Kingsborough Community College-of the City University of New York-Department of Business

FM 37 Fashion Merchandising – 3 Credits, 3 Hours

Bulletin Description: Designed to keep Retail Merchandising majors, with a concentration in fashion, current on trends in both the women’s, men’s, children’s and accessory markets and prepare them for career paths as buyers and merchandisers and acquaint them with the renowned designers of the past and present along with their elements of design.

A. Outcomes:
   1. To know the process of identifying trends in all apparel and accessory markets.
   2. To demonstrate a knowledge of the recognized designers and their contributions to the industry.
   3. To demonstrate the important elements of design of designers, both historical and emerging.
   4. To know the many career opportunities in fashion merchandising.

B. Resources:
   2. Vogue Archives, KCC Library
   3. NY Public Library Archives
   4. Costume Institute, the Metropolitan Museum of Art; Timeline (Met Museum.org.)
   5. WWD, NYT, WSJ

C. Methods of Instruction
   1. Classroom lecture and discussion
   2. Trend and designer reports
   3. Fashion news of the week
   4. Museum reports
   5. Field Trips

D. Evaluation
   1. Tests and Midterms – 50%
   2. Weekly Participation of Fashion News – 10%
   3. Project – 40%

E. Semester Topics, Assignments and Projects (Following)

F. Transferability: FIT, LIM.

G. Notes:
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