



Award Received

National 5

Entry Level: What do I need to do it?

A genuine interest in studying Fashion and Textiles Technology. You should be willing to keep up with your assignments throughout the year and develop your skills both during class time and outwith when needed. Some of the work you do will take patience and perseverance!

Course Content: What will I learn?

You will develop knowledge of textile properties and characteristics, construction techniques and study current trends. You will plan and make a finished fashion or textiles item and learn how to set up and use tools and equipment safely and correctly. You will also develop investigation, evaluation and presentation skills.

Question Paper

At National 5 level, you will sit a question paper which assesses your knowledge and understanding. This is worth 30% of the overall mark.

Assignment & Practical Activity

These elements of the course work together as one project and will be assessed partly in school and partly by the SQA. This is worth 70% of the overall mark.

You will design, plan, make and evaluate a fashion or textile item, working from a bought paper pattern.

The SQA will set a choice of two design briefs for learners to select from.

Examples of possible design briefs are below :

- Produce a fashion / textile accessory to be sold in a Scottish tourist attraction.
- Develop a decorative fashion / textiles item for a child which includes the use of recycled materials.

Teaching Methods: What will I do?

You will have some whole class teaching to cover the content of the question paper. For your Assignment and Practical Activity, you will work individually on your project, which you will have a lot of choice over. You will receive regular tutoring and guidance from your teacher.

Assessment: How will I be assessed?

At National 4 level, all of your work will be assessed in school.

At National 5, the question paper is sat as an SQA Exam. You will be assessed on your knowledge of fashion and textile techniques and properties. Your Assignment will be carried out in class and sent to the SQA for marking. Your Practical Activity (actually making the fashion / textile item) will be marked by your teachers in school, with external verification from SQA.

Homework.

You will be required to keep up with the deadlines of the course. You may do this within class time if you are well organised, or you can catch up during extra support sessions at lunchtime and afterschool. Weekly homework tasks will be given to prepare you for the written exam.

Progression in the Senior Phase.

You can progress from National 5 to Higher Fashion and Textiles