WILSON SCHOOL OF DESIGN

POST-BACCALAUREATE DIPLOMA
Technical Apparel Design

Program Model

When you embark on a Post Baccalaureate Diploma in Technical Apparel Design, you'll join an industry that pushes the limits of human potential. From giving athletes a competitive edge to saving lives and outfitting outdoor enthusiasts, this booming industry blends creativity with cutting-edge technology to allow humans to move faster, survive longer, and explore further.

Our diploma places you at the centre of BC's world-renowned technical apparel industry. Our curriculum was developed in collaboration with Vancouver-based companies like Arc'teryx, lululemon, Mountain Equipment Company, Mustang Survival and Sugoi, as well as top academics and researchers. In four semesters, you'll gain the research, design, business and leadership skills needed to join the next generation of design innovators. Our flexible delivery model can accommodate full or part-time work.

YEAR ONE	**Fall** *9 credits*	**Technical Apparel in Context** DETA 5110 *3 credits*	**Technical Textile Technologies** DETA 5120 *3 credits*	**Introduction to Technical Apparel Production** DETA 5140 *3 credits*
	Spring *9 credits*	**User Research for Technical Apparel** DETA 5210 *3 credits*	**Strategic Design Innovation** DETA 5230 *3 credits*	**Technical Drawing for Product Development** DETA 5240 *3 credits*
YEAR TWO	**Fall** *9 credits*	**Business Strategies for Technical Apparel** DETA 5200 *3 credits*	**Technical Apparel Production** DETA 5440 *3 credits*	**Capstone Research** DETA 5980 *3 credits*
	Spring *9 credits*	**Technical Apparel Industry Experience** DETA 5550 *3 credits*	**Capstone Development and Production** DETA 5985 *6 credits*	

How to Apply

Admission Requirements:

» Successful completion of a recognized undergraduate degree, or

» A diploma or associate degree along with a minimum of 5 years of related work experience

» Entrance package and interview

Application Dates & Deadlines

» Apply between October 1 and March 1

» For current submission deadlines visit **kpu.ca/design/technicalapparel/ portfolio-requirements**

APPLY ONLINE kpu.ca/apply

Please contact the Future Students' Office for questions about applying to KPU. For additional information regarding Admissions, visit **kpu.ca/admission**. For current course descriptions, visit **kpu.ca/courses**.

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Entrance Package Requirements

The Technical Apparel Program is a limited intake and selective entry program. Once you have completed your application, you will receive instructions on how to submit your Entrance Package through an online submission platform.

Each applicant will submit the following Entrance Package for review:

1. **A current résumé/curriculum vitae**

2. **Two letters of recommendation. Aim for one academic and one personal or professional reference.**

3. **A self-assessment summarizing the following:**

   » Who are you? What is your story?

   » Why is this particular program for you?

   » How would your prior experience contribute to the program and to your fellow classmates?

   » What is your existing knowledge of technical apparel?

   » What do you hope to gain from being in this program? Include your short and long term goals.

   The self-assessment can be submitted using ONE of the following formats:

   » A written narrative as a PDF file (800-1000 words) or

   » A video submission (3-5 minutes) or

   » A PowerPoint or Prezi submission

Interview

Successful applicants to the Technical Apparel Design program will be contacted for an in-person or remote interview. Receiving an interview invitation does not guarantee admission to the program.

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