

A-LEVEL FASHION AND TEXTILES

A-level Fashion & Textiles gives students the chance to explore their creative design ideas through looking at the work of leading fashion designers and illustrators. Students design and make high quality, innovative garments, explore a wide range of materials and hone their design skills, whilst learning about branding, marketing and fibres and fabrics.

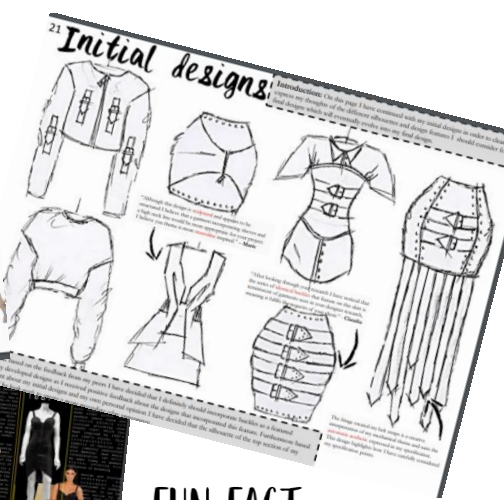


“Fashion remains a major UK employer, with 890,000 jobs supported across the industry, making it almost as big as the financial sector” British Fashion Council

“The UK’s fashion industry is worth £32 billion to the UK economy, making it the UK’s largest creative industry” British Fashion Council

The UK is the world leader in fashion education, with 6 of the world’s 20 leading fashion universities” British Fashion Council

“The students’ work is intelligent and of exceptional quality”
-AQA Chief Examiner for Fashion and Textiles in response to 2019 St Joseph’s coursework



RESULTS

Student results in A-level textiles are excellent:

- 2019: 100% A*-B
- 2018: 86% A*-B
- 2017: 86% A*-B
- 2016: 100% A*-B
- 2015: 100% A*-B



FUN FACT

The founder of the fashion brand Zara, Amancio Ortega is currently the world’s 6th richest person!



AREAS OF STUDY

Some of the exciting modules covered during the A-level course:

- Fashion design and manufacture
- Branding, management and marketing
- History of fashion, iconic design, trends and cycles
- The work of influential designers
- Fibres and fabrics
- Illustration, moodboards, experimenting with techniques, including print, pattern and dye effects

CAREER PROGRESSION

Over the past 10 years a huge number (over 40+) of our A-level Fashion students have gone on to study some amazing fashion courses and now work in a wide range of desirable careers. Here's just a few examples from past St Joseph's College A-level students:

- Fashion Business and Communication – Birmingham City University. Career now: PR Senior Account Manager at SEEN Group, specialising in beauty PR. In charge of launching Milk Make-up to the UK. Also manage accounts for Charlotte Tilbury and Fenty Beauty.
- Fashion Design – Westminster University. Career now: Childrenswear Designer at Burberry London. Also worked for Mark Jacobs in New York, Issa and Roksanda.
- Fashion and Marketing – Manchester University. Career: Senior Trading Executive at The Hut Group, working with a wide range of fashion and lifestyle brands.
- Theatre Production and Costume - Bath University. Career now: Costume designer for 'Spanish Princess' TV series on Amazon. Also worked as wardrobe designer for Gifford's Circus.
- Fashion Communication and Promotion – Nottingham Trent University. Career now: Head of Strategic Partnerships at M&C Saatchi Social, working with brands such as Net-a-Porter, Topshop and Nike. Also worked as a fashion buyer for ASOS, Next, Primark and Sainsbury's, and worked in marketing for Burberry.

Some of the other courses that our students have gone on to study:

- Costume Design – Wimbledon College of Art
- Fashion Design – De Montford University
- Fashion Merchandise Management – Westminster University

In addition many A-level Fashion students from St Joseph's College have gone on to rewarding careers in other sectors, using their skills, knowledge and results to access a range of university courses in areas such as:

- Primary and high school teaching
- Dentistry, Radiography, Midwifery and Paediatric nursing
- Maths, Business, Law, Marketing



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