Course Syllabus
DMT 131 – Spring 2008
Basic Clothing Construction

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I. Title:  DMT 131 Basic Apparel Construction
   Class Meeting times:  MW 12:40-3:10 (CRN 32791)
                      TR 12:45- 3:15 (CRN 32792)
   Academic Complex- Room 307/309B

II. Course Description
    Study of basic principles of apparel construction; Concepts include pattern, fabric, and equipment
    selection. Students experiment with construction techniques. Laboratory.

III. Purpose
    To develop skill in using the basic principles of apparel construction. Hands-on experience will be
    utilized in learning construction techniques and making apparel projects.

IV. Course Objectives:
    The student will be able to:
    A. Acquire knowledge of section, use and care of sewing equipment
    B. Become familiar with coordination of fabrics, patterns and supportive materials
    C. Perform basic pattern alterations
    D. Evaluate fit of garments
    E. Become knowledgeable of and learn how to handle knit and woven fabrics
    F. Develop skill in constructing basic apparel projects

V. Course Outline
   A. Basic Equipment & Sewing Machine Parts
   B. Machine Sewing
   C. Fabric Fundamentals
   D. Basic Techniques
   E. Seam and finishes
   F. Zipper applications
   G. Hem
   H. Hand stitches
   I. Closures
   J. Unlined pockets
   K. Set-in sleeves
   L. Collars
   M. Body measurements
   N. Pattern and fabric selection
   O. Layout, cutting, marking
   P. Construction of apparel garments
   Q. Knits
   R. Appliqué

VI. Instructional Activities
    A. Lecture
    B. Textbook readings
    C. Classroom demonstrations
    D. Practical applications

VII. Resources
IX. Grading Procedures:

A. Assignments

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<td>Knit Project</td>
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Total Points: 850

B. Grade Distribution:

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C. Projects:

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<td>1</td>
<td>Use McCall’s pattern M5010 or M4724</td>
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<td>Bottom should have a waistband or waist facing, darts or dart equivalents and a zipper; Top should have sleeves, collar, darts/dart equivalents buttons/zipper</td>
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<td>3</td>
<td>Knit ensemble: baby pattern</td>
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D. FIVE points will be deducted for every class period assignments are late. Late assignments can be turned in no later than one week after the assignment is due. Excused absences will require a “late contract” specifying the completion date for the missed assignment.

X. Attendance Policy

Students are expected to attend every class, be on time, and remain in class the full duration of the period. Failure to attend class, tardiness, and leaving early will constitute the lowering of your grade. Each unexcused absence or tardy will lower your FINAL grade by 5 points.

XI. Text and Supplies (BRING TO CLASS EVERY CLASS PERIOD!)

A. Text: Singer The New Sewing Essentials

Course packet (University Text Books, across from McCormick Hall) REQUIRED

B. Supplies/Sewing aids

Required Sewing Kit will contain the following: (DUE and bring to class by Monday Jan. 28/Tuesday Jan. 29)

**Kit Contains:**

- 3 yds of fabric for sample sewing
- 1 pkg. straight pins
- 1 invisible zipper
- 1 pkg. hand needles
- 1 regular zipper
- ½ yd. iron-on interfacing
- 1 seam gauge
- Needles for assigned machine*
- 1 tape measure
- Bobbins for assigned machine*
- 1 seam ripper
- 1 spool thread for sample sewing
- 1 marking pen
- Pin Cushion
- 1 spool basting tape
- Choice of "Not-so-Square-Bag kit"
- Choice of Button-Back pillow kit
- Choice of Apron Kit

Cost to student: $82.00

If kit is purchased by Saturday, Jan 26th, student will receive a 10% discount.

The Kentucky Quilt Company (inside the Sewing & Vacuum Center)

1575 Campbell Lane Bowling Green, KY 42104 842-2434
C. Sewing Supplies to purchase on your own
   Shears for cutting fabric*
   Scissors for cutting paper
   See-through ruler 12” or 15”
   Canned air
   Fabric for back pack, Project 1 (PJ’s); Project 2 –top or bottom and Project 3-knit project
   Matching thread for each project
   Patterns for project 1 and project 2 (patterns may not be shared)

   Fabric stores in the local area
   The Sewing Center – Campbell Lane (in front of Lowes and Target)
   Hancock Fabrics – Scottsville Rd across from the Mall
   Hobby Lobby – Scottsville Rd
   Wal-mart

XII. Prerequisites: None

XIII. Disability
   “Students will disabilities who require accommodations (academic adjustments and/or auxiliary aids
       or services) for this course must contact the Office of Student Disability Services, Room 445,
       Potter Hall. The OFSDS phone is (270)745-5004 V/TDD.
   “Please Do NOT request accommodations directly from the professor without a letter of
       accommodation from the Office for Student Disability Services”

XIV. Plagiarism
   Plagiarism is a serious offense and is considered an act of Academic Dishonesty. The academic
   work of a student must be his/her own. Students who commit any acts of academic dishonesty may
   receive a failing grade. The faculty member may also present the case to the Office of the Dean of
   Student Life for disciplinary sanctions.

Late Contract

________________________ (project missed) due to ____________________________, will be completed on
____________________ (date).

_________________________ Student

_________________________ Instructor approval

Late projects will not be accepted without this contract. Absence must be excused.

(Note: The instructor reserves the right to change the format of this outline as circumstances permit.)