

TEXTILES AND DESIGN, CERTIFICATE

The certificate in textiles and design allows students from any major to gain a fundamental understanding of the creative and innovative application of textiles and visual design. By nature, textiles are interdisciplinary, weaving together art, commerce, history, culture, technology, material culture, and science. Students will develop artistic and technical skills valuable for both pursuing a professional career in the textile industry and nurturing personal creative interests.

The certificate in textiles and design is an opportunity for students from a variety of disciplines to engage in an in-depth exploration of textiles. Studio courses cultivate a rich understanding of the physical and creative interaction of materials, techniques, and concepts: pattern, networks, woven structures, flexible materials, the interaction of multiples, tactility, color, and imagery. Students have the opportunity to be creative in design studios, using both low-tech handmade techniques and complex high-tech computer-generated systems.

The courses offered in this 12-credit certificate are broad and varied, allowing students to personalize course groupings to best enhance their major and area of interest.