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Domains and Competencies for

Fashion, Textiles, and Apparel

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The following chart correlates the domains and competencies of the *Fashion, Textiles, and Apparel* Pre-PAC assessment with the content of *Fashion*. For each competency, the chart lists the chapter number(s) that identify the content location.

After studying the content of this text, students will be able to achieve the following comprehensive standard:

Domain 1: Career Paths	
Competency 1A: Explain the roles and functions of individuals engaged in fashion, textiles, and apparel careers	
Key Elements	Text Concepts
1.A.1 Employment opportunities in the fashion, textiles, and apparel industry	20, 21, 22, 23, 24
1.A.2 Functions and responsibilities associated with fashion, textiles, and apparel career paths	20, 21, 22, 23, 24
1.A.3 Differences between fashion merchandising careers and fashion design careers	21, 22
1.A.4 Career preparation	19
1.A.5 Physical and emotional traits and characteristics of individuals engaged in fashion, textiles, and	19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24

apparel careers	
1.A.6 Job search skills	19

Competency 1B:

Explain employment opportunities related to clothing construction

Key Elements	Text Concepts
1.B.1 Breadth of clothing construction careers	21, 24
1.B.2 Job titles and duties associated with clothing construction	21, 24
1.B.3 Skills required in clothing construction positions	21, 24
1.B.4 Workplace behavior and expectations	19

Competency 1C:

Analyze opportunities for employment and entrepreneurial endeavors

Key Elements	Text Concepts
1.C.1 Cost/benefit analysis of job requirements	24
1.C.2 Salaries and benefits of employment	24
1.C.3 Entrepreneurial possibilities	24
1.C.4 Personality traits best suited to entrepreneurs	24
and employees	
1.C.5 Small Business Administration	24

Competency 1D:

Summarize education and training requirements and opportunities for career paths in fashion, textiles, and apparel

Key Elements	Text Concepts
1.D.1 Education and training required for	19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24
employment in the industry	
1.D.2 Education and training for fashion design and	21
apparel careers	
1.D.3 Education and training for merchandising	22, 23
careers	

Competency 1E:

Analyze the effects of fashion, textiles, and apparel occupations on local, state, national and global

Key Elements	Text Concepts
1.E.1 Gross Domestic Product (GDP)	6, 8
1.E.2 Developmental stages of fashion, textiles, and apparel production	4, 5, 6
1.E.3 Made in the USA campaign	6, 15
1.E.4 Impact of the industry on the economies of third world and developing countries	4

Key Elements	Text Concepts
1.F.1 Personality assessments	19
1.F.2 Portfolio development	19
1.F.3 Résumé development	19
1.F.4 Interviewing skills	19
1.F.5 Career and employment resources	19
1.F.6 Internships and job shadowing	19, 21

Competency 1G:

Analyze the role of professional organizations in fashion, textiles, and apparel industries

Key Elements	Text Concepts
1.G.1 Advantages of membership in professional	4, 8, 20
organizations	
1.G.2 International Textile and Apparel Association	4
1.G.3 Fashion Group International	4
1.G.4 Council of Fashion Designers	4

Domain 2: Textile Fiber Products and Materials

Competency 2A:

Apply appropriate terminology for the most common generic textile fibers

Key Elements	Text Concepts

2.A.1 Natural fibers (i.e., names/examples, types,	5, 8, 9, 18
uses, sources)	
2.A.2 Manufactured or synthetic fibers (i.e., names/examples, types, uses, sources)	5, 8, 9, 14, 15, 18
2.A.3 Fiber manufacturing process	8
2.A.4 Fabrication	9
2.A.5 Finishes	9

Competency 2B:

Evaluate performance characteristics of textile fibers and fabrics

Key Elements	Text Concepts
2.B.1 Aesthetic properties	8,9
2.B.2 Durability properties	8, 9
2.B.3 Comfort properties	8, 9
2.B.4 Appearance retention properties	8, 9
2.B.5 Fiber blends	8

Competency 2C:

Summarize textile legislation, standards, and labeling in the global economy

Key Elements	Text Concepts
2.C.1 Legal and environmental concerns of the industry	5, 15, 16, 18
2.C.2 Textile laws and regulations	6, 15, 17, 18
2.C.3 Labeling of textile products	6, 15

Competency 2D:

Analyze effects of textile characteristics on design, construction, care, use, and maintenance of products

Key Elements	Text Concepts
2.D.1 Suitability of fibers and fabrics to end use	8, 9
2.D.2 Fabric performance abilities (i.e., wicking, stretching, etc.)	9
2.D.3 Equipment used in the manufacturing and	8

construction of fibers	
2.D.4 Effects of textiles on construction (i.e., knitting,	9
weaving, etc.)	
2.D.5 Finishes (i.e., flame retardant, Mercerization,	9
etc.)	

Competency 2E:

Apply appropriate procedures for care of textile products

Key Elements	Text Concepts
2.E.1 Soil removal	18
2.E.2 Laundering	18
2.E.3 Dry cleaning	18
2.E.4 Garment care labels	15, 18
2.E.5 Types of laundering products	18
2.E.6 Environmental concerns of laundry or care	18
products	
2.E.7 Recycling and disposal of textile products	8, 14, 16

Domain 3: Design Skills

Competency 3A:

Explain ways in which fiber, fabric, texture, pattern and finish can affect visual appearance

Key Elements	Text Concepts
3.A.1 Optical illusions	11, 14
3.A.2 Influence of design elements on appearance	10, 11, 12
3.A.3 Influences of the principles of design on	10, 12, 13
appearance	
3.A.4 Harmonious use of fibers, fabrics, textures,	6, 10, 11, 12
patterns, and finishes	

Competency 3B:

Apply basic and complex color schemes and color theory to develop and enhance visual effects

Key Elements	Text Concepts
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3.B.1 Color types	10
3.B.2 Color wheel	10
3.B.3 Color schemes	10
3.B.4 Warm colors vs. cool colors	10
3.B.5 Value	10
3.B.6 Hue	10
3.B.7 Shades vs. tints	10
3.B.8 Intensity	10
3.B.9 Neutral colors	10

Competency 3C:

Utilize elements and principles of design in designing, constructing, and/or altering fashion, textiles, and apparel products

Key Elements	Text Concepts
3.C.1 Elements of design (space, shape, form, line, color, texture)	10, 11
3.C.2 Principles of design (rhythm, unity, emphasis, balance, proportion)	12
3.C.3 Application of design elements and principles in apparel	10, 11, 12
3.C.4 Embellishments	1

Competency 3D:

Demonstrate design concepts with fabric or technology/computer, using draping and/or flat pattern making techniques

Key Elements	Text Concepts
3.D.1 Draping techniques	5, 6, 21
3.D.2 Pattern engineering	5, 6, 21
3.D.3 Digitizing for pattern making, marker making, sizing, and grading	6, 21
3.D.4 Computer aided design	6, 9, 21, 22
3.D.5 Colorways	9

Competency 3E:

Generate design that takes into consideration ecological, environmental, sociological, psychological, technical, and economic trends and issues

Key Elements	Text Concepts
3.E.1 "Green" or eco-friendly textile and apparel	8, 9, 16
products	
3.E.2 Ecological and environmental impact (i.e.,	8, 9, 16
insecticides, production, finishes)	
3.E.3 Scientific Certifications Systems	16
3.E.4 Historical influences on fashion and design	1, 2, 4
3.E.5 Social and psychological functions of clothing	1
3.E.6 Costs of production	6
3.E.7 Costs and environmental implications for	8, 9, 14, 16
disposal (i.e., recycling, resale, etc.)	

Competency 3F:

Demonstrate ability to use technology for fashion, textile, and apparel construction and design

Key Elements	Text Concepts
3.F.1 Computerized sewing machines	6
3.F.2 Computer aided design	5, 6, 9, 20, 21
3.F.3 Sergers or overlock machines	5
3.F.4 Textile and apparel design software	9

Domain 4: Fashion, Textile, and Apparel Production

Competency 4A:

Demonstrate professional skills in using a variety of equipment, tools, and supplies for fashion, textile and apparel construction, alteration or repair

Key Elements	Text Concepts
4.A.1 Parts of the sewing machine (i.e., proper name,	
function, and use)	
4.A.2 Use of the sewing machine (i.e., stitching charts,	
threading the machine, etc.)	

4.A.3 Use of overlock machine	
4.A.4 Tools and supplies for marking	
4.A.5 Sewing tools and supplies	
4.A.6 Tools and supplies for cutting	
4.A.7 Tools and supplies for measuring	
4.A.8 Commercial patterns	5
Competency 4B:	
Demonstrate basic and specialized techniques in	the construction of a garment
Key Elements	Text Concepts
4.B.1 Types of stitching (i.e., machine stitching,	
basting, understitching)	
4.B.2 Seams and seam finishes	
4.B.3 Casings and waistbands	
4.B.4 Closures	
4.B.5 Collars and cuffs	
4.B.6 Darts	
4.B.7 Facings	
4.B.8 Interfacing	
4.B.9 Sleeves	
4.B.10 Hems	
4.B.11 Buttons and buttonholes	
Competency 4C: Explain production processes for creating fibers, yarns, woven, knit, and non-woven textile products	
Key Elements	Text Concepts
4.C.1 Filament yarns	8
4.C.2 Staple yarns	8

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4.C.3 Spun yarns

4.C.4 Fiber blends

4.C.5 Fabrication	9
4.C.6 Basic weaves (i.e., plain, twill, satin)	9
4.C.7 Knit fabrics	9
4.C.8 Nonwoven fabrics (i.e., solutions, fiberweb,	9
braiding, lace)	

Competency 4D:

Use appropriate industry products and materials for cleaning, pressing, and finishing fashion, textile and apparel products

Key Elements	Text Concepts
4.D.1 Laundry aids	18
4.D.2 Fabric softeners	18
4.D.3 Detergents	18
4.D.4 Bleach	18
4.D.5 Pretreatment of stains	18
4.D.6 Stain removal	18
4.D.7 Starch	9, 18
4.D.8 Fabric sizing	18

Competency 4E:

Analyze current technology and trends that facilitate design and production of fashion, textile and apparel products

Key Elements	Text Concepts
4.E.1 Computer aided design	5, 6, 9, 20, 21
4.E.2 Computerized equipment	5, 6, 9, 20, 21
4.E.3 Computerized sewing machines	6
4.E.4 Technological advances	2, 5, 6

Competency 4F:

Demonstrate basic skills of pattern selection and layout

Key Elements	Text Concepts
4.F.1 Pattern selection (information on pattern	5
envelope, pattern types and sizes, etc.)	

4.F.2 Fabric selection	
4.F.3 Selection of notions	
4.F.4 Cutting layout and cutting	
4.F.5 Marking procedures	

Competency 4G:

Demonstrate basic skills for producing and altering textile and apparel products

Key Elements	Text Concepts
4.G.1 Slopers	5
4.G.2 Basic measurements	
4.G.3 Pattern ease	
4.G.4 Crotch length and depth alterations or	
adjustments	
4.G.5 Back and front waist length alterations or	
adjustments	
4.G.6 Waist and hip adjustments and alterations	
4.G.7 Length alterations and adjustments	
4.G.8 Sleeve alterations and adjustments	
4.G.9 Hem adjustments	

Domain 5: Fashion Merchandising

Competency 5A:

Apply marketing strategies for fashion, textile, and apparel products

Key Elements	Text Concepts
5.A.1 Levels of promotion (i.e., primary, secondary, and retail)	2, 6, 7, 20, 23, 24
5.A.2 Objectives of marketing (i.e., inform, awaken,	5, 6
persuade, pave the way, gain loyalty)	
5.A.3 Print marketing strategies	5, 7
5.A.4 Media marketing strategies	5, 7
5.A.5 Internet marketing strategies	5, 7

5.A.6 Qualitative and quantitative marketing research	5
5.A.7 Visual display categories	7, 23
5.A.8 Retail types (i.e., department stores, specialty	7
stores, boutiques, discount stores)	

Competency 5B:

Analyze the cost of constructing, manufacturing, altering, or repairing fashion, textile and apparel products

Key Elements	Text Concepts
5.B.1 Labor costs	6,7
5.B.2 Cost sheets	6,7
5.B.3 Factors influencing costs	5, 6, 7
5.B.4 Mass production	5, 6, 7
5.B.5 Wholesale vs. retail prices	2, 4, 6, 21, 22

Competency 5C:

Analyze ethical considerations for merchandising textile and apparel products

Key Elements	Text Concepts
5.C.1 Counterfeit goods (i.e., knock-offs, forgeries)	2, 6
5.C.2 Sweatshops	6
5.C.3 Ethical treatment of employees	6
5.C.4 Child labor	6, 16
5.C.5 Employee hours and benefits	6, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24
5.C.6 Exploitation in the industry	6, 16
5.C.7 Employee theft	7

Competency 5D:

Apply external factors that influence merchandising

Key Elements	Text Concepts
5.D.1 Political factors	1, 2, 6, 16
5.D.2 Social factors	1, 2, 6, 16
5.D.3 Psychological factors	1,7

5.D.4 Ethnic factors	1, 2
5.D.5 Religious factors	1, 2
5.D.6 Ethical factors	15, 16, 19
5.D.7 Educational factors	1
5.D.8 Fashion adoption theories	2

Competency 5E:

Critique varied methods for promoting textile and apparel products

Key Elements	Text Concepts
5.E.1 Print promotions	4, 6, 7
5.E.2 Media promotions	4, 6, 7
5.E.3 Internet promotions	4, 6, 7
5.E.4 Special events	4, 6, 7
5.E.5 Direct mail	7
5.E.6 Fashion shows	6, 7, 15
5.E.7 Cross-supporting ads	7, 15
5.E.8 Fashion cycle	2
5.E.9 Service firms with advertising expertise	15
5.E.10 Visual displays and merchandising	7, 22

Competency 5F:

Apply research methods, including forecasting techniques for marketing textile and apparel products

Key Elements	Text Concepts
5.F.1 Consumer market	15, 16
5.F.2 Microsegmentation	7
5.F.3 Niche retailing	7
5.F.4 Database marketing	5, 6
5.F.5 Quantitative and qualitative research marketing	5, 6
5.F.6 Multi-channel retailing	7, 15
5.F.7 Fashion forecasting	5, 6, 20

5.F.8 Prophetic fashions	5, 6
5.F.9 Influences on consumer sentiment	6, 15

Domain 6: Customer Service

Competency 6A:

Analyze factors that contribute to quality customer relations

Key Elements	Text Concepts
6.A.1 Attracting new customers	19, 22
6.A.2 Retaining existing customers	22
6.A.3 Benefits of quality customer service	22
6.A.4 Importance of quality process and product	5, 6
design	
6.A.5 Consistency in customer service	7, 22
6.A.6 Employee morale	19
6.A.7 Communication channels for customers	7, 15

Competency 6B:

Analyze the influences of cultural diversity as a factor in customer relations

Key Elements	Text Concepts
6.B.1 Developing cultural competence	1, 22
6.B.2 Appreciating and respecting cultural differences	1, 22

Competency 6C:

Demonstrate the skills necessary for quality customer service

Key Elements	Text Concepts
6.C.1 Customer loyalty	15, 16
6.C.2 Patience	20, 21, 22, 23, 24
6.C.3 Communication skills	19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24
6.C.4 Problem solving skills	15, 21, 22, 24
6.C.5 Computer and technology skills	19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24

Competency 6D:

Use consumer skills to evaluate the quality of ready-made garments

Key Elements	Text Concepts
6.D.1 Assembly Quality Checklist	16
6.D.2 Quality seams and seam finishes	16
6.D.3 Quality sleeves and hems	16

Competency 6E:

Create solutions to address customer concerns

Key Elements	Text Concepts
6.E.1 Customer letter of complaint	15
6.E.2 Small Claims Court	
6.E.3 Return policies	7, 15, 16
6.E.4 Credit reporting agencies	16
6.E.5 Layaway policies	16
6.E.6 Payment policies	16
6.E.7 Customer Loyalty or Rewards Programs	15, 16

Domain 7: Operational Procedures

Competency 7A:

Analyze legislation, regulations, and public policy affecting the fashion, textile and apparel industries

Key Elements	Text Concepts
7.A.1 Laws regarding textile and apparel production, labeling, care, and disposal	15
7.A.2 Public policy and advocacy efforts of professional associations	4, 8, 20
7.A.3 Legal and environmental concerns	5, 6, 8, 15, 16
7.A.4 Legislation and regulations associated with importing and exporting	5, 6, 16

Competency 7B:

Analyze personal and employer responsibilities and liabilities regarding industry-related safety, security, and environmental factors

Key Elements	Text Concepts

7.B.1 Fraud	16
7.B.2 Identity theft	16
7.B.3 Privacy policies	6, 16
7.B.4 Credit issues	7, 16
7.B.5 Employee theft	7, 22

Competency 7C:

Analyze the effects of security and inventory control strategies, cash, and credit transaction methods, laws, and worksite policies, on loss prevention and store profit

Key Elements	Text Concepts
7.C.1 Methods of loss prevention	15
7.C.2 Safety and security of customers	15
7.C.3 Safety and security of employees	6, 15, 16
7.C.4 Shoplifting	15
7.C.5 Shrinkage	
7.C.6 Layaway plans	16

Competency 7D:

Demonstrate procedures for reporting and handling accidents, safety, and security incidents

Key Elements	Text Concepts
7.D.1 Safe retail environment	6, 15, 16
7.D.2 Responsibility for safety	6, 15, 16
7.D.3 Reporting accidents	
7.D.4 OSHA	
7.D.5 Emergency procedures	22

Competency 7E:

Analyze operational costs such as mark ups, mark downs, cash flow, and other factors affecting profit

Key Elements	Text Concepts
7.E.1 Loss	7
7.E.2 Pricing strategies	7
7.E.3 Price points	7

7.E.4 Markdowns	7
7.E.5 Markups	7
7.E.6 Inventory (i.e., control, leftover, etc.)	7
7.E.7 Expense management	7