Specification of Competency Standards for the Fashion Industry Unit of Competency

Functional Area - Design

Title	Identify and source materials for fashion design
Code	108089L4
Description	Identify and source fashion materials for inspiring design ideas or supporting the design development. This applies to individuals who are required to set the stage for sourcing fashion materials for the design process.
Level	4
Credit	3
Competency	Performance Requirements 1. Knowledge in the subject area Be able to: • understand the features and sources of different types of materials for constructing fashion products • relate material features to fashion product end use • explain the role of materials in fashion design • understand the industrial practice and market supply of materials • have a general understanding of the principle of fashion design 2. Application and process Be able to: • determine the client or target customer needs for fashion design in a particular season • interpret research findings on the market, fashion and material trends • interpret key design requirements for the fashion design if any • connect with material suppliers for options that match the needs or requirements • collect material information (sometimes in the form of a catalogue) and samples from suppliers or established resources (e.g. fabric library) • acquire the materials from various available sources (e.g. local supplier) • present fashion materials to design personnel or a client for furthering the design process • provide advice to design personnel or a client on the potential risks that may incur in the selection of certain material types (e.g long delivery time, inconsistent quality performance, unaffordable high price) 3. Exhibit professionalism Be able to:
	 have insight into latest material trends in terms of design, technology, price and market supply
Assessment Criteria	The integrated outcome requirements of this UoC are the abilities to accomplish:
	 Identifying and sourcing fashion materials for the design and compilation of relevant information for inspiration and selection.
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