The TMA minor is an open minor for those students interested in the study of textiles, merchandising and apparel.

Students must declare the minor area with the Academic Counselor in their college for the minor to appear on the student's official transcript.

Students must have a 2.0 GPA in the courses used to satisfy the minor.

Students must complete all requirements for the minor program no later than the semester of graduation for major degree program.

Student must comply will ALL prerequisites for TAM classes. There are NO substitutions for TAM classes.

Some TAM classes are only offered in the fall, only offered in the spring, and not every spring semester.

This minor is not available to students majoring in Textiles, Apparel Design, and Merchandising.

The TMA Minor requires:

13 Hours—
TAM 2040 (3) F, S  
TAM 2041 (1) F, S  
TAM 2045 (3) S  
TAM 3022 (3) F  
TAM 3032 (3) S

6 Hours selected from—
TAM 3030 (3) I  
TAM 4041 (3) S-O  
TAM 4043 (3) F  
TAM 4044 (3) F  
TAM 4070 (3) S  
TAM 4071 (3) S  
TAM 4072 (3) F

19 Total Hours

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Required Courses:

- TAM 2040 Textile Science (3) F, S. Basic physical, biological, and chemical characteristics of fibers, yarns, and fabrics; selection, maintenance, and performance of textiles.
- TAM 2041 Textile Science Laboratory (1) F, S. Prereq: credit or registration in TAM 2040. Introduction to basic physical and chemical testing of textiles.
- TAM 2045 The Fashion Industry (3) S. Interrelationships of design, production, and distribution; historical aspects and cyclical nature of fashion.
- TAM 3022 Apparel Quality Analysis (3) F. Prereq: TAM 2040, 2045. In-depth analysis of ready-to-wear apparel marketed at various price points.
- TAM 3032 Textile and Apparel Product Development (3) S. Prereq: TAM 2040, 2045. Processes and issues related to development of textiles and apparel products for consumers.

Select two courses from the following options:

- TAM 4043 Advanced Textiles (3) F. Prereq: TAM 2041. Characteristics of natural and manufactured textiles fibers; physical and chemical modifications to meet consumer needs; textile dyes and finishes; methods of fiber identification and chemical testing of textiles.
- TAM 4071 History of Dress and Adornment Prior to 1800 (3) S. Emphasis on styles of western civilization; how dress functions for individuals within culture and society; relationships of gender, environment, technology, economics, religion, and aesthetics.
- TAM 4072 History of Dress and Adornment After 1800 (3) F. Emphasis on styles of western civilization; how dress functions for individuals within culture and society; relationships of gender, environment, technology, economics, religion, and aesthetics.
- TAM 4041 History of Textiles (3) S. O. Cultural, functional, and technological developments of textiles by selected periods and countries.
- TAM 4044 Textile and Apparel Economics (3) F. Prereq: TAM 3032, ECON 2030, Not for graduate credit. Application and analysis of economic concepts and principles associated with the textile and apparel industry; overview of global economics and contemporary trade policy.
- TAM 4070 Entrepreneurship in Human Ecology (3) S. Prereq: MKT 3401. Application of principles of entrepreneurship with an emphasis on home-based and/or microbusinesses: case studies of successful entrepreneurs.
- TAM 3030 Field Study in Textiles, Apparel, and Retailing (3) I. May be taken for a max. of 6 hrs of credit when field site varies. Offered through Continuing Education. 28 hrs of on-campus seminars. Fee to cover expenses. Structured educational experiences in major industry centers in the U.S. and abroad.

13 Hours Required Courses—
6 Hours From Approved Options—
19 Total Hours Required- TAM Minor