Leicester College

Garment Making Improvers 1

Course Overview

This non-accredited course runs from St Margaret's Campus, each Friday, 10:00 – 12:30 for 13 weeks starting on 13 September and finishing on 13 December 2024. This course builds upon your existing knowledge, equipping you with additional techniques. You will work on an individual project using commercial patterns or make your own patterns depending on your experience. You will be required to bring some of your own materials and sewing equippment to each session.

What you will learn

During this course, you will learn: - Health and safety, safe working practice regulations - Use commercial patterns - Make your own patterns depending on your experience - This term we will be focusing on adjusting patterns for a better fit - Understanding different body shapes and proportions - Apply and use different notions such as zips, buttonholes, elastics and interfacings. ALL of this will be done on small samples which you will keep in a sketch book.

Entry Requirements

This course is designed for those who have completed introduction to garment making skills and is suitable for those students who have previous sewing experience. You must be aged 19+ and be able to complete a short workbook on a weekly basis with the help of your tutor.

How you will be assessed

There are no formal assessments, exams or coursework. Your tutor will informally assess your progress each week. You will receive a certificate of course completion based on your progress in class and attendance.

Course Fees

The cost of the course is £130.00. However, you will not be required to pay a fee for this course if you are in receipt of one of the following benefits: - Universal Credit - JSA or ESA (Employment and Support Allowance Work Related Action Group) There will be no fees if you earn less than £25,000.

Course Progession

You can only complete this course once. On completion of this course, you may progress onto Garment Making Improvers 2 or one of the other Adult Engagement and Progression courses such as Soft Furnishings or Upholstery. Or it might inspire you to look into enrolling onto one of our full time fashion or design based programs. Your tutor will advise and discuss the various progression routes available to you. You can also access the college careers team to support your progression.

What Happens Next

Apply online via the College website. You will be contacted to attend an interview if required or sent a conditional offer according to the course's entry requirements. You will then be invited to enrol for your chosen course.

Course Details

Course Code	P00435
Start Date	12/09/2025
Study Hours	Part Time
Duration	13 weeks
Campus	St Margaret's Campus
Level 1	

