

Specification of Competency Standards
for the Fashion Industry
Unit of Competency

Functional Area - Common

Title	Coordinate new material development
Code	108284L4
Description	Coordinate with related parties for the development of new materials. This applies to individuals who are required to work with different parties in new material development in accordance with the designer's or client's requirements.
Level	4
Credit	3
Competency	<p>Performance Requirements</p> <p>1. Knowledge in the subject area</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">Be able to</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • outline the process of new material development • understand roles and responsibilities of all parties involved in new material development process • understand materials used for making fashion products (e.g. source, production, construction) • connect with the sources of material supply (e.g. supplier) • communicate material issues with related parties effectively by using fashion terminology <p>2. Application and process</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">Be able to</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • identify sources of material supply that have the potential or capability in developing the required new materials. • communicate the material requirement and specification with sources of material supply (e.g. supplier, material procurement staff) • set standards of quality performance of materials • liaise with related parties to set workable timeframe for material development • monitor the progress of material development • engage sources of material supply in experimenting newly developed materials to meet the requirements and standards (e.g. sample, trial run, mock-up, test) • collect feedback on newly developed materials and seek advice for modifications when required • resolve problems and clarify issues that may arise in the process of material development <p>3. Exhibit professionalism</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">Be able to</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • build strategic partnerships with all parties involved in the process so as to achieve the best possible outcomes in material development supporting the making of fashion product
Assessment Criteria	<p>The integrated outcome requirements of this UoC are the abilities to accomplish:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Preparation of new material development plan which includes both time and action elements ensuring the process is completed before deadline and outcomes meet the requirement. • Coordinating with related parties in developing materials based on the pre-set requirements and specifications.

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Remark	Common UoC across the functional areas: Product Development / Merchandising and Material Procurement
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