



prepare you for employment. You will develop your communication, presentation, research and analytical skills; your visual and critical awareness; and your knowledge of the textile design world and related employment. You will arrange a public presentation of your work in your final year, and will be encouraged to engage with a defined public through your designs.

Work experience opportunities

If you wish to further enhance your learning, and gain direct experience relating to your chosen career, the School will support you in seeking, and benefiting from, an industrial placement, to take place after year 2.

Study abroad opportunities

If you wish to study abroad, and are suitably qualified, you may extend your course to study for a year at one of several overseas universities, including institutions in Europe, Australia, and the U.S.A. Overseas placements take place after year 2.

Career destinations

On completion of this course, you will be equipped for a range of opportunities in employment, or postgraduate study.

These include careers in creative design and the related services, such as marketing and the retail sector. Examples of graduate careers include in-house or freelance textile and fashion design, design management, buying, and marketing.

University scholarships

The University offers a range of undergraduate bursaries and scholarships to support students in their studies. Please go to the University of Leeds' website at www.leeds.ac.uk for full details.

Applying to study in the School of Design

Applications should be made online through UCAS, the Universities and Colleges Admissions Service. Please go to their website at www.ucas.com, for details of how to apply. You may apply to the School through either **Route A (course code W232) or Route B (course code E232)**. We recommend earlier application through Route A. **The University of Leeds' UCAS code is L23.**

Entry requirements

The School of Design bases its offer of a place on careful consideration of information provided in the UCAS application form. Pre-A level qualifications, including GCSEs, your personal statement, and academic reference are all of importance. Good performance at 'A' level (or equivalent) is regarded as essential. Candidates will be invited to meet with course tutors, and show a portfolio of practical work.

You are required to have a minimum of six subjects at GCSE level to grade C or above, including English Language. Maths or a science subject and Art or Textiles are expected. Three 'A' level subjects to grades B, B, C or above are required, including an art subject to grade B. Equivalent qualifications may also be considered. Art and design foundation course qualifications are welcomed as an additional qualification to 'A' levels, but are not a requirement for entry.

Applicants without standard entry requirements will be required to attend for interview and to show their portfolio of work. The candidate's experience, skills and

knowledge will be considered in relation to the academic and practical challenges of the course.

Visiting the School of Design

If we offer you a place, you will be invited to attend one of our **School open days**, where you will have the opportunity to find out more about studying textile design at Leeds, and the facilities available. If you want to find out more about the BA in Textile Design prior to application, you are welcome to attend one of these events, which include presentations about the course and a tour of the School.

You will find the dates of scheduled events on our School website at www.leeds.ac.uk/design or by phoning **0113 343 3700**, during office hours.

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BA (Hons) Textile Design

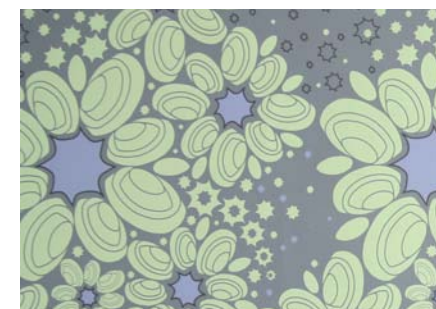
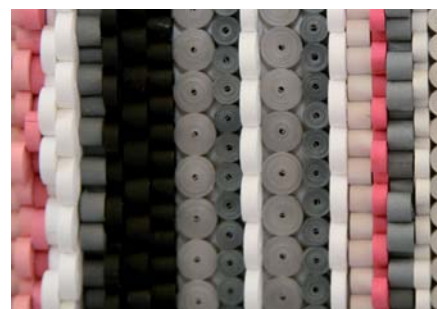
BA (Hons) Textile Design at the University of Leeds

The University of Leeds is a top civic university in the heart of one of the UK's most fashionable and student friendly cities. Textile design is well established at Leeds, and many of our graduates are successful fabric designers and business leaders in the UK and overseas. Our unique BA (Hons) degree will enable you to study textile design in a stimulating and internationally renowned academic environment. Our unique course enables you to study artistic, theoretical, and technical aspects of textile design, to reflect the needs of industry and commerce. You will acquire professional skills through your academic studies and your practice, and be well prepared for your future career.



Studying Textile Design at Leeds

Our exciting BA (Hons) degree course develops your creativity in textile design within an intellectually stimulating learning and research environment. A framework of academic studies, delivered by experts from a range of design disciplines, gives a dynamic context to your specialist textile design studies. You may also develop complementary skills and knowledge through a choice of optional subjects, and/or elective subjects offered by the School or other university departments. A wide range of 'electives' are available, in many different subjects, from across the University.



Course structure

The BA (Hons) Textile Design is a three-year course. All students follow the same scheme of study in year 1, and undertake specialist study in years 2 and 3.

In Year 1, you will undertake core studies in the historic, cultural and technological aspects of art and design. Alongside your academic work, you will be introduced to the fundamental principles of design, with a view to developing skills in drawing, painting and the use of colour.

In Year 2, you will develop your academic understanding of the core subjects and an awareness of professional standards. You will focus your studio practice and specialise in one of the following:

- Mixed-media-textile design
- Textiles for fashion
- Knitted textiles
- Woven textiles

If you choose the mixed media textiles or the textiles for fashion specialism, you will study specialist textile modules based upon mixed media practice. This includes materials manipulation, digital fabric printing, repeat pattern drafting, drawing and painting. You may develop an understanding of the properties and structure of unconventional materials containing fibres - such as paper, nonwovens, and composite textile materials, as well as an understanding of how these can be employed in creative practice.

If you select textiles for fashion as your specialism, you will gain a knowledge of the basic skills required



to make and design garments, as well as an awareness of the relevant manufacturing processes.

If you select woven or knitted textiles as your specialism, you will be given the opportunity to develop innovative and contemporary designs based upon your own visual and market research. Using a variety of media, you will explore textile structures in order to gain the experience necessary to realise exciting and creative designs.

If you choose textiles for fashion, knitted textiles or woven textiles as your specialism, the curriculum will include the study of technical aspects of fabric composition, to provide you with the knowledge and skills required to influence the form, colour, 3D structuring, and other properties of textile materials. This area is informed by internationally

leading research work in the School.

In Year 3, you will work towards a final exhibition of design work and produce a written investigation into a textiles' subject of your choice.

Subjects studied

Year 1: Textile Design Specialism; History and Theory of Art and Design; Patterns and Culture; Fundamentals of Imaging; optional/elective subject/s

Year 2: Textile Design Specialism; Design Theory; Digital Design; Design Management and Marketing; optional/elective subject/s

Year 3: Textile Design Specialism; dissertation; optional/elective subject/s; final exhibition.

Professional skills for your career

Through your degree studies you will actively develop a range of skills to

