

SCHOOL OF FASHION STUDIES

LEARN THE ART AND SCIENCE OF FASHION

WHY FASHION STUDIES?

Drive positive change and lead the next generation of artists and designers by nurturing your talent, and discovering your artistic identity through the arts. Here at the NAFA Faculty of Art & Design, School of Fashion Studies, we encourage you to develop your passion for design whilst learning how to be effective creative thinkers, problem solvers and builders of the future.


View fashion from new angles through learning the latest technology and 3D skills, which are crucial for you to thrive in the ever-changing world of fashion.

Hone your research skills and ability to analyse fashion trends on a global scale.

Showcase your skills and knowledge across multiple platforms, both local and international, and build valuable connections with industry experts.

All diploma programmes within the School of Fashion Studies have the option of progressing seamlessly into Bachelor's degree programmes validated by the world-renowned University of the Arts London, if you desire to further deepen your expertise and craft.





By Geronimo Jhorell Terence Palor
Diploma in Fashion Merchandising and Marketing

STUDENT VOICES



Ow Ze Fei
Alumna, Diploma in Fashion Design

At NAFA, there are plenty of opportunities to experiment freely and express myself creatively in the process. With my lecturers as pillar of support, I learnt to accept and embrace criticism to improve my craft.



Radha Kashyap
Alumna, Diploma in Fashion Merchandising and Marketing

I think NAFA approaches art and design education the right way – a mix of idealism and realism. NAFA gives their students freedom to explore their own ideas but holds them accountable for the practicality of the idea, creating a good simulation of what the industry standards are.

EDUCATION PATHWAYS

Chart your fashion odyssey at NAFA's School of Fashion Studies.

Start strong with the
NAFA Foundation Programme

Choose your specialisation
Diploma in Fashion Business and Management
Diploma in Fashion Design

Design your future
Bachelor of Arts (Honours) Design Practice

NAFA FOUNDATION PROGRAMME

TAKE YOUR FIRST STEP INTO THE ARTS WITH NAFA FOUNDATION PROGRAMME

Designed as a bridge for Secondary 4 Normal (Academic) students, the NFP readies you for successful completion of a diploma course.

PRACTICE-BASED LEARNING

Dive into a hands-on learning experience tailored to let you acquire and apply essential foundational skills in your chosen artistic field.

SKILLS FOR TERTIARY EDUCATION

Build a robust foundation of the arts, research techniques and language and communication abilities. Equip yourself with the crucial academic skill sets that pave the way for successful tertiary education.

FOUNDATIONAL DISCIPLINE-SPECIFIC SKILL SETS

Through elective modules spanning visual and performing arts as well as arts management, refine and develop skills in your area of interest.

Find out more



DIPLOMA IN FASHION DESIGN

Fuel your fashion design ambitions with our three-year Diploma in Fashion Design programme and master core design skills 2D and 3D techniques, fabric studies, fashion communication and garment construction. Leverage your professional network with us and thrive in the fashion industry.

Acquire Fashion Knowledge and Skills Incrementally: Dive deep into the latest design techniques, including advanced technology and 3D proficiency, ensuring your relevance in the dynamic world of fashion.

Up Your Game with Research and Analytical Skills: Explore trend analysis and global fashion landscape studies, and sharpen your analytical skills to drive effective presentations and innovative design solutions.

Gain Opportunities to Showcase Your Eye for Fashion: Leverage an industry-led approach that offers multiple platforms to spotlight your designs. From local showcases to international competitions, you can present your unique fashion vision to the world.

Find out more



Ohen
by Nur Farhana Binte Abdul Aziz,
Siti Norbayah Binte Mohd Ali and
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Diploma in Fashion Merchandising and marketing

DIPLOMA IN FASHION BUSINESS AND MANAGEMENT

Become the fashion mogul of your dreams with our three-year Diploma in Fashion and Business Management programme. This programme provides a comprehensive view of the entire production journey, from initial product development to the final stages of garment production. You will nurture your foundational skills in fashion business and emphasise advanced aspects like digital design and computer-aided manufacturing, enabling you to make a confident debut in the fashion realm.

Build Your Foundation in Fashion: Gain a firm foundation and understanding in fashion business, marketing, and design management, positioning yourself as an industry expert.

Excel in Fashion Business: Acquire rich knowledge in product development, retail buying and trend analysis. Enhance this with key mathematical skills, sharpening your prowess as a fashion business specialist.

Immerse in Cross-Diploma Learning and Collaboration: Reap the benefits of collaborating with students in Diploma in Fashion Design, where you will network with industry peers and build valuable partnerships.

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BACHELOR OF ARTS (HONOURS) DESIGN PRACTICE

Design your future in the arts with our BA (Hons) Design Practice. Validated by world-renowned University of the Arts London, this three-year degree equips you with the technical competencies and a global perspective of design trends. An enriching seven-week placement at the University of the Arts London will give you the opportunity to gain insights from an international perspective, allowing you to incorporate new ideas into your projects and further broaden your horizons.

Obtain Specialisation in a Design Domain: Acquire key knowledge, skills and professional attributes in one of four design domains: 3-Dimensional, communication, fashion, and spatial.

Engage in Interdisciplinary Collaboration and Learning: Explore interdisciplinary projects through classes in Design Insights, Design Futures, and Business Studies—which will deepen your learning to see design as a synergetic fusion of different perspectives. Showcase your integrated learning and creativity in your final semester with a student-led transdisciplinary project.

Enjoy the Benefits of an Industry-led Curriculum: Benefit from our industry-oriented curriculum featuring internships, overseas immersions and live client projects, linking academic knowledge with real-world applications.

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INTERNSHIP & INDUSTRY COLLABORATIONS

Across distinctive industry collaborations, our students have collaborated with esteemed organisations such as BINHouse Indonesia, Binary Style, and local label MAX. TAN. Studio. Our students have also secured internships with leading companies such as Club 21, Prada, Island shop, Le Petit Society, GRAYE, and GINLEE Studio. With an industry-led approach, you will gain critical skill sets that prime you for the fashion industry.

Our community-centric initiatives with esteemed institutions, such as the Asian Civilisations Museum and NEFFUL International,

ensure you are not just confined to the fashion runway. These projects empower you to weave fashion into broader narratives, integrating design, history, and culture, and gain opportunities to showcase your talent on esteemed platforms, including the Harper's BAZAAR Asia NewGen Fashion Award, Men's Folio Designer of the Year Award, and Arts Thread.

Here, it's more than just about participation; it's where your skills, knowledge, and flair converge to spotlight you as the next leading name in fashion.



STUDENT LIFE

Dive into the NAFA life—where learning meets fun!

At NAFA, student life is an invigorating blend of learning, self-expression and fun. From the NAFA Makers' Market to International Student's Night, our lively calendar keeps your campus life engaging and exciting. Join student-led clubs, such as the Basketball Club and K-Pop Dance Club to bond with like-minded peers and network within the creative student community. Through our Student Leader Training Camp, you will gain leadership skills and become role models within our community.

OVERSEAS ENGAGEMENT

Immerse in enriching experiences with our student exchange programmes and international collaborative projects for expanded classroom learning.

As a second-year Bachelor of Arts (Honours) in Design Practice student, you will spend five to seven weeks at the University of the Arts London on an international placement to study with global practitioners and experts in design. During your stay in London, you will be exposed to the cultural richness of the city while gaining new insights into the realms of art and design at an international level.

CAREER PATHWAYS

NAFA's School of Fashion Studies programmes prepare you for dynamic careers in the creative industries. Further broaden your possibilities with our Bachelor of Arts (Honours) Design Practice programme.

Diploma in Fashion Design

Costume Designer
Fashion Designer
Fashion Journalist
Fashion Photographer Assistant
Fashion Research Consultant
Fashion Stylist
Garment Production Team
Garment Technologist
Pattern Cutter/Pattern Maker
Textile Designer

Diploma in Fashion Business and Management

Event Management
Fashion Buyer
Fashion Entrepreneur
Fashion Marketing Executive
Fashion Merchandiser
Fashion Product Developer
Fashion Trend Consultant
Retail Management

BA (Hons) Design Practice

Content Creator
Content Writer
Creative Entrepreneur
Creative Technologist
Design Educator
Design Facilitator
Design Futurist
Design Researcher
Design Strategist
Digital Designer
Innovation Consultant
Interdisciplinary Designer
Multidisciplinary Designer
Project Manager
Service/CX/UI UX Designer

SCHOLARSHIPS, FINANCIAL AID AND AWARD SCHEMES

Discover a multitude of financial schemes designed to support your fee payment and study expenses at NAFA.

GOVERNMENT-FUNDED SCHEMES

TUITION GRANT SCHEME

Permanent Residents (diploma and degree) and international students (diploma only) may apply to help with the cost of their tuition fees. Grants awarded are based on merit. Eligible Singaporean Citizens are automatically awarded the grant for their first MOE-funded Diploma or Degree programme.

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Malay Singapore Citizens and Permanent Residents can apply for the education subsidy from Yayasan Mendaki to fund their tuition fees at NAFA.

CPF EDUCATION LOAN SCHEME

Singapore Citizens and Permanent Residents can apply for a loan from their own or a parent's CPF savings account for MOE-funded NAFA programmes.

POST-SECONDARY EDUCATION SCHEME

Eligible students with sufficient funds in their or sibling's Post-Secondary Education Account (PSEA) can use them to fund tuition fees or related study expenses at NAFA.

SKILLSFUTURE CREDIT

Singapore Citizens over 25 years of age can apply to use their SkillsFuture credits to fund eligible programmes at NAFA.

SKILLSFUTURE MID-CAREER ENHANCED SUBSIDY

Singapore Citizens over 40 years of age can apply to pursue their first MOE-funded diploma or degree programme.

HIGHER EDUCATION BURSARY & HIGHER EDUCATION COMMUNITY BURSARY

Singapore Citizens from the low to middle-income families can apply to receive a bursary from the Ministry of Education to fund their studies at NAFA.

DIPLOMA FOUNDATION PROGRAMME BURSARY

Singapore Citizens pursuing the NAFA Foundation Programme can apply for additional help with tuition fees.

GOVERNMENT LOAN SCHEMES

Singapore Citizens and Permanent Residents may apply for the Tuition Fee Loan (TFL) to fund their tuition fees. Applicants who met PCI income criteria and have fully exhausted the TFL quantum may apply for a Study Loan to fund their remaining unpaid tuition fees plus annual living allowance.

FINANCIAL AID SCHEMES

NAFA-KWAN IM THONG HOOD CHO TEMPLE STUDENT RELIEF FUND

Students from families facing unexpected financial crises can receive partial support for programme fee and study expenses.

NAFA STUDENT ASSISTANTSHIP SCHEME

Students may work on campus for extra pocket money to fund necessary education expenses.

NAFA STUDENT NOTEBOOK SUBSIDY SCHEME

Students from lower-income households can apply when purchasing a personal notebook for their programmes.

NAFA OVERSEAS PROGRAMME TRAVEL SUBSIDY

Students on NAFA-approved overseas programmes or study trips can apply.

INTERNATIONAL PLACEMENT TRAVEL GRANT

Degree students who have acquired international placements through NAFA and our partner universities can defray expenses with this grant.

EXTERNAL STUDY LOANS

Students may apply for loans from private financial institutions, banks to fund your education at NAFA.

SCHOLARSHIPS AND FINANCIAL AWARD SCHEMES

NAFA IN-HOUSE SCHOLARSHIPS, MERIT AWARDS AND BURSARIES

Diploma and degree students with outstanding academic results and an excellent track record of achievements in related arts and creative industries may apply for the Scholarships and Merit Awards. Bursaries are available for students who require financial assistance based on household income.

DARE TO DREAM SCHOLARSHIP

Medically certified special needs students with limited financial resources can apply to receive support for their studies at NAFA.

EXTERNAL SCHOLARSHIPS, BURSARIES AND STUDY LOANS

Students may apply to external organisations for awards and financial schemes, as well as study loans from private financial institutions which are available all year round.

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