



BIRMINGHAM CITY
University

FASHION, TEXTILES AND JEWELLERY MINI LECTURES

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Creative careers

This talk provides an insight into the different creative careers your students may pursue upon graduating and the types of jobs that some of our students have gone on to do. It highlights the different styles of work that may be undertaken within the creative industries and provides guidance on how your students can ready themselves for a career in a creative pathway.

JEWELLERY

Discovering gemstones

A visual talk about gemstones including school subject links; the geography of gemstone discoveries and their environmental impacts; the geology of gemstone formations, and the history of the first discoveries including some famous examples. We will travel around a map of the world as we discover a range of gemstones.

Physical and optical properties of gemstones

This visual talk explains how the physical and optical properties of gemstones help gemmologists identify them. Chemistry and physics subject links include how the chemical and physical make-up of a gemstone affects its durability, appearance and colour. We will also investigate the exciting optical effects exhibited in some gemstones.



Session dates are negotiable. For further information or to book, please get in touch via www.bcu.ac.uk/schools-and-colleges

Jobs for a gemmologist

This talk provides an insight to what our BSc (Hons) Gemmology and Jewellery Studies degree covers. It will highlight the many and varied career options available to our graduates. The talk will include some of our graduate success stories detailing their progression into their exciting gemmological and jewellery jobs.

Hands on etching

Your students can try their hand at the ancient art of etching metal using acid and other chemicals. They will learn to transfer a pattern to metal using a resist and then cut it into the metal chemically. They will take their plate away with them at the end of the day.

Horology

This mini lecture delves into how an oscillator is used to determine the accuracy of a domestic timekeeper.



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FASHION AND TEXTILES

Future proofing

A mini lecture introducing your students to the world of forecasting, trends and influencers in the fashion and textiles market.

Thinking sustainably

A mini lecture introducing your students to sustainable and circular approaches in the fashion and textiles industry.

Fashion play

A practical group workshop exploring form and the body through paper fashioning.

Weave play

A hands-on workshop introducing constructed textiles and the making of cloth using minimal equipment and maximum creativity.

Meet the students

An online Q&A with our very own Fashion and Textiles students. What better way to find out what it's really like to study on one of our creative courses than talking student to student?

Making choices

An online lecture and Q&A to help your students discover and navigate the many exciting courses on offer at the School of Fashion and Textiles and the career directions they can lead to.



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