TMD-BS

THE UNIVERSITY OF RHODE ISLAND

FALL 2025-SPRING 2026

Name:		Entering term/Year:	Intent to Graduate:		
SID#:	Advisor signature:			Date:	

ABOUT THE TEXTILES, FASHION MERCHANDISING AND DESIGN BS DEGREE: -120 credits total -76-77 credits in major

The TMD program allows students to focus in apparel merchandising, apparel design, textile science or historic clothing and textiles. The program educates students in the textile and apparel supply chain, from textiles to apparel design and retailing. Students develop technical, creative, business and critical thinking skills through hands-on practical experience working closely with instructors in classroom setting and one-to-one exchanges.

STEP 1: TMD MAJOR REQUIREMENTS:

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Course	CREDITS	GRADE
TMD 123 The World of Plastic	3	
CSC 101	4	
NFS 207*, 210*, AFS 190*/PLS 190*, PHY	3-4	
111*/185*, PHY 112*/186*		
ECN 201*	3	
ECN 202*	3	
ART 101*/207*/120*/251*/252*	3	
TMD 103G* Textile, Fashion & Sustainability	3	
TMD 126* Intro to Design	3	
TMD 224 Consumer Psychology of Fashion Retail	3	
TMD 232 Introduction to Retailing	3	
TMD 203 (303) Textile Science (Fall Offering)	3	
TMD 213 (313) Textile Science Lab (Spring Offering)	1	
TMD 390 Career Development for the Fashion Industry	1	
TMD 240* Dev. of Contemp. Fashion/ TMD 440 Historic Textiles/ TMD 441 History of Western Dress/ TMD 426 Hist. & Contemp. Furniture	3	
TMD 433* Textile Markets	3	
At Least 43-44 Total Credits		

^{*} Course approved for general education credit.

TMD ELECTIVES (15 CREDITS):

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Course	CREDITS	GRADE	
9 credits (3 courses) must be 300 level or above			

PROFESSIONAL ELECTIVES (18 CREDITS):

Course	CREDITS	GRADE	
9 credits must be from the same department			

FREE ELECTIVE CREDITS: To meet the 120 credits required for graduation.

Course	CRS	GR	COURSE	CRS	GR

NOTE: Students must complete 24 credit, including TMD 103G and 123, with an overall 2.00 GPA to transfer from University College to the College of Business.

GENERAL EDUCATION GUIDELINES: General education - 40 credits. Each of the twelve outcomes (A1-D1) must be met by at least 3 credits. A single course may meet more than one outcome, but cannot be double counted towards the 40 credit total. At least one course must be a Grand Challenge (G). No more than 12 credits can have the same course code (note — HPR)

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STEP 2:

GENERAL EDUCATION CREDIT COUNT				
Course	CREDI TS	GRADE		
TMD 103G	3			
TMD 123	3			
TMD 126	3			
CSC 101	3			
ECN 201	3			
ECN 202	3			
ART 101/ART 120/ART 207 ART 251/ART 252	3			
TMD 433	3			

STEP 3:

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GENERAL EDUCATION OUT	COME AUDIT		
Knowledg	E		
A1. STEM	TMD 123		
A2. Social & Behavioral Sciences	ECN 201		
A3. Humanities or Language	ART 251/ART 252		
A4. Arts & Design	ART 101/ART 120/ART 207		
COMPETENCE	IES		
B1. Write Effectively			
B2. Communicate effectively	TMD 126		
B3. Mathematical, statistical or	CSC 101		
computational strategies			
B4. Information literacy	CSC 101		
RESPONSIBILIT	TIES		
C1. Civic knowledge & responsibilities	ECN 202		
C2. Global responsibilities	TMD 103G		
C3. Diversity & Inclusion			
INTEGRATE & A	PPLY		
D1. Ability to synthesize	TMD 433		
GRAND CHALLE	ENGE		
G. Check that at least one course of your 40 credits is an approved "G" course	TMD 103G		

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NOTE: This worksheet is a snapshot of your entire curriculum. You must work with your advisor each term to discuss requirements to keep you on course for timely progress to complete this major. Official requirements for graduation are listed in the University Catalog.

SUGGESTED TRACKS FOR TMD ELECTIVES:				
MERCHANDISING	DESIGN	HISTORIC	TEXTILE SCIENCE	
TMD 222 Apparel Production	TMD 222 Apparel Production	TMD 240* Development of Contemporary Fashion	TMD 113* Color Science	
TMD 332 Fashion Merchandise Buying	TMD 225 Apparel I	TMD 426 Historic and Contemporary Furniture	TMD 403 Textile Performance (Spring Only)	
TMD 333 Digital Retail	TMD 226 Interior Design	TMD 440 Historic Textiles	TMD 413 Dyeing and Finishing of Textiles	
TMD 424 Retail Product Trend Forecasting	TMD 326G* What is Good Design?	TMD 441 History of Western Dress		
TMD 432 Fashion Retail Supply Chain Management	TMD 327 Apparel Design and Illustration			
TMD 434 Branding in Fashion Industry	TMD 335 Apparel II			
TMD 442 Fashion Promotion	TMD 345 CAD Apparel Design			
BAI / TMD 458 Fashion Retail Analytics	TMD 355 Draping for Apparel			
	TMD 365 Knit Apparel Development			

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Seniors who have a 3.0 or above may take TMD graduate courses. Work in each of these areas can be extended with "Special Problems" courses TMD 361/362 under the supervision of a TMD faculty member who teaches in that area.

PROFESSIONAL ELECTIVES:

Professional electives are 18 credits (six 3-credit courses) from outside the TMD Department that will help a student professionally. Three of the courses (9 credits) must be taken from the same department. If all 18 credits are taken in the same department, a "minor" may be earned (see below).

Choice of professional electives should be made in consultation with the advisor. Courses may be selected from a range of subjects such as business, art, consumer studies, and chemistry. Any 18 credits (at least 9 from the same department) that can be justified as advantageous to a career in the field of Textiles, Fashion Merchandising and Design will fulfill the professional electives requirement.

MINOR FIELD OF STUDY:

Students are encouraged to pursue a minor field of study. 18 credits in one field can be used to establish a minor. Check the specific department's minor requirements as you begin this process. You must get the approval of a) the department chairperson of the minor field and b) College of Business Dean's Office on a Minor Field of Study form before the last semester prior to graduation.

Minor Pursued:		
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