

BA in Fashion Merchandising & Design - *Option in Fashion Merchandising*
Lower Division Worksheet
2026-2027 Catalog

→ You must have a **minimum 2.5 overall GPA** in order to declare the Fashion Merchandising major.

Grade	Course Number & Title (units)	Prerequisites†
Complete ALL of the following MSDR courses in order to declare your major:		
	ONE (1) of the following: ☐ CHEM 100: Chemistry & Today's World (4) GE AREA: 5A/5C ☐ Any other general Chemistry with a lab: _____	100 : one GE foundation (corequisite) General Chemistry : see catalog
	Any GE Foundation 1A: English Composition course (3)	appropriate English placement
	Any GE Foundation 1B: Critical Thinking course (3)	see catalog
	Any GE Foundation 1C: Oral Communication course (3)	none
	Any GE Foundation 2: Mathematics course (3)	appropriate math placement

Additional lower division major courses:

	ECON 100: Principles of Macroeconomics (3) GE AREA: 4C	MATH 104 or higher
	ONE (1) of the following: ☐ FMD 154: Fundamentals of Apparel Production (3) ☐ FMD 252: Analysis, Evaluation & Comparison of Ready-to-Wear (3)	154 : none; declared FMD majors only 252 : none
	FMD 155: Introduction to the Fashion Industry (3)	none
	FMD 251: Aesthetics of Fashion (3)	one GE foundation (corequisite)
	FMD 253: Introductory Textiles (3)	none
	FMD 255: Ethics, Sustainability, & Fashion (3)	one GE foundation
	FMD 258: Fashion Merchandising & Design Practicum (3) <i>this course requires a retail position; see faculty for more info</i>	a 'C' or better in FMD 155

†Prerequisites are subject to change; consult the University Catalog (www.csulb.edu/catalog) for the most recent updates

✓ GE credit is granted based on the term you take the course and is subject to change; see the current GE course list at www.csulb.edu/student-records/fall-2025-ge-requirements

✓ A 'C' or better is required in all courses