

College of DuPage	Columbia College Chicago
Degree: Associate in Applied Science	Degree: Bachelor of Arts
Major: Fashion Merchandising	Major: Fashion Studies - Merchandising
Minimum credits at the College of DuPage: 64	Credits completed at Columbia: 56

Degree Information

This concentration focuses on the business side of the industry. You'll take courses in marketing, sales, and buying. You'll learn how to spot trends and analyze consumers so you can bring products to market at the right time. You'll gain experience in pricing, inventory, and supply chains and learn how to get ahead of the game. 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

Email: transfer@colum.edu

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 Essential Liberal Arts and Sciences Curriculum - students will work with their Columbia advisor on the best course of action. All degree-seeking students are required to complete mission-specific graduation requirements: Nine credit hours of 200-level (or higher) coursework, 3 credit hours of Columbia Experience coursework, and at least two courses (6 credit hours) with a Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI) designation to meet graduation requirements.

College of DuPage Transfer Pathway

SEMESTER 1

College of DuPage		Columbia College Chicago
Course Title	Credits	Course Title
FASHI 1460 Visual Merchandising I	3	FASH 323 Visual Merchandising and Space Planning
FASHI 1531 Business of Fashion	3	FASH 101 Intro to the Fashion Industry
FASHI 1551 Principles of Textiles	3	FASH 205 Textiles Survey
SPEEC 1100 Fundamentals of Speech Communication	3	Meets IAI Communications requirement
IAI Humanities and Fine Arts course	3	Humanities course

SEMESTER 2

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Course Title	Credits	Course Title
ENGLI 1011 Composition I	3	ENGL 111 Writing and Rhetoric I
FASHI 1305 Design Concepts (Program Elective)	3	FASH 102 Fashion Design Principles
FASHI 1430 Fashion Styling I	3	Collegewide Elective*
FASHI 1500 Fashions' History	3	FASH 307 A History of Fashion in 100 Objects
MARKE 2230 Principles of Retail (Program Elective)	3	See FASHI 2445 below

Summer Coursework

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Course Title	Credits	Course Title
MATH 1218 General Education Mathematics**	3	MATH 115 Liberal Arts Mathematics

SEMESTER 3

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Course Title	Credits	Course Title
FASHI 2435 Quality Evaluation of Apparel	3	FASH 306 Apparel Evaluation
FASHI 2445 Brand Strategy for Fashion	3	With MARKE 2230 Principles of Retail = FASH 220 Future of Retail Shopping and FASH 221 Marketing Fashion Brands
FASHI 2450 Contemporary Retail for Fashion	3	Collegewide Elective*
Program Elective	3	Collegewide Elective*
IAI Physical or Life Science course	4	Science course

SEMESTER 4

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Course Title	Credits	Course Title
FASHI 2420 Fashion Promotion	3	Collegewide Elective*
FASHI 2440 Fashion Trends and Forecasting	3	Collegewide Elective*
MCOMM 2100 Social Media as News (Program Elective)	3	COMM 219 Social Media Content
Program Elective	3	Collegewide Elective*
IAI Social & Behavioral Science course	3	Social Science course

Total transfer credits toward Columbia degree

64

*Collegewide Electives will be applied to required graduation hours at Columbia College Chicago.

**MATH 128 is required to meet the math pre-requisite for FASH 204 Math for Fashion which will be taken the first semester at Columbia.

Remaining Coursework at Columbia College Chicago

SEMESTER 5

Course Title	Credits
ENGL 112 Writing & Rhetoric II	3
FASH 203 Trendspotting	3
FASH 204 Math for Fashion	3
Collegewide Elective or Minor Course	3
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Total Credit Hours	15

SEMESTER 6

Course Title	Credits
FASH 308 Professional Practice	3
CCCX Columbia Experience course with DEI designation	3
Science course with lab	3
200-level Humanities Course	3
Collegewide Elective or Minor Course	3
Total Credit Hours	15

SEMESTER 7

Course Title	Credits
FASH 322 Merchandising and Assortment Planning	3
FASH 401 Fashion Design and Merchandising: Concept to Consumer I	3
Humanities course with DEI designation	3
200-level Social Science course	3
Collegewide Elective or Minor Course	2
Total Credit Hours	14

SEMESTER 8

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

Total Degree Credit Hours

120