



**CTCFD**  
cape town college of fashion design

Advanced Diploma in Fashion  
**Prospectus 2021**

**50** YEARS  
OF FASHION  
EXCELLENCE

# CTCFD

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# 2021 Academic Calendar

## 1st Term

01 February – 01 April

## 2nd Term

19 April – 18 June

## 3rd Term

12 July – 10 September

## 4th Term

27 September – 26 November

\*Please note that these dates are subject to change

## Vision Statement

**The vision of Cape Town College of Fashion Design (Pty) Ltd is to:**

- Be a centre of excellence.
- Be a respected member of the fashion industry in South Africa.
- Develop the full potential of each and every student.
- Have a culture that recognises the unique and diverse needs of the individual and the greater community.
- To create awareness of ethical and sustainable practice.
- Support the development of an African Design Identity drawing from cultural heritage

## Mission Statement

To provide innovative education that is responsive to the ever changing creative and technological developments in the fashion industry and to produce designers who possess the knowledge, skills, design passion and work ethic to be highly employable in their chosen profession or successful entrepreneurs.

## Registration and Accreditation

The Cape Town College of Fashion Design (Pty) Ltd has successfully achieved full accreditation through the Council on Higher Education to offer a 3 Year Diploma in Fashion Design (Ref No: H/PR122/E002CAN). The College is also fully registered as a Private Higher Education Institution in terms of Section 54(3) of the

Higher Education Act, 1977 (Act No 101 of 1977), and Regulation 16(4)b of the Regulations for the Registration of Private Higher Education Institutions, 2002, until 31 December 2024. Registration No 2014/HE07/005. The Diploma is registered on the NQF, SAQA No 87426.

# Board of Directors

**The Director's of the Cape Town College of Fashion Design are:**

Gregg Maragelis - Head of Institution  
Michele Wallis - Head of Administration

## Head of Institution Gregg Maragelis

As a multi-award winning celebrated designer, Mr Maragelis joined the college in 2003 as the Fashion Design lecturer. He was appointed as a Director and Head of Institution in 2010 and is also currently the HOD of Fashion Design, facilitating this module on all three levels of the programme. He has achieved academic qualifications in both Fine Art and Fashion Design and thereafter had 15 years of fashion industry working experience, working alongside designer Errol Arendz, as the Head Designer for luxury brand Jenni Button and later, running his own business which supplied 45 stores internationally. Mr Maragelis also produced menswear brand Alter Ego for YDE. This wealth of experience enables him to mentor fashion design studies way beyond just theory.

Mr Maragelis is currently a Board Director for the Cape Town Fashion Council, and has served as Board Director for the South African Fashion Council. Mr Maragelis continues to mentor headline talent in South Africa and is known for his extensive reach in the industry.

## Head of Administration Michele Wallis

Mrs Wallis, the daughter of college founder Betty Keet, joined CTCFD at the end of 2007 having spent most of her working life working in the fashion industry in various administrative roles. Mrs Wallis has worked at Woolworths, Truworths and Seasprite in a secretarial capacity. It was while at Seasprite that she developed an interest in computers, and thereafter joined Deqtime, a company which ran a bureau for many clothing manufacturers. Mrs Wallis assisted these companies with the running of their manufacturing processes using a computerised clothing manufacturing system.

After working with Deqtime, she joined a computer company lecturing on commercial computer packages as well as continuing with the installation and training on the computerised clothing manufacturing system within the entire Seardel group. In 2003 she qualified with a Diploma in Financial Management through Varsity College and thereafter was involved part-time assisting with bookkeeping functions at two other small businesses before joining CTCFD.

## Administration

### **Gail Minnaar** **Administrative Assistant**

With 15 years administrative experience, Ms Minaar joined CTCFD at the start of 2015. Ms Minaar's role is to assist the Administrative Head as well as the Faculty Staff and students with the day-to-day running of the college.

### **Katherine Collins** **Quality Assurance Manager**

Miss Collins completed her Advanced Diploma in 2020, specializing in Human Centered Design. She has 3 years teaching experience at both CTCFD and The Fashion Institute of Garment Technology, having taught at our sister campus in 2019. Miss Collins lectures in History across all 3 levels of study in the Diploma programme. She was promoted to the position of Quality Assurance Manager at the beginning of 2020.

## Faculty

### **Charis Corbishley** **Academic Head / Advanced Diploma Supervisor**

Mrs Corbishley graduated from CTCFD in 2011, winning the coveted 'Student of the Year' award, which afforded her an internship with one of SA's leading fashion designers, Suzaan Heyns. Since the completion of her internship in 2012, Mrs Corbishley has been lecturing in various capacities including in Fashion Design and Digital Fashion Application. Mrs Corbishley was selected as a finalist in the ELLE Rising Star Competition, showing her collection at Mercedes Benz Fashion Week Africa in 2014. She is currently completing a Masters Degree in Higher Education Studies at UCT specializing in curriculum development. She was promoted to the position of Academic Head at the beginning of 2020.

### **Zaida Orgill** **Garment Technology Expert Practitioner**

Mrs Orgill joined CTCFD in 2005, and is a skilled seamstress, having worked in this capacity in the industry for many years prior to joining the college. She has an integral role as expert practitioner in the Garment Technology department, passing on essential real-world experience.

## Support Staff

### **Wendy Venfolo** **General Cleaner**

# Admission Requirements

The minimum entry requirement is a National Diploma (NQF level 6, 360 credits), or a Bachelors Degree (NQF level 7) in fashion, fashion design or cognate field.

Prospective learners have to be legal South African citizens or present a valid passport and study permit.

Students applying to study the Advanced Diploma in Fashion who have qualified at another institution will be required to undergo an interview process with the Directors and Course Supervisor. They will be required to submit a portfolio of previous work completed during their Diploma studies.

# International Students

South African citizens will be given preference during the selection procedure and acceptance of international students is subject to space availability. International students are required to submit a completed application form in addition to the following documentation:

- Certified copy of passport (identification page)

- Certified copy of study permit
- Certified copies of academic transcripts, certificates or diplomas of any additional qualifications
- Proof of residential address
- Registration fee
- Proof of sufficient English literacy

# RPL Procedure

Students who do not meet the minimum entrance requirements can apply for Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL). Prior learning will be recognised if the student is able to demonstrate competence in the knowledge, skills, values and attitudes

embedded in the core of this qualification. A portfolio submission, interview and a variety of tests will be used to determine suitability. Please contact the College for more details.

# Financial Aid

The College offers bursaries each year to those students who have completed the 3 Year Full-Time Diploma in Fashion Design at CTCFD and who have proven to be worthy of this opportunity.

Student loans can be obtained through

any commercial banking institution, e.g. ABSA, Standard, or through Eduloan, who specialise in student loans. These loans are able to cover both fees and extra study requirements. Please contact Administration for further information in this regard.

## Health & Safety

The Management team at the Cape Town College of Fashion Design (Pty) Ltd will strive to do everything within reason to protect the health and safety of its students and staff. The objective is to provide an effective health and safety programme of a high standard which is subject to continuous improvement.

We believe that:

- Accidents, injuries and occupational diseases are preventable.
- Management is responsible for creating an environment conducive to achieving this.
- Training staff to work safely is essential in this pursuit.
- Safety requires the involvement and commitment of all staff members.
- Accident prevention is also good business practice.

It is the right of all:

Staff, academic and administrative, both full-time and part-time students, visitors, incl. guest lecturers to work and learn in an environment that is safe, clean, well-lit and well-ventilated

*Full Occupational Health & Safety Policy is available on request or can be downloaded from our website.*

## Language Policy

Programmes are delivered in English in accordance with the College Language Policy. It is the student's responsibility to ensure that s/he is able to understand and communicate effectively in this language.

## Policy on Disability

The Cape Town College of Fashion Design (Pty) Ltd will treat all employees and students with dignity and respect and will provide an environment for learning and working that is free from unlawful discrimination, harassment, bullying and victimisation. The Cape Town College of Fashion Design (Pty) Ltd is committed to an Equal Opportunities environment and recognises the importance and value of diversity. It recognises its social, moral and statutory duty to admit and employ people with disabilities.

The Cape Town College of Fashion Design (Pty) Ltd would like individuals who apply to The Cape Town College of Fashion Design (Pty) Ltd to be confident that they will receive fair treatment and be considered on their ability to do the job or training. The Cape Town College of Fashion Design (Pty) Ltd employment and admissions policies aim to ensure that people with disabilities receive treatment that is fair, equitable and consistent with their skills and abilities. Similarly, The Cape Town College of Fashion Design (Pty) Ltd admits students to the available places on its courses based on their academic ability and motivation.

The Cape Town College of Fashion Design (Pty) Ltd will make every effort, if an existing employee or student becomes disabled, to retrain and retain them wherever practicable.

*Full Policy for Students and Staff with Disabilities is available on request or can be downloaded from our website.*

## Mode of Instruction

Programmes are delivered face-to-face and full-time attendance is compulsory in accordance with College Rules and Regulations.



# The Advanced Diploma in Fashion

## Duration:

**1 year full-time /  
2 years part-time**

## Credits:

**120**

## NQF level:

**7**

## Programme Outline

### Internship

Conduct oneself professionally and ethically in a variety of contexts. Students are required to take responsibility for and critically evaluate their own decisions & actions when working independently and collaborating with others.

### Contextual Studies

Collect, organise, analyse and critically evaluate relevant information when researching social, economic & cultural influences on the fashion sector.

### Research Project

Identify, analyse, critically reflect and address complex problems within the fashion sector. Students will be required to apply and critically analyse theory and communicate concepts clearly & logically.

### Professional Practice

Apply & critically evaluate principles, methods, discourse, and techniques in a chosen area of fashion specialisation when creating an innovative body of work.

## Assessment

The College adopts a continuous assessment approach, in line with the principles of outcomes based education. Student competence is determined by their ability to demonstrate the required learning outcomes.

Assessment criteria are clearly set out and communicated to students and all assessment results are made available for verification and appeal.

All formative assessments are internally moderated and all summative assessments are externally moderated by suitably qualified and experienced subject specialists.

An Appeals Policy is in place for students who wish to have results reassessed, in which case the guidelines of this policy will be observed.

# Academic Credit Accumulation

In order to receive the Advanced Diploma in Fashion (120 credits); the student must successfully demonstrate that s/he is competent in all the exit level outcomes of the programme and must have accumulated all the credits assigned to the qualification.

All courses must reflect a grading of 50% or higher, on the academic transcript in order for the learner to be awarded the relevant credits. Credits will only be awarded in full and no partial credits will be awarded to any learner.

## Certification

Students will be awarded their Advanced Diploma when they have met all the exit level outcomes of the programme and have been awarded a grade of 50% or more for all modules that make up the qualification.

## Financial Information

Fee Structure 2020:	
REGISTRATION FEE – non-refundable amount to be paid on registration per year	R 5 000
WGSN LEVY	R 1 500
TUITION FEE	R 42 000

### Extra Costs to be provided for:

- Students must have access to a laptop or a home computer with the minimum requirements to run the Adobe Suite of programs, e.g. Photoshop, Illustrator.
- Fabric required for realising designs throughout the year.

### The following Tuition Fee Payment options are available:

Payment in full – 5% discount for fees settled in full by end February	R 39 900
Monthly payments – last day of each month – February to October x 8 payments	R 5 500

Payments can be made in cash, by cheque, direct deposit or electronic funds transfer (EFT). In the case of direct deposits or electronic funds transfer the student's name or student number must be used as a reference for identification purposes.

In the event of non-payment a Letter of Suspension will be issued to the student preventing them from

taking part in any further tuition until such time as the outstanding fees are paid up.

Should a student decide to discontinue their studies at any time during the academic year the full year's tuition is liable to be paid according to the contract signed on enrolment.

# Student Support

## Academic Support

The Academic staff provide each and every learner with the support required to perform academically, and encourage active engagement from the students through:

- Establishing a supportive relationship with all students
- Adopting a creative approach to teaching and learning
- Providing regular constructive assessment feedback
- Mentoring and coaching

Students receive an Academic report on a quarterly basis to assist them to monitor their progress and to identify any areas of concern.

The College student-at-risk programme ensures that students who are not performing academically, are identified and provided with appropriate support and guidance to achieve their full potential.

## Administrative Support

Administrative staff are available to assist the students with any query they may have related to the programme that they are studying.

A binding/ printing/ copying/ scanning service is provided to all registered students, at a competitive rate.

## Counselling Support

This is provided in the form of information regarding possible service providers who are able to cater for the specific type of support/counselling the student requires.

## Student Development

The Student Representative Committee is made up of representatives from each year and is responsible for organising student fundraising events and for communicating any student recommendations or concerns.

Regular student and staff social events provide an opportunity to strengthen relations and take a break from the demands of the intensive curriculum.

## Accommodation

Please go to our website to download the document containing our preferred providers or contact Administration for further information in this regard.

## Medical Aid (for Foreign Students)

Momentum Health is our preferred service provider so please contact Administration for further details and application forms.

## Enrolment Contract

An example of the Enrolment Contract is available on request or can be downloaded from our website.

# Code of Conduct

**Cape Town College of Fashion Design (Pty) Ltd takes the conduct of students and staff seriously, it is imperative that all people are treated fairly and respectfully, in keeping with our values.**

**The Code of Conduct will be upheld in all instances and can be read as follows:**

- Students must act in a respectful manner towards all staff and fellow students regardless of race, gender, religious beliefs, language or disablement. Rudeness will not be tolerated and disciplinary action will be taken against offenders.
- At all times and everywhere that the student represents or can be identified as a student at the College, the student shall conduct themselves in such a manner so as not to discredit the College in any way.
- Students shall not maliciously, negligently or wrongfully destroy, damage, abuse or remove any property belonging to the College.
- Students must at all times give an honest account of their ability in class tests, examinations or other academic assignments. The formulation of an assignment, whether written, oral or practical must under all circumstances be the honest work of the student, demonstrating academic and intellectual integrity by avoiding plagiarism, infringement of copyright and/or others' rights to intellectual property. Non-conformance to this rule will lead to disciplinary action.
- Policy in respect of dishonesty: Students are to refrain from any form of dishonesty, be it lying, cheating, stealing or plagiarism. Offending students will be reported to the Education Committee, who will hold a formal hearing. If found guilty, the disciplinary measure could include

suspension, or the student could face expulsion from the College.

- It is College policy not to display, under any circumstances, any religious, political, cultural or racist propaganda or material on the premises.
- Students shall refrain from eating, drinking, sleeping or not paying attention while in lectures.
- Students shall not sexually harass another person, nor in any way victimise or intimidate any fellow student or staff member.

## Misconduct

A student shall be guilty of misconduct should he/she attempt to infringe or undermine any Regulation, Rule, Instruction or Code of Conduct of the College, and could be subject to the following Disciplinary measures:

- A student could be suspended from class attendance for a period of time.
- A verbal reprimand and / or a written warning will be issued.
- A student's parents or guardian shall be notified
- Any other suitable educationally justified disciplinary measure could be taken.

# Achievements

**As evidence of our statement that we are 'The Ultimate in Fashion Education' we list the following achievements over the last 3 years:**

## 2019

- Alumnus selected as the winner of AFI FastTrack.
- Advanced Diploma student selected as finalist for Source Africa New Talent Competition.
- Graduates featured on reality TV show, Style Squad, both on-screen and off-screen.
- Alumnus showcased her collection at Swahili Fashion Week 2019.
- Graduates showcased their work at Bokeh.
- 2 graduates selected to showcase their portfolios of work at the CTCF Graduate Recruitment Showcase.
- Graduate featured her designs on the national TV platform, Hectic on 3.
- 2nd Year student showcased at Swahili Fashion Week for Emerging Designers.
- Alumnus showcased at Katutura Fashion Week and was awarded the "Designer to Watch" award.

## 2018

- Leading alumnus named winner of the Young Designer Competition at Source Africa and showcased her collection at TexWorld in Paris, France.
- Advanced Diploma student selected as the winner of the AFI Fastrack competition, showcasing his collection at Mercedes Benz Fashion Week Cape Town.
- CTCFD graduate class interviewed by Werner Wessels and featured on the ViaTV series Kroonprins.
- Graduate collection featured at the Miss Namibia pageant.
- 2 graduate students selected to showcase at the Cape Town Fashion Council Graduate Designer Stands at Source Africa.
- 3 Advanced Diploma students featured on SABC 2's Hectic Nine9.
- Leading alumnus interviewed for ELLE's Style Across Africa series.
- Students on all levels of study featured in major international fashion publications.

## 2017

- Advanced Diploma student selected as finalist in the ongoing local reality television show 'The Intern by David Tlale'.
- CTCFD featured in the 2017 Vogue Italia Talent Issue with 2 graduates selected as '180 Emerging Designers to Watch' globally.
- Leading alumnus selected to style and be the face of international brand Trener's 2017 resort collection.
- Leading alumni selected to create a capsule collection for Woolworths' Style by SA collection.
- Leading alumnus presented designs at the international seminar for WGSN's (World Global Style Network) Spring/Summer 2018 trend forecast.
- 3 nominees and 1 overall winner of the Bokeh International Fashion Film Festival Emerging Creative Talent Award.
- Leading Alumnus named winner in the PPC Imaginarium Awards 2017.



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