



BA FASHION PRODUCT

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FASHION PRODUCT

Uma das profissões mais procuradas no mundo da moda: visão criativa, habilidades e pensamento estratégico para desenvolver uma coleção: do merchandising à produção. O Bacharelado em Fashion Product, reconhecido pelo MUR (Ministry of University and Research), ensina os alunos a cultivar habilidades de desenvolvimento de produtos, merchandising, compra de moda e gestão da cadeia de suprimentos. Por meio de uma análise aprofundada das tendências do mercado, o curso busca desenvolver uma estratégia omnicanal integrada para lançar, produzir e distribuir uma coleção "mais desejada". De Gerente de Produto a Comprador de Moda, a Gerente de Cadeia de Suprimentos, estudar Produto de Moda no Istituto Marangoni é uma jornada para transformar um produto em um objeto de desejo, tornando-o um bestseller no mercado de luxo internacional. O curso oferece uma ampla seleção de disciplinas (incluindo modelagem, design de moda, compras, marketing de moda e design de produtos), permitindo que os estudantes explorem tanto os processos criativos quanto a gestão da cadeia de suprimentos, adquirindo habilidades especializadas na indústria da moda.

POSSÍVEIS CARREIRAS

- Gerente de Cadeia de Suprimentos
- Desenvolvedores de Produtos
- Gerentes de Produto
- Merchandisers de Coleção
- Merchandisers de Varejo
- Compradores de Moda
- Gerentes de Operações

ABOUT ISTITUTO MARANGONI

Over the past 80 years Istituto Marangoni has grown and developed alongside the thriving Italian fashion and design industry. Through an exciting curriculum aimed to develop practical, creative, and business and management skills which are subject specific, and relevant to the international fashion industry, Istituto Marangoni undergraduate courses prepare students with the necessary knowledge and know-how in order to enter a professional career in the fields of Fashion Design, Accessories and Footwear Design, Fashion Styling, Fashion Business and Communication, Multimedia Arts, Interior Design, Product Design, Visual Design, Art History and Culture. Students will initially acquire basic skills, advancing over the 3 years into independent learners, ready for a career in their chosen profession.

PROGRAMME INFORMATION

ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT

First Level Academic Master Diploma

Diploma Accademico di I Livello, recognised by the Italian Ministry of University and Research as an academic diploma equivalent to a university undergraduate level degree, participants will obtain 180 CFA (crediti formativi accademici) equivalent to 180 ECTS credits

EDUCATIONAL APPROACH

Istituto Marangoni's academic approach is shaped by the following educational aims:

- Develop a flexible and updated approach to programme delivery and student support which reflect the needs and expectations of all students;
- Encourage and nurture the development of students' intellectual and imaginative powers, Creativity, independence, critical self-awareness, imagination and soft skills that will enhance Global employment opportunities in all programmes;



- Establish a culture of constant improvement in learning, teaching and assessment that is anticipatory, enabling, supportive, rewarding and fully aligned with the Institutions vision and strategic objectives;
- Provide a learning experience that is informed by research, scholarship, reflective practice and engagement with the industry and the professions.
- Provide a supportive and inclusive learning environment which will enable success for all learners;

STUDY PLAN

Year 1

Code	Subject Title	Credits
ISSC/01	History of Applied Arts	6
ISSU/05	Sociology, Anthropology and Psychology of Fashion	6
ISST/02	Materials Science and Technology	6
ISME/02	Basic Design	8
ISDE/05	Fashion Design	12
ISDC/07	Image Digital Processing	8
ISDR/03	Techniques of Visual Communication	5
ISSE/02	Business English	4
AA	Free Study Activities	5
Total		60

Year 2

Code	Subject Title	Credits
ISSC/03	History and Criticism of Contemporary Fashion	8
ISDC/01	Communication Science	4
ISST/03	Production Processes	12
ISSE/03	Fashion Product Development: from Conception to Consumer	8
ISDC/04	Multimedia Planning	6
ISDC/05	Design for Publishing	4
ISDC/02	Communication strategies	8
ISSE/03	Fashion Business Organization	6
AA	Free Study Activities	4
Total		60

Year 3

Code	Subject Title	Credits
ISDC/01	Image Semiotics	5
ISDE/01	Product Design	8
ISDC/05	Art Direction	10
ISDC/04	Multimedia Design	6
ISDC/05	Corporate Communication	6
ISDC/02	Brand Communication	8
INT	Internship	9
DIS	Dissertation	8
Total		60

CONTENTS' OVERVIEW

Curriculum

Professional roles related to the domains of product and production are among the most demanded by the fashion industry. Merchandisers, product managers, fashion buyers and supply chain managers combine creative and strategic mindsets with highly specialized know-how in the domain of range planning, sourcing, fashion technology, and operations. Such experts are able to evaluate the critical factors related to the forecasting, designing, manufacturing, distribution and promotion of a fashion collection, as well as to achieve commercial goals through the implementation of effective marketing and omnichannel strategies. The course provides a highly specialized and technical know-how necessary for managing fashion products. Students learn to combine creative acumen, technical expertise and strategic thinking, transforming creative ideas into successful fashion products. The participants have the opportunity to experiment the creative journey of fashion designers, in order to their inspirational research and their working process methodologies. They gain a technical expertise in the domain of fabric and materials, garment construction and operation management. At the same time, they become aware how the success of fashion collections depends on strategic, market and cultural factors able to determine seasonal trends and consumer tastes. As a result, they discover the fundamental synergies among different divisions within a fashion company, namely style, branding, marketing, sales, production and logistics. Professionals related to the product area, as merchandisers, product managers, operation managers and supply chain managers, undeniably play a fundamental strategic role in coordinating such functions and creating the necessary synergies determining the commercial success of a fashion brand. The program covers different kind of disciplines, ranging from cultural and creative subjects to strategic and technological subjects. Students approach market, consumer and aesthetical trends by adopting the theoretical perspectives of sociology, anthropology and psychology of fashion, as well as history of art, fashion and design. They acquire an advanced awareness of global markets and aesthetics through contemporary fashion critique and consumer behavior analysis. The topic of creativity is central in fashion design courses, where the students also have the opportunity to learn fundamentals of 3D design and Al-assisted design. The adoption of a strategic mindset, instead, is crucial for the core subjects of the course, especially sourcing, product development, merchandising, operation management, supply chain management and fashion buying.

Strategic thinking is then consolidated through complementary subjects as financial planning, fashion marketing and communication. Special attention is paid to the impact of technology on fashion, branding and, more in general, fashion companies' operations. In this framework, students learn how to evaluate the opportunities offered by the digitization of the fashion supply chain, that lead to the virtualization of key stages as sampling, fitting, sourcing and selling. Moreover, they discover how to benefit from Artificial Intelligence, evaluating its impact on trend forecasting, design, range planning, material optimization and customization. Finally, they learn how to develop visionary strategies for entirely virtual worlds. Indeed, they have the opportunity to apply 3D design and AIassisted design to develop virtual collections and immersive narrative spaces, playing with gaming platforms, avatars, virtual influencers, NFTs, and the Metaverse. An additional driver distinguishing the course Fashion Product is the attention to sustainability, responsibility and inclusivity. Environmental sustainability and social responsibility represent recurring themes in all core subjects relating to sourcing, operation management and garment technology. Inclusivity is approached through the innovative framework of "Design for all" and "Adaptive Fashion", encouraging the students to develop product and buying strategies able to promote diversity and harmonically integrate the needs of different consumer niches in a global system of offer.

Final Project (Dissertation)

The final project is the assessment of the competences gained by the Student, his/her maturity in the methodologic approach and the acquisition of the relevant technical and cultural tools; this will translate into a final work that will show evidence of all aspects and steps that are part of the candidates' educational path. It will consist in the development of a work that will demonstrate a concrete application of the theoretical and cultural/creative studies undertaken.

Internship

As part of the didactical experience provided to its students, the Undergraduate programmes include an internship period which is embedded in the Plan of Study of each programme. This working experience allows students to take advantage of skills and topics learned during lessons, putting them into concrete practice within a real professional environment. The internship consists of a period of an experience in professional practice through the realisation of individual or group projects in collaboration with institutions or companies on their premises or on the School premises (internship on campus).

LEARNING OUTCOMES

Educational Outcomes

On successful completion of their course of study students will be able to:

- apply skills of critical analysis to real world situations within a defined range of contexts;
- express ideas effectively and communicate information appropriately and accurately using a range of media including ICT;
- manage their professional development reflecting on progress and taking appropriate action.

Programme-Specific Learning Outcomes

Students who successfully complete this specific Programme shall be able to demonstrate:

- Analyze and manage the planning, development, production and distribution of a fashion line;
- Master the management processes related to fashion collections from industrial production to commercialization;
- Control technological, productive, cultural, social and economic factors in order to develop a fashion line and its notoriety;
- Develop a fashion buying strategy, taking into consideration customer's profiles, trends, budget and sales performance.
- Evaluate innovation as a natural integration of the creative process and technological development of a project;
- Evaluate the economic feasibility of a product offer and the optimization of its industrialization, distribution and promotion;
- Mature the managerial and technical skills required to professional roles in the domain of fashion product development, supply chain management, sourcing, merchandising, and buying.

TEACHING AND LEARNING METHODS

Programme methods:

The programme will present students with a variety of approaches to learning and assessment strategies that will promote intellectual, imaginative, analytical and critical judgement. It will allow students to develop understanding as well as their presentation and communication skills, which they will be able to demonstrate in a variety of forms. A combination of different learning and teaching methodologies are employed in order to promote reflective learning and develop generic transferable skills.

Methods include:

- Projects to encourage independent learning through investigation, enquiry and problem solving;
- Group project to enhance interpersonal and collaborative skills;
- Tutorials and group tutorials to facilitate shared experiences and best practice;
- Seminars, formal lectures and workshops;
- Study, trips, external projects and competitions present students with another dimension to their leaning experience;
- Guest speakers provide students with a full, broader and real prospective to their specialist field of study.

Students will have the opportunity to demonstrate their achievement of the intended learning outcomes through a variety of tests appropriate to their field of study.

Assessment methods to support learning:

The programme uses a balanced assessment system, both summative and formative as an integral part of gathering information on student learning. Various forms of assessment are used to test different types of skills and learning.

Formative Assessment:

Formative assessment informs both teachers and students about student understanding at a point when timely adjustments can be made. In formative assessment students could be involved in the assessment process. These formative assessment situations will also give students an opportunity to learn to critique the work of others.

Some of the instructional strategies that will be used formatively include the following:

- Criteria and goal setting: asking students to participate in establishing what should be included in criteria for success;
- Self and peer assessment: With peer evaluation, students see each other as resources for understanding and checking for quality work against previously established criteria;
- Student record keeping helps students better understand their own learning curve.
- This process not only engages students, it also helps them see the progress they are making toward the learning goal.



Summative Assessment:

These assessments are a means of evaluating student learning, at a particular point in time, relative to established marking criteria. Summative assessments can occur during, as well as at the end of each subject - concentrating on specific evidence of student work, examples as follows:

- Portfolio Assessment is used to assess a variety of projects that have been developed throughout the subject;
- Practical Coursework allows students to demonstrate their understanding and application of practical areas of study;
- Written Reports are required in some study areas, where a clear and structured brief is provided;
- Formal Examinations;
- Presentations may also be used to allow the student to develop their professional communication and presentation skills.

Attendance:

The exams are processes designed to verify the learning outcomes and the knowledge acquired by the students within the single courses. To gain admission to the exams, students must have attended at least 80% of the hours of lessons scheduled in the study plan for each course. The attendance is verified by the teachers of the individual courses, who will only admit the students who have complied with this requirement to the exams. Should the student fail to reach the required attendance level in one or more courses, they must attend said courses again before they will be allowed to sit the exam and be admitted to the next Academic Year.

Grades:

The exams are graded by assigning them marks out of thirty. The minimum mark is 18; The Board can also decide to award an additional merit to students who obtain the maximum mark of 30/30 in the form of the mention "Cum Laude". Full details on attendance and assessment are explained in the Student handbook (Manifesto dello Studente).

CAREER SERVICE

The purpose of the Istituto Marangoni Career service is to bridge the gap between course completion and entering the world of work. Monitoring, guidance and counselling activities are organised throughout the academic year.



The careers service organises various activities including seminars and round table discussions with fashion professionals, HR managers and head-hunter agencies on specific topics such as future career paths, personal research methods and job profiles. Individual meetings are also arranged to assist with CV preparation, revise portfolios and encourage students to talk about their career goals and expectations.

COURSE SPECIFIC ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

- Copy of high school diploma or equivalent:
- Signed personal statement (motivational letter)
- Successful completion of entry test*
- Entry Test for design related courses: Students are asked to provide 6 drawings they would consider as their personal statement on fashion, art or design in relation to their chosen subject, plus a short skills test consisting of 4 multiple-choice questions on the subject of fashion, and design.
- Entry Test for business related courses: a short skills test consisting of 10 multiple-choice questions.
- For non English/Italian native speakers: certificate of language skills, level b1 of Common European Framework of Reference with specific requirements (e.g. IELTS 4.5 without elements below 4.0)

STUDENT SUPPORT STRATEGY

A dedicated Student Support Officer is available for all students on the programme. For academic counselling, Student Support Officers will liaise with tutors and programme leaders to offer practical advice to resolve specific academic difficulties. A written record of these tutorials will be kept in the student's file for reference and to assist in the monitoring of student progress. For matters of pastoral care the Student Support Officers will help in:

- Finding their way around;
- Managing their time;
- Dealing with stress;
- Getting the best from their course;
- Understanding and applying the school's rules;
- Anything else the officers can advise on.

One-to-one appointments may be made by phone, in person (by contacting reception) or by email. Where possible students can expect to be seen almost immediately, or contacted to arrange a suitable time.