

Harper College	Columbia College Chicago
Degree: Associate in Applied Science	Degree: Bachelor of Arts
Major: Fashion Studies – Fashion Design	Major: Fashion Studies – Product Development
Minimum credits at Harper College: 63*	Credits completed at Columbia: 57

Degree Information

The Product Development concentration emphasizes principles of design thinking and design anthropology. Such knowledge will set you apart on the job market and enable you to apply your knowledge of style to industries outside conventional fashion. Learn more about the major and faculty at colum.edu/academics/programs/fashion-studies.

Admissions & Deadlines

Columbia accepts and reviews applications to our Bachelor of Arts programs on a rolling basis and it is to your advantage to complete your application as early as possible. Use the [Transfer Timeline](#) and [Transfer Checklist](#) to plan your transfer.

Tuition & Scholarships

General Tuition and Fees: colum.edu/tuition

Scholarships and Financial Aid: colum.edu/scholarships

Contact Information

Want to learn more?

Web: colum.edu/transfer

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More Information

Completion of this transfer guide does not guarantee admission to Columbia College Chicago. Additionally, the Columbia semester plan should be considered a guide and all Columbia transfer students should work with their academic advisor to ensure that they are making progress toward graduation.

Columbia College Chicago participates in the Illinois Articulation Initiative (IAI). Students who complete the AAS degree prior to transferring to Columbia College Chicago have the choice of completing the IAI General Education Core Curriculum (GECC) at Columbia or the Columbia Core Curriculum. Students will work with their Columbia advisor on the best course of action. Additionally, all degree-seeking Columbia students are required to complete 9 credit hours of 200-level (or higher) coursework, a Columbia Experience course as indicated, as well as at least two courses (6 credit hours) with a Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI) designation to meet graduation requirements.

*While the AAS degree requires 60 hours, students should complete ENG 102 Composition prior to transferring.

Harper College Transfer Pathway

SEMESTER 1

Harper College		Columbia College Chicago
Course Title	Credits	Course Title
ENG 101 Composition	3	ENGL 111 Writing and Rhetoric I
FAS 100 Industrial Sewing Methods	3	Collegewide Elective*
FAS 101 Flat Pattern Design I	3	Collegewide Elective*
FAS 105 Fashion Design Illustration I	3	Collegewide Elective*
FAS 107 Textiles I	3	FASH 205 Textiles Survey
FAS 112 Fashion Basics	3	FASH 101 Introduction to the Fashion Industry

SEMESTER 2

Harper College		Columbia College Chicago
Course Title	Credits	Course Title
FAS 102 Flat Pattern Design II	3	Collegewide Elective*
FAS 104 Apparel Design and Construction	3	FASH 230 Patternmaking and Construction II
FAS 110 Costume History	3	FASH 307 A History of Fashion in 100 Objects
FAS 113 Advanced Industrial Sewing Methods	3	FASH 130 Patternmaking and Construction I
MTH 101 Quantitative Literacy**	3	MATH 120 Quantitative Reasoning

SEMESTER 3

Harper College		Columbia College Chicago
Course Title	Credits	Course Title
FAS 109 Fashion Arts and Design	3	FASH 102 Fashion Design Principles
FAS 201 Draping	3	Collegewide Elective*
GRA 112 Digital Illustration I	3	Collegewide Elective*
SPE 101 Fundamentals of Speech Communication	3	Meets IAI Communication requirement
IAI Humanities course	3	Humanities Course

SEMESTER 4

Harper College		Columbia College Chicago
Course Title	Credits	Course Title
ENG 102 Composition*	3	ENGL 112 Writing and Rhetoric II
FAS 204 Fashion Design Studio	3	Collegewide Elective*
FAS 208 Computer-Aided Patternmaking	3	FASH 330 Digital Patternmaking and Construction
FAS 210 Fashion Design Illustration II	3	Collegewide Elective*
IAI Social & Behavioral Science course	3	Social Science course

Total transfer credits toward Columbia degree

63

*Collegewide electives will be applied toward required graduation hours at Columbia College Chicago.

**MTH 101 is required to meet the pre-requisite for FASH 204 which is to be taken the first semester at Columbia and may be substituted for MGT 150 at Harper.

Remaining Coursework at Columbia College Chicago

SEMESTER 5

Course Title	Credits
FASH 203 Trendspotting	3
FASH 204 Math for Fashion	3
FASH 306 Apparel Evaluation	3
Humanities course with DEI designation	3
Collegewide Elective or Minor Course	3
Total Credit Hours	15

SEMESTER 6

Course Title	Credits
FASH 231 Approaches & Processes in Fashion Design	3
CCCX Columbia Experience course with DEI designation	3
Science course	3
200-Level Social Science course	3
Collegewide Elective or Minor Course	3
Total Credit Hours	15

SEMESTER 7

Course Title	Credits
FASH 308 Professional Practice	3
FASH 331 Design Solutions for Fashion	3
FASH 401 Fashion Design and Merchandising: Concept to Consumer I	3
Science course with lab	3
Social Science course	3
Total Credit Hours	15

SEMESTER 8

Course Title	Credits
FASH 309 Sourcing and Supply Chain	3
FASH 402 Fashion Design and Merchandising: Concept to Consumer II	3
200-Level Humanities course	3
Collegewide Elective or Minor Course	3
Total Credit Hours	12

Total Degree Credit Hours

120