**Course title:** Pattern Cutting and Dress Design  
**Course ID:** C3127197  
**Start date:** 14/09/2019  
**End date:** 14/12/2019  
**Day(s)/time(s):** Sat 09:30  
**Number of sessions:** 13  
**Hours per session:** 4  
**Tutor:** Naazim Qureshi  
**Additional hours:**  
**Online Learning Hours:** 0  

**Specific funder/partner requirements:**  
**Awarding body (if any):**  
**Title of qualification to be gained:**  
**Level:**  
**Fee:** £202.80 or **Free** if you are in receipt of an income related benefit (only SFA funded)  
**Accreditation Fee (if applicable):**  

**Venue:** Sidney Stringer Academy, 2 Primrose Hill Street, Coventry, West Midlands, CV1 5LY  

**Theme(s):** The WEA has four themes it uses for planning its provision.  
**Employability** – helping students to get a job or to make progress in their employment  
**Health and Wellbeing** – making a positive contribution to their own or others health and wellbeing  
**Community Engagement** – encouraging students to be positively involved in their communities  
**Culture** – learning about diverse cultures, identities and environments  

The Theme(s) used in planning your course is/ are:  
1. **Community Engagement**  
2.  

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**Course Aim**  
The course aims to provide students with a broad range of skills in dressmaking and pattern cutting.

**Course Description**  
Students will learn how to use a sewing machine, produce a range of samples, learn basic pattern cutting and garment construction skills and create a garment to a good standard. Students will learn new skills to make clothes for themselves and work towards enrolling on an accredited sewing course or employment. The course is intended for anyone wishing to complete sewing (dressmaking) projects.

**Do I need any particular skills or experience?**

**What will I achieve?**  
**By the end of the course I will be able to:**  
1. Be able to design and draw a simple garment.  
2. Be able to measure accurately using cms and make a basic pattern demonstrating metric pattern cutting skills.  
3. Be able to produce an accurate time and costing sheet for materials.  
4. Be able to produce 8 dress making samples of basic sewing techniques such as, plain seams, flat fell seam, double turned hem, blind hem, a simple neckline with under stitching, inserting a zip open ended dart and closed ended dart.
5. Be able to make garment to a good standard.

### What teaching methods will be used and will there be work outside of the class?
- The WEA tutor will use a range of different teaching and learning methods and encourage you and the group to be actively involved in your learning
- You may be asked to undertake additional work in your own time to support your learning
- You will be expected to carry out a range of activities in your own time

### What kind of feedback can I expect from the tutor?
- A range of informal activities will be used by the tutor to see what you are learning which may include quizzes, question and answer, small projects and discussion
- You will have opportunities to discuss your progress with your tutor
- You will be encouraged to share your work with the group and discuss your learning
- You will be encouraged to consider other students work and give your opinions and suggestions
- A file of work will be kept which will help to record your progress
- There will be a number of tasks appropriate to your course such as written work, creating art or craft, video, photography or small projects. Some of these may be marked to help you progress

### What else do I need to know? Is there anything I need to bring?
- Students will need to bring with them their own basic sewing kit containing, pin cushion, scissors, tape measure, tracing wheel, safety thimble, hand sewing needles, seam ripper, pins, and dressmakers carbon paper. Purchase their own fabric and thread separately.

### Pre-course work, reading and information sources
- No pre reading or pre course work is required

### Possible next steps after this course (including career opportunities if appropriate)
- Progress to another WEA course
- Progress to a course with another provider
- This course could lead to a range of job opportunities. Follow link to National Careers Service for more details https://nationalcareersservice.direct.gov.uk/
- Become involved with the WEA in a range of voluntary work and other activities including campaigning as a WEA member
- Become involved as a volunteer for a WEA partner or another organisation
- You could progress to Higher Education courses. Follow link to the PEARL website for information http://pearl.open.ac.uk/

### Learning with the WEA
WEA courses increasingly make use of the rich variety of educational tools and material available on the internet and from digital devices. The WEA’s digital learning platform, Canvas will play an increasing role in all WEA courses to provide resources or support, or to conduct lessons, enable assessment, provide learner feedback and for other activities for individuals away from the course. It is helpful, although not essential if you have access to a computer or smartphone to support your course.

You can read about your entitlements and responsibilities as a WEA student in our leaflet, Student
Handbook here [http://www.wea.org.uk/learn-wea/student-support](http://www.wea.org.uk/learn-wea/student-support) This includes information on fees, learning support and financial support. As part of your course you accept our Learning Agreement and Privacy Notice. Full details of the Learning Agreement and privacy notice can be found on our website at [http://www.wea.org.uk/policies](http://www.wea.org.uk/policies). This applies to all courses you take in this academic year.

You can enrol online for some courses [http://www.wea.org.uk/learn-wea/course-search](http://www.wea.org.uk/learn-wea/course-search) or contact: WEA Support Services, Suite 10B Joseph’s Well, Hanover Way, Leeds, West Yorkshire, LS3 1AB Tel: 0300 303 3464 Email: courseenquiries@wea.org.uk

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