Office for details.

Required courses that may be taken at LCC toward either major:

WMU courses

FCS 1260
FCS 1550
FCS 2200
FCS 2260
FCS 2300
FCS 3200
CIS 1020
BUS 1750
COM 1040 or 1700

LCC courses

FASH 120
FASH 103 or 135
FASH 185
FASH 260
FASH 240
FASH 144
CITF 110
BUSN 118
SPCH 130 or 140

MKTG 2500
MGMT 2500

MKTG 200
MGMT 228

Courses specifically required for Fashion Merchandising:

ACTY 2100 ACCG 210

Courses specifically required for Fashion Design and Development:

FCS 1240 FASH 160

General education requirements:

Click on this link for [WMU general education requirements](#).

Important Comments:

- The Fashion Merchandising major requires 69 credits in the major, and no minor;
- The Design and Development major requires 75 credits for the major, and no minor;
- To declare a Fashion Merchandising, or a Design and Development major, students must visit the College of Education and Human Development (CEHD) Office of Admissions and Advising (see contact information below);
- The CEHD Office of Admissions and Advising assists students in planning their studies. Majors should meet with an advisor each semester to ensure that they stay on track toward graduation;
- Visit the [Fashion Merchandising and Design department website](#) for more information;
- Prospective students may arrange a department visit by contacting Dr. Barbara Frazier or Ms. Kelly Weathers (see contact information below).

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Advising for FMD majors, and for questions about general education:

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(269) 387-3474