



Course details

Course title

Sewing into business

Course code

Q00027268

Course date

Start: 20/11/26

End: 12/03/27

Number of classes

28 sessions

Timetable

Fri 20th Nov, 9:30 to 12:00
Fri 20th Nov, 12:30 to 15:00
Fri 27th Nov, 9:30 to 12:00
Fri 27th Nov, 12:30 to 15:00
Fri 4th Dec, 9:30 to 12:00
Fri 4th Dec, 12:30 to 15:00
Fri 11th Dec, 9:30 to 12:00
Fri 11th Dec, 12:30 to 15:00
Fri 18th Dec, 9:30 to 12:00
Fri 18th Dec, 12:30 to 15:00
Fri 8th Jan, 9:30 to 12:00
Fri 8th Jan, 12:30 to 15:00
Fri 15th Jan, 9:30 to 12:00
Fri 15th Jan, 12:30 to 15:00
Fri 22nd Jan, 9:30 to 12:00
Fri 22nd Jan, 12:30 to 15:00
Fri 29th Jan, 9:30 to 12:00
Fri 29th Jan, 12:30 to 15:00
Fri 5th Feb, 9:30 to 12:00
Fri 5th Feb, 12:30 to 15:00
Fri 12th Feb, 9:30 to 12:00
Fri 12th Feb, 12:30 to 15:00
Fri 26th Feb, 9:30 to 12:00

Fri 26th Feb, 12:30 to 15:00
Fri 5th Mar, 9:30 to 12:00
Fri 5th Mar, 12:30 to 15:00
Fri 12th Mar, 9:30 to 12:00
Fri 12th Mar, 12:30 to 15:00

Tutor

Nasim Akhtar

Fee range

Funding available - £576.00

How you'll learn

You'll join a small group of fellow learners for classes at the venue indicated. Some materials may be provided in our virtual learning environment.

Got it!

In venue

Venue

St Johns Centre (Manchester)
St Johns Road
Old Trafford
Manchester
M16 7GX

Level of study

1

Course overview

This course is funded by the Greater Manchester Combined Authority and is only available to residents living within the Greater Manchester Combined Authority area. This beginner-friendly sewing course helps you build confidence and practical skills in machine and hand sewing. You'll learn to use a sewing machine, work with different fabrics, and follow commercial patterns to create simple items like a tote bag. The course also introduces basic business skills, including pricing, marketing, and planning a product line. It is Ideal for those preparing for work, further learning, or community engagement. This course supports your journey into creative enterprise and personal development.

Course description

This practical sewing course is designed to help you develop core sewing skills while building confidence and creativity. You'll start by getting to know your sewing machine, learning how to thread it, adjust tension, and practise basic stitches. Through guided activities, you'll sew in straight lines and curves and explore hand-sewing techniques for finishing and detail work. You'll work with a range of fabrics and learn how to cut, pin, and assemble pieces to create a simple tote bag. Using commercial patterns, you'll practise reading instructions, making basic alterations, and constructing a customised item. You'll also learn how to install zips and apply topstitching for a professional finish.

As the course progresses, you'll begin planning a small product line of handmade items suitable for sale. You'll explore pricing strategies, create simple adverts, and learn how to promote your work using social media. Finally, you'll develop a business plan using the Business Canvas Model to map out your ideas for the next 12 months. No prior experience is needed, just enthusiasm and a willingness to learn

What financial support is available?

We don't want anything to stand in your way when it comes to bringing Adult learning within reach so if you need anything to support you to achieve your goals then speak to one of our education experts during your enrolment journey. Most of our courses are government funded but if you don't qualify or need alternative financial help to access them then let us know.

What other support is available?

All of our digital content, teaching and learning activities and assessments are designed to be accessible so if you need any additional support you can discuss this with the education experts during your enrolment journey and we will do all we can to make sure you have optimal access.

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