



# NORTH WEST SCHOOL<sup>OF</sup> DESIGN

# ONE YEAR FASHION DESIGN

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## WELCOME TO NWSD

North West School of Design (NWSD), founded by awarding winning and highly recognized Fashion Entrepreneur Marlene Oosthuizen, has recently celebrated 27 years of training International and South Africa's top designers and fashion professionals.

**NWSD is Accredited by the British Accreditation Council (BAC) as an International Centre.**

This achievement was awarded after the school underwent a rigorous evaluation process as well as an inspection by the BAC Inspectors from the UK.



This International Accreditation is just one step in ensuring that the school's approach to teaching and learning is recognised and quality assured providing our students with a better platform to launch their careers in the fashion industry.

The British Accreditation Council (BAC) provides a comprehensive quality assurance scheme for independent further and higher education in the UK. BAC accreditation is recognised the world over by students, agents, and government officials as the clearest mark of educational quality in the private sector.

The BAC is a member organisation of the European Association for Quality Assurance (ENQA) in Higher Education. The North West School of Design is situated in the 'City of the People' - Klerksdorp, North West. Together with Rustenburg, Klerksdorp forms the economic heart of the Platinum Province, North West Province.

# OUR CAMPUS

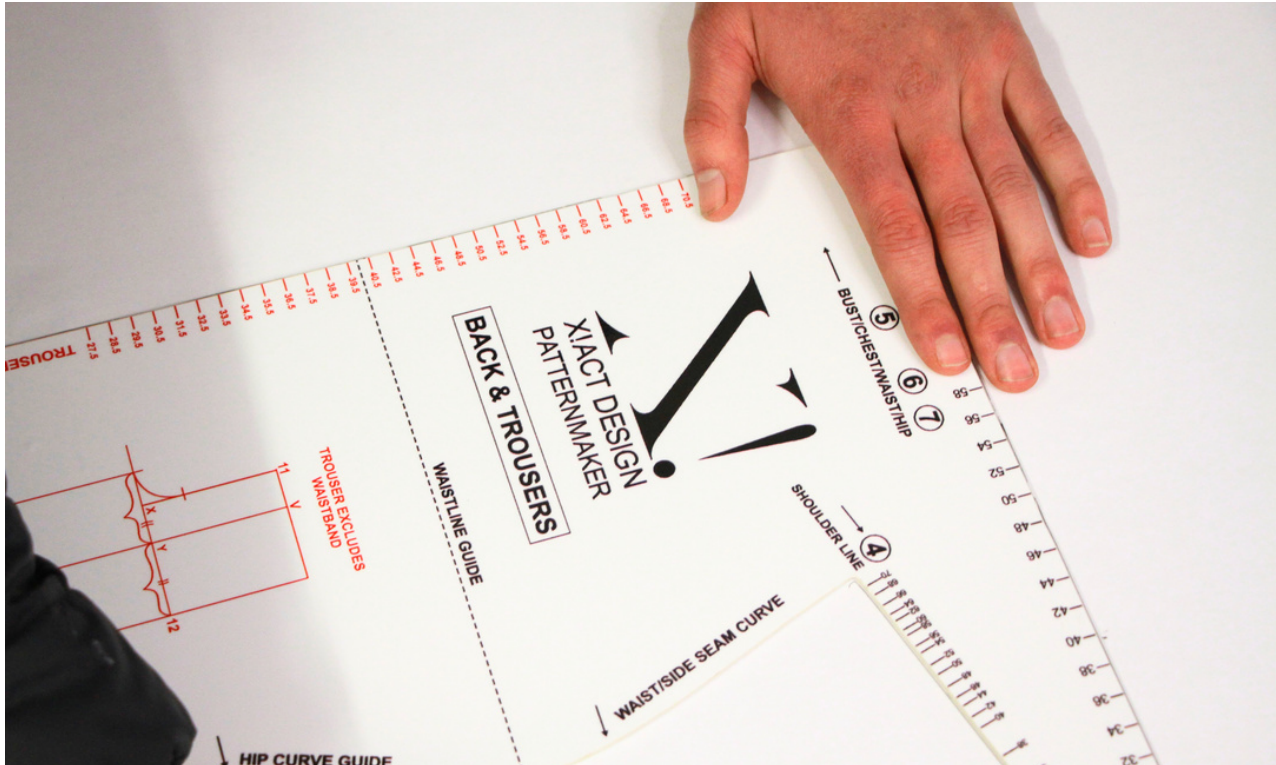
The North West School of Design is a prestigious institution, boasting a vibrant campus café and a state-of-the-art clinic managed by a professional nurse. Recently transformed and expanded, the school now offers even more space and a dynamic workforce.

Nestled in Klerksdorp North West, in the charming Leinr Bk building, owned by the visionary Principal, Ms. Marlene Oosthuizen, the campus provides secure parking and exceptional working spaces. Additionally, students can enjoy a trendy thrift store, a cozy reading room, and with a fully equipped photo studio in the pipeline, making it a hub of creativity and innovation.



# COURSE INFO

The 1-year Fashion Design course provides a structured introduction into the world of fashion design and an understanding of the business of fashion. The course equips participants with practical skillsets and theoretical understanding of fashion design principles.



By using the award-winning X!Act Design Patternmaker™, you are able to create patterns and then construct apparel you have designed. You are also equipped with the insights needed to succeed in the business of fashion and encouraged to develop an entrepreneurial mindset. Upon successful completion of this course, you will be able to further your education by gaining access to the 3-year course for those who wish to further advance their skillsets and aptitude.

Graduates entering the industry have a variety of career options available and gain valuable exposure through real-world work integrated learning experiences at the NWSD Platinum Fashion Festival.in the fashion world.

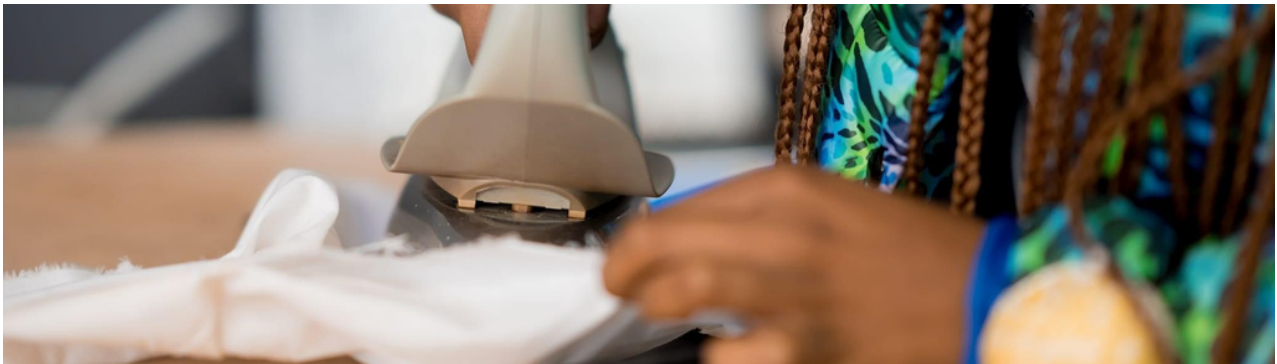


# ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

The NWSD course is comprehensive and intense, and applicants are required to have the following as a minimum criteria:

1. Be 18 years or older
2. Have a National Senior Certificate (NSC) or equivalent
3. Successfully complete the online application test

We welcome applications from students who do not hold a National Senior certificate. Such students will be provisionally enrolled in our one-year foundational program. Upon successful completion of this program, they will be eligible for admission into the second and third years of our comprehensive three-year course to complete their studies.



## YOUR FUTURE IN FASHION

The course consists mostly of practical work and is designed for contact mode learning and therefore it is vital that students attend learning sessions.

If you're considering a 1-year fashion design course, you're looking at a pathway rich with hands-on, creative, and technical opportunities in the fashion industry.

This course is tailored to equip you with skills in garment design and production. You will gain expertise in areas such as design, construction, illustration, pattern engineering, product development, and business management. Such a foundation can open doors to various roles, including:

- **Fashion Designer:** Create original clothing, accessories, and footwear.
- **Pattern Maker:** Develop precise patterns for garments.
- **Product Developer:** Oversee the development of fashion products from concept to completion.
- **Fashion Illustrator:** Bring design ideas to life through detailed drawings.
- **Garment Technologist:** Focus on the design and technical aspects of producing clothing.
- **Fashion Entrepreneur:** Start and manage your own fashion business.

# FULLTIME FEE STRUCTURE



Payments for class fees and other fees can be made directly into the bank account of North West School of Design.

Banking Details will appear on registration form, use initials and surname as reference.

| COURSE FEE                                                                                                               | 1ST YEAR<br>2027                                  |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------|
| Tuition Fees<br>Examination Fee<br>Kit Fees - (Resource Levy, Design kit, Book kit,<br>Manual Kit, Sew Kit, Textiles Kit | R51 000-00<br>R2 500-00<br>R6 500-00<br>R2 000-00 |
| <b>TOTAL</b>                                                                                                             | <b>R62 000-00</b>                                 |
| PAYMENT OPTIONS                                                                                                          | 1ST YEAR<br>2027                                  |
| <b>Option 1: Advanced Payment</b><br>Payable at the beginning of the year by 2 February 2026                             | R62 000-00                                        |
| <b>Option 2: Termly Payment</b><br>Payable at the start of each term January/February, April, July, October              | R15 900-00 X 4 Instalments<br>= R63 600-00        |
| <b>Option 3: Monthly</b><br>Payable at the beginning of each month.                                                      | R5 420-00 X 12<br>Instalments = R65 040-00        |

The total annual course fee is payable in either 4 termly instalments or 12 monthly instalments. Please note that these instalments are the payment plan towards the total course fee and these monthly payments therefore do not coincide with monthly attendance of classes. Registration fees and other fees paid to NWSD are non-refundable. Students will receive a Registration Confirmation letter and student number once the Registration fee is paid and all signed contracts have been issued to NWSD.

**THE ABOVE FEES EXCLUDE THE FOLLOWING:**

|                                                                                                                                                                       |                                              |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------|
| Registration Fee                                                                                                                                                      | R5 600-00                                    |
| <b>PFF Fashion Show Ticket Fee</b><br>Each student receives 10 tickets which they can sell or give to family and friends.                                             | R2000-00<br>October 2027                     |
| PFF Fashion Show Participation fee                                                                                                                                    | R300-00<br>September 2027                    |
| Stationary, Sewing Machine & Laptop                                                                                                                                   | Refer to requisition list for specifications |
| Bridal Challenge Fabric                                                                                                                                               | N/A                                          |
| Swimsuit Project                                                                                                                                                      | N/A                                          |
| Lingerie Project                                                                                                                                                      | N/A                                          |
| Tailoring Project                                                                                                                                                     | N/A                                          |
| Men's Wear Project                                                                                                                                                    | N/A                                          |
| Circular Skirt Project                                                                                                                                                | R250 to R450<br>March 2027                   |
| Hat Making Project                                                                                                                                                    | N/A                                          |
| Corset Project                                                                                                                                                        | R200-00 to R300-00<br>June 2027              |
| Storyboard Project                                                                                                                                                    | R200 to R300<br>February 2027                |
| <b>Fashion Show Collection Fabric</b><br>The final amount needed cannot be estimated as this is dependent on the collection and fabric choices within the collection. | R300 to R3000<br>August 2027                 |

# CERTIFICATION

Please refer to our Legal Status on our website.

At the end of the learning journey, students receive a NWSD Certified Official Graduation Statement which includes the NWSD stamp, the BAC logo, student information as well as the first date of registration, completion date, and the graduation date. Graduates also receive a Certified Transcript detailing the modules and subjects completed. NWSD has successfully, delivered highly qualified and skilled graduates to the fashion industry – with household designer names as alumni for the past 26 years.

NWSD is highly recognised within the fashion industry as a leader in the training of fashion entrepreneurs and the BAC international accreditation confirms this achievement.

# CLASS STRUCTURE AND ATTENDANCE

The course consists mostly of practical work and is designed for contact mode learning and therefore it is vital that students attend learning sessions. Each year consists of 4 terms and term breaks are estimated in accordance with provincial school term-breaks.

- 2027 Classes start on Wednesday, 3 February 2027
- Classes are Monday to Thursday – 08h30 to 16h00
- Fridays: 8h30 to 13h00
- Morning sessions are from 08h30 to 13h30
- Self-directed sessions are from 13h30 to 16h00
- All the above sessions will be attended as essential lecturing sessions and are compulsory class hours.
- Attendance registers are kept at all sessions.

STUDENTS WILL RECEIVE THE 2027 YEAR PLAN AND CLASS SCHEDULES WITH TERM ALLOCATIONS

# STUDENT ACCOMMODATION

The North West School of Design does not house students, although we have contacts of available accommodation near the college. The admissions officer or the institute administrator will gladly assist registered students with finding accommodation on request.



# HOW TO REGISTER

Visitors are welcomed any academic day of the year for assistance with the application and registration process.

If you need help with your application, please feel free to:

- Go to the Contact us page
- Send an email to our Admissions Office, [admissions@nwsd.co.za](mailto:admissions@nwsd.co.za)
- Phone us: +27 (0)18 462 5149

Here are the steps to take when applying to study at NWSD:

## **STEP 1:** Get the Prospectus

Once you have worked through our course offerings and legal status and have established which course you would like to apply for, make sure to go through the course prospectus so that you are more familiar with our admissions criteria, class schedule, subject structures and examination procedures.

## **STEP 2:** Payment of Registration fee

It is vital that you pay your registration fee so to secure your seat.

## **STEP 3:** Complete the Registration form

Once you have completed the form, please email or deliver to the admissions officer ([admissions@nwsd.co.za](mailto:admissions@nwsd.co.za))

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