

STUDIES IN FASHION AND DESIGN COGNATE

<https://cola.unh.edu/theatre-dance/program/cognate/studies-fashion-design>

Description

The studies in fashion and design cognate offers students a foundation for developing the basic skills to enter the field of fashion design. It introduces the art behind the creation of apparel and the basics of marketing strategy connected to fashion design. Students will be educated to develop their own creative process and design method while learning the basic knowledge of marketing and personal business. The cognate prepares students with a means to combine their artistic vision with practical application and helps them become designers who have the skills to support their own artistries.

Students complete coursework selected from three groups:

1. **Design Creation:** Helps students to adapt their artistic skills to support conceptual ideas. It gives students the abilities in creating, analyzing, constructing and presenting works for costume creation. It aims to guide students in developing their own working process with a critical approach to problem solving. Students will be able to use terminology to communicate ideas in the fashion design industry.
2. **Design Skills:** Gives students the options to understand and apply a skill class of their choice to helps students articulate their design ideas visually and digitally. It aims to offer students with the options to create visual merchandising for their design works through rendering hand skills, graphic design software, or photography.
3. **Marketing:** Helps students to understand and incorporate the business aspect into their creative works. It aims to prepare students to promote and sustain their creative works independently as a personal business or within retail organizations.

Requirements

Student must complete three courses (12 credits), one course in each group listed below.

Code	Title	Credits
Design Creation (select one of the following)		4
THDA 546	Costume Design for the Theatre	
THDA 458	Costume Construction	
Design Skills (select one of the following)		4
ARTS 510	Principles of Design	
ARTS 552	Introductory Digital Photography	
THDA #651	Rendering for the Theatre	
Marketing (select one of the following)		4
MKTG 530	Survey of Marketing	
MKTG 547	Promotion and Advertising	
MKTG 649	Foundations of Personal Selling	
Total Credits		12