Ravensbourne University London

Unit Title	Major Project Development and Realisation Level 6	
FHEQ Level		
Unit Code	FAS18304	
Credit Value	30 Credits	
Unit Type	Subject	

Learning Hours				
Staff – Student Contact Hours		Independent Study Hours		
Classes	25	Independent Study	80	
Supervised access to resources	35	Preparation for Assessment	40	
		Unsupervised Access to Resources	120	
Total			300	

Unit Description

The Major Project Realisation unit represents the final stage of the programme. This unit is complemented and informed by the Concept Research and Prototyping unit. The output of this unit represents the physical embodiment of original ideas, development and professional career aspirations.

Students on both pathways will have an opportunity, and be expected to critically evaluate all aspects of 2D research and development together with 3D sampling and prototyping in order to refine and execute fully resolved, market relevant contemporary fashion design solutions.

Alongside the creative process, students will re-evaluate and revise their written and visual research report 'statement of intent' to redirect, update and reinforce important areas such as research/concept, USP, consumer profile/target market, competitors and market level.

The Five Principles underpin the Mindsets and Skillsets Manifesto and are the foundation upon which all course curriculum frameworks and unit specifications are based. The relevant Principles as stated below have been mapped against the Learning Outcomes relevant to each course unit and at each level (see Programme Specifications for full description of the Five Principles):

- 1. Cultivate / Where the individual thrives.
- 2. Collaborate / Where disciplines evolve.
- 3. Integrate / Where education engages industry.
- 4. Advocate / Where purpose meets practice.
- 5. Originate / creativity meets technology.

Unit Indicative Content

Industry Innovation Pathway and Ready to Wear Pathway

Statement of Intent update

Developing / Refining of client design brief

Research, Concept development and presentation Design Development and Range Planning Refinement Creative and experimental sampling and prototyping Refining the line up Colour and Fabric research: Refine, Edit and Application Silhouette and Proportion: Refine, Edit and Application Flat Pattern cutting Creative Pattern Cutting Application of digital tools for silhouette and lay planning Garment construction and finishings Sampling and toiling Outfit fittings Student Learning Agreement

Unit Aims

To enable students to produce fully resolved contemporary fashion design solutions in 2D and 3D

To enable students to interrogate and critically assess their discipline and hone a personal design signature so that they can identify their market positioning.

To enable students to interrogate and re-evaluate design proposals through a series of exploratory studies in order to edit, refine and select garment designs for a coherent final line up.

To prepare students to produce a range of fully resolved sample prototypes through a series of critically evaluated outfit fittings and construction processes.

To prepare and equip students with honed transferable industry skills, knowledge and experience in readiness to enter a highly competitive world of fashion.

To present resolved final outcomes to industry experts and peers.

Unit Learning Outcomes

LO 2 Concept/Ideation

Critically appraise and evaluate appropriate research materials to generate workable concepts or strategic project themes that inform and underpin project development.

Related Principle: ORIGINATE

LO 4 (Pre) Production

Demonstrate systematic working knowledge, production skills, selection, application and understanding of a selection of processes, materials and methods that inform creative and academic practice.

Related Principle: COLLABORATE

LO 5 Presentation /Storytelling For Influence

Communicate projects creatively and professionally, whether in visual, oral or written form. Methods of presentation are appropriate to the audience/client and the purpose of the work.

Related Principle: ADVOCATE

LO 6 Critical and creative mindsets

Evaluate a range of critical approaches in order to form an independent position

Related Principle: ORIGINATE

LO 7 Employability

Effectively employ professional transferable and employability skills, including the ability to manage time and work to clear briefs and deadlines, respond to set goals, and communicate effectively.

Related Principle: CULTIVATE

LO 8 Professional Identity

Align your professional identity as a practitioner with a viable career context.

Related Principle: CULTIVATE

Learning and Teaching Methods
Briefings
Lectures
Project work
Workshops
Tutorials
Outfit Reviews and Fittings
Individual Presentations and Critiques
Self Directed Independent Study
Assessment methods and tasks

Assessment methods and tasks			
Brief description of assessment methods			
Formative Assessment.			
Summative Assessment to include Presentation and Critique			
Assessment tasks	Weighting (100% of the unit)		
Portfolio of Evidence to Include:	This unit is assessed holistically		
Revised Statement of Intent			
Research Journal and Concept/design			
development			
2D Concept and Collection Presentation			
CAD: Technical Specification Drawings			

Final Patterns	
Fitting File & Evaluation	
Development toiles and samples	
Fully Resolved Final 3D Prototype/s &	
Presentation	

Indicative Assessment Criteria

Assessment criteria are the basis on which the judgment of the adequacy of the work is made. A more detailed assessment criteria will be specified in the brief.

- **1.** Application of critical design thinking to produce innovative resolved design solutions (LO2, , LO6)
- **2.** Application of advanced technical skills in pattern cutting, 3D toiling, sampling, garment construction and prototyping (, LO4)
- **3.** Application of technical skills in digital technology and software packages appropriate to design and product development (, LO4)
- **4.** Application and understanding of effective contemporary visual communication (LO4, LO5)
- **5.** Demonstration of applying professional engagement/collaborative working (LO7, LO8)

Essential Reading list

- 1. Aldrich, W. (2008). *Metric Pattern Cutting for Womenswear*, 5th edition. John Wiley & Sons.
- 2. Aldrich, W. (2011). *Metric Pattern Cutting for Menswear*, 5th edition. John Wiley & Sons.
- 3. Barrett, Joanne Ciresi. (2012). *Designing Your Portfolio: From Concept to Presentation.* Fairchild Books.
- 4. Renfrew, Elinor and Colin. (2009). *Developing a Collection*. AVA Publishing.
- 5. Singer, Ruth. (2013). *Fabric Manipulation: 150 Creative Sewing Techniques.* David & Charles Publishing.
- 6. Smith, Alison (2009) The Sewing Book. DK; UK ed. edition
- 7. Szkutnicka, Basia. (2010). Technical Drawing for Fashion. Laurence King.