

Course Changes for September 2020 – Summary for Students

During these unprecedented times due to the global coronavirus pandemic, your wellbeing, health and safety remain our primary concern. We have therefore made some temporary changes to your programme to enable you to continue your studies safely at our University.

We anticipate that these changes will be in place for the 2020/21 academic year. However, if it's possible, we will return courses to their normal operation earlier if UK Government guidance allows.

We feel the changes we are making will benefit you, ensuring you can complete your programme on schedule whilst continuing to receive the same high-quality education for the duration of your course.

We do recognise that not everyone may feel comfortable with this change and so, in accordance with our Terms and Conditions, we are now giving all continuing students an option to withdraw from your programme without financial penalty. In practice this means you would not re-enrol in September and instead would receive a transcript for the credits you have achieved so far. Alternatively, you could defer your studies until the 2021/22 academic year when we hope to have returned to on campus delivery if Government guidance permits.

We do hope you choose to continue your studies with us at this difficult time for us all. The proposed changes to your course are designed to ensure you will continue to receive the highest quality of education whether this is delivered online or physically distanced on campus or, more likely, a blend of the two.

If you wish to withdraw or defer you have until the start of teaching week two (28th September 2020) to notify us of your decision without incurring tuition fees. Your Campus Registry will confirm the process for doing this. We do hope though that you will continue your studies and remain with our University community during the year ahead.

Course Names:

[BA \(Hons\) Fashion Business Management](#)

[BA \(Hons\) Fashion Buying Management](#)

[BA \(Hons\) Fashion Merchandise Management](#)

This course has both theoretical and practical elements and to ensure that you can complete your course we have made some changes to the way in which it is delivered to enable you to meet the learning outcomes of your award and complete your studies.

We are expecting that most of your course content in semester 1 of 2020/21 will be delivered through blended learning which will combine online lectures and seminar activities with some onsite group work. There will be extensive use of discussion boards and various types of online activities such as quizzes to supplement lectures. An additional programme of industry expert guests, called Fashion Voices at Westminster, will be made available on a weekly basis throughout semester one. There may be changes to the scheduling of your modules to make this possible, with your wellbeing, health and safety our main concern along with the continued quality of your education.

We will bring you in for onsite seminars and practical sessions in smaller groups, where we are able to and where Government guidance allows. For semester 1 we plan to deliver 20% of original planned contact time per module on site. As the guidance evolves, we hope to increase the time you spend on campus. Details will be provided on your timetable and module Blackboard sites.

The tables below set out the changes we have made to individual modules. All other modules will run as outlined in the Course Handbook.

Level 4

4FAMN014W Introduction to the Fashion Industry	20 credits Core	Semester 1 The In Class Test (ICT) will be online if onsite is not possible
4FAMN014W Study Skills for Fashion Business management	20 credits Core	Semester 1 There will be no change to assessment. The group presentation will be onsite subject to social distancing requirements
4FAMN005W London Fashion	20 credits Option	Semester 1 & 2 The group presentation assessment will be online
4FAMN007W Garment Technology	20 credits Option	Semester 1 The ICT will be online
4FAMN008W Fashion Trends and consumer culture	20 credits option	Semester 1 The group presentation assessment will be online
4FAMN015W Career Planning	20 credits Core	Semester 2 The assessment centre will be online
4FAMN0 Marketing	20 credits Core	Semester 2 There is no change to assessments
4FAMN013W The Role and Processes of Buyers and Merchandisers	20 Credits Core	Semester 2 The group presentation assessment will be online if onsite is not possible

Level 5

5FAMN015W Planning and Trading for Merchandisers	20 Credits Core	Semester 1 The ICT will be online
5FAMN016W Range Planning and Trading	20 Credits Core	Semester 1 The ICT will be online
5FAMN013W Preparing for Work	20 Credits Core	Semester 1 The ICT will be online
5FAMN006W Career Development	20 Credits Core	Semester 1 (transition module for Fashion Buying Management students) The Assessment Centre and ICT will be online if onsite is not possible
5FAMN014W Supply Chain	20 Credits Core	Semester 1 There will be no change to assessment.
5FAMN019W & 20W Business Placement	20 Credits Core	Year Long The individual PDP assessment will be online if onsite is not possible
5FAMN017W Range Design and Concept Development	20 Credits Option	Semester 2 The group presentation assessment will be online if onsite is not possible
5FAMN005W Textiles and Product development	20 Credits Core/Option	Semester 2 The ICT will be online if onsite is not possible
5FAMN018W Digital Trading	20 Credits Option	Semester 2 The group presentation assessment will be online if onsite is not possible
5FAMN011W Visual Merchandising	20 Credits Option	Semester 2 The group presentation assessment will be online if onsite is not possible
5FAMN008W Fashion Promotion	20 Credits Option	Semester 2

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Level 6

6FAMN001W Major Project For year 2020/21 not those starting in Sept 2020	60 Credits Core	Year Long The individual presentation will be online
6FAMN002W The Changing Business of Fashion	20 Credits Option	Semester 1 There will be no change to assessment. The group presentation will be onsite *
6FAMN013W Fashion Brand Management	20 Credits Option	Semester 1 There will be no change to assessment. The group presentation will be onsite*
6FAMN014W Future Trends and Insight	20 Credits Option	Semester 1 The group presentation assessment will be online
6FAMN003W Fashion Entrepreneurship	20 Credits Option	Semester 1 The individual presentation will be online
6FAMN005W Sustainable Fashion	20 Credits Option	Semester 2 The Exam will be online if onsite is not possible
6FAMN008W Consumer Behaviour	20 Credits Option	Semester 2 The Exam will be online if onsite is not possible
6FAMN008W Commercial Skills	20 Credits Option	Semester 2 The group presentation assessment will be online if onsite is not possible
6FAMN012W International Buying and Merchandising Negotiation	20 Credits Option	Semester 2 The negotiation group assessment will be online if onsite is not possible

- Note at level 6 two 20 credit option modules have been identified for onsite assessment, as there is not a core module. These two modules are selected to try to ensure all Level 6 students have the contact experience for assessment