

Continuing and Professional Studies

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The School of Continuing and Professional Studies offers courses, in the classroom and online, to those interested in advancing their professional careers or educational goals. Courses are open to the public and span a range of topics including art, business, design, digital technology, entrepreneurship, fashion, marketing, and retailing. It is also possible to complete a credit certificate or earn an associate or baccalaureate degree through evening and weekend study offered by the academic departments of the college. The school offers its programs through Professional Studies, the Enterprise Center, and Precollege.

Professional Studies

Professional Studies focuses on the enrichment needs of individual artists and designers and the corporate global training needs of fashion-related industries. Noncredit certificates of professional development are offered on topics such as Brand Management Experience, Certified Technical Designer, Color Specialist, Digital Analytics: Fashion Marketing and Retailing, Fashion Styling, Image Consulting, and Omni-Channel Retail and Convergence.

The Enterprise Center

The Enterprise Center provides information and resources for small businesses and freelancers. Hands-on computer workshops keep designers and business people up-to-date on software tools. It offers six noncredit certificates of professional development: Creative Enterprise Ownership, Sustainable Design Entrepreneurs, and four Computer Essentials certificates (Fashion Design, Graphic Design, Web Design, and Video). The center also secures grant funding to develop free or low-cost programs that help meet the needs of entrepreneurs and New York City's fashion industry.

Precollege

The Precollege program offers courses for middle and high school students in the college's several areas of expertise. During the public school year it offers two programs titled Saturday Live and Sunday Live, each presented over 11 weekends. In the summer, there is a three-week Summer Live program. Intensive four-day workshops offered each spring, summer, and fall are especially attractive to families living outside the New York City metropolitan area.