El Paso Community College Syllabus Part II Official Course Description

SUBJECT AREA	Fashion Technology
COURSE RUBRIC AND NUMBER	<u>FSHN 1311</u>
COURSE TITLE	Garment Construction
COURSE CREDIT HOURS	$\frac{3}{\text{Credits}}$ Lec Lab

I. Catalog Description

Introduces the student to the equipment, techniques, and skills used to construct apparel including assembling various garment components. (2:2). Lab fee.

II. Course Objectives

- A. Unit I. Fabric Analysis and Garment Design
 - 1. Analyze the relationship of fabric usage to garment construction and design.
 - 2. Determine the best fabrication based on garment design, silhouette. garment construction and end use, and the body type of the intended wearer.
- B. Unit II. Fabric Selection and Combination
 - 1. Determine an accurate combination of outer fabric (self), interfacing, and lining fabric to be used in the construction of a garment.
 - 2. Select appropriate notions.
- C. Unit III. Grain Line Accuracy
 - 1. Characterize the nature of the various fabric grains, lengthwise, crossgrain, and bias.
 - 2. Employ appropriate techniques to insure accuracy of grain line.
- D. Unit IV. Materials Utilization and Conservation
 - 1. Determine yardage requirements for a garment.
 - 2. Analyze materials utilization for efficiency.
 - 3. Exercise materials conservation techniques.
 - 4. Discuss the redesign of pattern layouts for best materials utilization.
 - 5. Calculate the cost of poor materials utilization at the industry level.
- E. Unit V. Pattern Layout, Cutting, and Marking
 - 1. Develop and maintain a basic tool kit.
 - 2. Utilize demonstrated techniques for pattern layout.
 - 3. Read and interpret instructions and exhibit attention to detail.

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- 4. Employ appropriate cutting procedures.
- 5. Cut fabrics using pattern shears, rotary cutters, or electric cutters.
- 6. Mark fabric with appropriate marking techniques based on fabric type (e.g. tracing wheels, tracing pens, and notchers.)
- 7. Discuss the variations of pattern layout, cutting, and marking used at the industry level.
- 8. Apply safety techniques when using cutting equipment.

F. Unit VI. Sewing Machine Use

- 1. Identify sewing machine parts by name.
- 2. Describe the function of sewing machine parts and their relationship to the sewn garment.
- 3. Operate sewing and over lock machines.
- 4. Select appropriate seams and perform seaming operations.
- 5. Select appropriate machine stitch for various sewing operations.
- 6. Apply safety techniques when operating sewing machines.

G. Unit VII. Unit Construction Method

- 1. Organize a workspace.
- 2. Identify the labor saving techniques of the unit construction method.
- 3. Perform sewing and pressing tasks using the unit construction method.
- 4. Produce high quality sewn garments by the unit construction method.
- 5. Evaluate industry methods of unit construction.

H. Unit VIII. Pressing Techniques

- 1. Identify pressing tools by name and function.
- 2. Evaluate the need for accurate pressing during the construction of a garment.
- 3. Use demonstrated pressing techniques to achieve a professionally sewn appearance.
- 4. Apply safety techniques when using pressing equipment.

I. Unit IX. Garment Construction Operations

- 1. Assemble garments with diverse design details.
- 2. Perform operations necessary to construct the following: Buttons and Buttonholes; Collars; Cuffs and Plackets; Darts; Facings; Hems; Pleats and Gathers; Pockets; Seams; Set-in Sleeves; Waistbands; and Zippers.

J. Unit X. Quality Control

- Analyze stitching quality control problems such as machine malfunction or operator error
- 2. Evaluate overall excellence or inferiority of sewn garments.

K. Unit XI. Apparel Findings and Trimmings

- 1. Differentiate between findings and trimmings.
- 2. Select appropriate findings and trimmings based on overall garment design.
- 3. Evaluate the decorative creative features of garments in relation to body type

L. Unit XII. Special Techniques

- 1. Specify types of fabrics that require special construction techniques. Explain unique construction techniques used with special fabrics and threads.
- 2. Express garment performance congruent with textile.

M. Unit XIII. Safety Regulations

- 1. Evaluate the need for safety regulations.
- 2. Utilize safety equipment.
- 3. Follow all federal, state, and local safety regulations that apply.

N. Unit XIV. Industrial Sewing Techniques

- 1. Identify various industrial machine stitches, including safety stitch, serging, felling, flat felling, bar tacking, and double needle.
- 2. Classify the various industrial stitches according to their end use.

III. THECB Learning Outcomes (WECM)

- 1. Examine sewing equipment for apparel construction.
- 2. Demonstrate measuring techniques.
- 3. Define clothing construction vocabulary.
- 4. Cut garments from patterns.
- 5. Use sewing techniques to assemble selected garments.

IV. Evaluation

- A. Grade percentages for determining course grades may be devised by the individual instructor.
- B. Grading Scale:

A = 93 - 100 B = 83 - 92 C = 73 - 82 D = 68 - 72 I = INCOMPLETE W = WITHDRAWN F = BELOW 68

V. Disability Statement (Americans with Disabilities Act [ADA])

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VI. 6 Drop Rule

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