**Learn About Careers in Apparel Design**

**Fashion Designer**
http://www.bls.gov/ooh/arts-and-design/fashion-designers.htm
An overview of a career in Apparel Design from the Bureau of Labor Statistics.

**Fashion Careers**

**Job Posting Sites for Apparel Design Related Fields**

**Apparel Search**
http://www.apparelsearch.com
Links to employment in the apparel industry and links to countless other resources related to the field

**Business of Fashion**
https://www.businessoffashion.com/careers
The global marketplace for fashion talent.

**Core 77/Coroflot**
http://www.core77.com
Design salary surveys, job postings, career information, a portfolio creation tool and much more!

**Creative Group**
http://www.creativegroup.com/
Temporary agency for the creative industry with offices in Minneapolis

**Ed2010 – Fashion Media Jobs**
If you’re interested in working for a fashion magazine, marketing a brand or managing fashion social media then this is a site worth checking out. Updated daily.

**Fashion Career Center**
http://www.fashioncareercenter.com/
Free job postings for the apparel and retail industry

**Fashionista**
https://fashionista.com/fashion-careers
Job postings for high-end brands across the country. Jobs are for design and management positions.
Fashion Net
http://www.fashion.net/jobs/
International job and internship listings for the fashion and retail industry. Also includes links to numerous other resources including an international designer list.

Free Fashion Internships
http://freefashioninternships.com/
Free internship postings in blog format for the fashion industry. Includes internships in New York City and California, and some Midwest-based. Also includes links to numerous other resources.

Going Global
http://goldpass.umn.edu (link for Going Global will be on the student landing page).
Going Global is a great resource for international students looking for information on work opportunities here in the United States. It is also a great tool for students looking for information on the cultural nuances of the job search in various countries and cities throughout the world.

GoldPASS
http://goldpass.umn.edu
University of Minnesota job posting system. In addition to finding current job and internship openings, use GoldPASS to search info and contacts for students' previously completed internships related to this major (to get ideas and contact information; this is not a list of openings), select "job search", then "internship agreement database".

Green Jobs
http://greenjobs.greenjobsearch.org/
Job board that connects employers with job seekers who are interested in jobs that focus on environmental or social responsibility

Indeed
https://www.indeed.com/
Worldwide job postings drawn from job boards, newspapers and company websites.

Internship Programs.com – Internship Search Engine
http://internships.wetfeet.com
Includes free internship postings in the apparel and retail industries.

Internships
http://www.internships.com/
This website provides services and resources for students, employers and educators. Students can search for internships and jobs based on location and type of industry/major.

SimplyHired
https://www.simplyhired.com/
A great resource for part-time, freelance and internships across the United States.

Springboard for the Arts
http://www.springboardforthearts.org/
Job and internship postings for art related opportunities. Also includes resources for individuals who are trying to make a living as professional artists.
Style Careers
http://stylecareers.com
Search jobs, post resumes and create portfolios. Also includes job searching resources such as resume and interviewing tips, employer profiles, and fashion career fair information.

Twitter Job Search
Current job postings collected from Twitter

Upwork
https://www.upwork.com/
A hub for freelance jobs. Upload a portfolio to attract employers for short-term projects or search job postings yourself.

Velvet Jobs
https://www.velvetjobs.com/articles/insights/paid-fashion-internships
The site is a resource for anyone looking for jobs. In particular, this article details several companies and sites to find internships at.

Women’s Wear Daily Careers
http://www.wwd.com/wwdcareers
Previously fashioncareers.com, this is an updated site that has job postings and career information.

Professional Associations Related to Apparel Design
Many professional associations have listservs or web sites where jobs and internships are posted. Sometimes, membership is required for access, so consider becoming a student member. Other benefits of membership include access to other members (for informational interviews), evidence of your commitment to the industry, and information about current trends as well as upcoming conferences and local meetings.

American Apparel & Footwear Association
https://www.aafaglobal.org
Legislative and trade news related to the industry. Events for members including trade shows and seminars.

American Association of Family and Consumer Sciences (AAFCS)
http://www.aafcs.org
Professional association includes a student homepage and newsletter, scholarships, related resources and job listings.

American Association of Textile Chemists and Colorists (AATCC)
http://www.aatcc.org/
Search information on job opportunities, grants & scholarships, competitions, and beginning a student chapter.

Costume Designers Guild (CDG)
http://www.costumedesignersguild.com/
Features a Member Directory, and information on costume designers and illustrators working in motion pictures, television and commercials
Costume Society of America (CSA)
http://www.costumesocietyamerica.com
Professional association includes student membership, internship and scholarship listing, Midwest chapter and regional events, job openings and a member business directory.

Council of Fashion Designers of America
http://www.cfda.com/
Professional association focusing on professional development and recognition of fashion designers.

Ethical Fashion Initiative
http://ethicalfashioninitiative.org/
Connection of artisans from the developing world and designers from the international value chain of fashion who have the goal of using fashion as a vehicle for development in the African fashion industry.

Fashion Group International (FGI)
http://www.fgi.org/
Professional association web site includes a section for students. Members gain information about the industry including trend reports, job bank, member directory and more.

Fashion Week MN
http://fashionweekmn.com/
Fashion Week Minnesota (FWMN) is a semi-annual initiative from a collective of independent producers and designers with a mission of community engagement and celebrating the best designers, brands, retailers, stylists, and producers in the Minnesota fashion industry through a series of public events.

International Textile and Apparel Association (ITAA)
http://www.itaaonline.org/
Professional association includes job announcements, educational information, scholarships and student membership.

National Retail Federation
http://www.nrf.com
Comprehensive resources and advice for retailers and consumers.

Organization of Black Designers
http://obd.org/
Promotes members in interior, industrial, architectural, fashion and graphic design fields through benefits such as program development and business and educational opportunities.

Textile Society of America (TSA)
http://textilesociety.org
Professional association includes student membership, publications, scholarships, events/study tours, related resources, and job/internship listings.
Additional Resources for Apparel Design

Apparel News
http://www.apparelnews.net/
Current trends, trade shows, news related to the fashion industry

Apparel Magazine
https://apparelmag.com/
Apparel Magazine is a business & technology resource for executives working at apparel manufacturers and retailers.

American Fashion Podcast
https://americanfashionpodcast.com/
The American Fashion Podcast is fashion talk show where designers, retailers, executives, photographers, writers and other experts are invited to talk about the issues that are affecting the global fashion industry.

Business of Fashion
https://www.businessoffashion.com/
BOF is an essential daily resource for fashion creatives. The website contains current news about the fashion industry, fashion analysis and business intelligence from the leading digital authority on the global fashion industry.

Design Observers Group
http://designobserver.com/
News, articles, and books focused on design, visual art, cultural, and social change.

Ecouterre
https://inhabitat.com/ecouterre/
This is a eco-fashion blog/website that is dedicated to the future of fashion sustainability. They showcase and support designers that focus on sustainability. The blogs main goal is to ensure that both designers and consumers that the issue of s

Minneapolis Design Collective
http://www.designcollectivempls.com/
A clothing store featuring items from local designers.

Source Database
http://www.ethicalfashionforum.com/source
Platform of tools and services for the fashion and textiles industries aimed at promoting sustainable and ethical practices in the field.

University of Minnesota Undergraduate Research
http://www.urop.umn.edu/
Offers research and creative activity experiences to students in all of our undergraduate colleges, to students in honors programs, as well as students not in honors programs.

Women's Wear Daily
http://www.wwd.com
Current news and information about the fashion industry, including fashion, retail, accessories, textiles, research and more.
**Student Organizations for Apparel Design**

For more information on the student organization below, and others, visit https://gopherlink.umn.edu/organizations/

**Apparel Design Fashion Show**
https://gopherlink.umn.edu/organization/2290
This group is comprised of senior-level students in the Apparel Design program within the College of Design. It focuses on the planning, development, and execution of the senior class fashion show to take place in February.

**FAB: Fashion & Business**
https://gopherlink.umn.edu/organization/2485
FAB: Fashion and Business is a pre-professional student organization linking students of all majors with a casual or professional interest in fashion to professionals and opportunities in the industry. The group coordinates an annual fall career exhibition and annual spring fashion show, as well as operates a designer platform to showcase University designers.

**Student & Alumni Board**
http://www.design.umn.edu/alumni_friends/join/
The College of Design Student and Alumni Board provides leadership for the College of Design Alumni Society and serves as the official College of Design Student Board for graduate and undergraduate students.
Contacts: Lori Mollberg at lmollber@umn.edu
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**Sustainability in Fashion Student Group**
https://gopherlink.umn.edu/organization/sustainabilityinfashion
Sustainability in Fashion was created to bring Apparel Design students also interested in sustainability together. This group comes together to learn and teach others about the effects of clothing, and discuss and implement possible solutions to the destruction that clothing and it’s industry causes.