

WEA Course Information Sheet 2017-18



Course title: Sewing for Beginners		Course ID: C3742672
Start date: 16/04/2018	End date: 02/07/2018	Day(s)/time(s): Mon 09:30
Number of sessions: 10	Hours per session: 2.5	Tutor Muneera Arshad
Additional hours:	Specific funder/partner requirements:	
Awarding body (if any): Title of qualification to be gained:		Level: Entry 1
Fee: £75.00 or Free if you are in receipt of an income related benefit (only SFA funded) Accreditation Fee (if applicable):		
Venue: Clovelly Centre, 60-68 Clovelly Road, Southampton, Hampshire, SO14 0AU		
<p>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</p> <p>The Theme(s) used in planning your course is/ are:</p> <p>1. Employability 2. Health and Wellbeing</p>		

<p>Course Aim</p> <p>To introduce learners to and use basic sewing tools, work functional and decorative hand stitches. Thread and operate a sewing machine with the aim to be able to sew independently.</p>
<p>Course Description</p> <p>This course is open for beginners and learners who would like to refresh or improve their sewing skills. Identify and name basic sewing tools. Be able to name and work two temporary stitches, two permanent hand stitches and two decorative hand stitches. Learn about pattern markings, layout of fabric, cutting seaming and pressing. They will also be taught how to thread and operate a sewing machine. Each session will begin with group learning aided by samples and hand outs. You will learn about seam finishes and types of seams according to weight of fabric used. You will also work on a simple lined zipped pouch as a practical project and perhaps have time to start and complete an apron.</p>
<p>Do I need any particular skills or experience?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - No skills or experience needed - This course is for beginners - This course is for improvers - This course is suitable for beginners and improvers - This course is for women only as it is held in a women's centre
<p>What will I achieve?</p>

By the end of the course I will be able to:

1. Know the health and safety issues around using a sewing machine, iron and other related equipment.
2. Identify, name and explain the function of basic sewing tools.
3. Identify, name and work six hand stitches
4. Name and work 3-4 different seams
5. Make a small item e.g. a bag or an apron.

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
- Online media - youtube videos

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?

- All materials will be provided
- It would be helpful if you had access to the internet (Mobile phone, tablet or computer at home or through a library etc.)

Pre-course work, reading and information sources

- No pre reading is required but research on the subject on the internet or in the library may be helpful

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/>
- Access the WEA What Next? booklet here <http://www.wea.org.uk/learn-wea/what-can-i-do-next>

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> This includes information on fees, learning support and financial support. As part of your course you accept a Learning Agreement. Full details of the Learning Agreement can be found on our website at <http://www.wea.org.uk/about-us/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> 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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