The Professional Photo, Film, TV & Personal Stylist’s Course

COURSE GUIDE

British College of PROFESSIONAL STYLING
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Your giant leap

The Professional Photo, Film, TV & Personal Stylist’s Course has been designed to provide you with the professional skills required to succeed as a professional stylist. The course offers you a unique opportunity to develop a full or part-time career as a professional freelance stylist or to seek full-time work in all the industry areas where stylists are needed right now.

When you have completed this course you will have the knowledge and skills to start your own freelance styling consultancy or to seek work in the many businesses and industries associated with styling.

Firstly, it is important to understand that this course is not simply about the theory of professional styling. It’s also about practical work in styling, meeting client’s needs, marketing your services and being paid for your styling skills.

At its essence, this course is all about professional styling for profit. Each week, thousands of fashion editors, art directors, producers, celebrities, and people who simply wish to improve their image require the skills offered by a stylist. These are for photo shoots, image consultancy, fashion parades, TV commercials, personal shopping, live concerts and music videos, film and theatre productions and much more.

You’ll find the stylist at work with thousands of clients and businesses. They are choosing appropriate clothing, selecting accessories, organising photo shoots, deciding on visual merchandising, specialising in food styling, creating images and photos for fashion catalogues, styling models, artists, television hosts, celebrities and influential community leaders for whom image is vital, and creating looks for people who simply wish to rediscover their style.

Why are these stylists successful? Quite simply, because they know how to go about it.

Private clients, newspaper and magazine editors, internet publishers, advertising agencies, film, TV and theatre producers, retail outlets and business houses all have an ongoing need for the stylist’s knowledge and skills. There are literally hundreds of income-producing opportunities for the knowledgeable stylist.

The Professional Photo, Film, TV & Personal Stylist’s Course takes you through every aspect of the profession - from developing styling concepts and turning them into reality, through to the business of selling your styling skills and services.

In this way, you will soon take your first steps into the exciting and challenging world of professional styling.

Enjoy the journey!

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About the course

The Professional Photo, Film, TV & Personal Stylist’s Course is an affordable and flexible way to explore the world of styling.

This course is conducted by distance learning, delivered over your choice of 12 or 24 weeks. This course is delivered totally online, and offers full flexibility with no assignment due-dates, and up to two years to complete all course work.

During your course you will be instructed in all aspects of styling by a team of leading British and international photo and fashion stylists, image consultants, fashion editors and writers, photographers, art directors and producers.

This cutting-edge course is a world’s first in stylist’s training, distance education and online delivery. You are enrolling in the most up-to-date and informative styling course available. And, through online course delivery and efficient email communication, the College is able to assist you every step of the way.

Each tutorial provides you with specialised knowledge and assignments about specific aspects of styling. At the same time, you are learning about the actual market place for your styling skills, how to go about creating functional and appealing style concepts, selling your services, together with every trick of the trade to ensure your success. From your first tutorial, you are working with your tutor towards commencing your own freelance stylist’s consultancy, and being paid for your efforts.

One of the most important aspects of the course is its focus on the British market. Although the principles of styling are similar the world over, this course concerns itself specifically with all the British aspects of styling. It’s this direction and emphasis that will greatly help to ensure your success.

Only the most respected British and international stylists, designers, advertising directors, film and television producers, art directors, fashion editors, photographers, personal stylists, personal shoppers, image consultants, celebrity stylists, fashion makers and fashion leaders have contributed to this course provided by the British College of Professional Styling. The College has recruited only the best from an extraordinary range of talent to assist you throughout your course. You’ll even find information and insider secrets from leading visual merchandisers, food stylists and colour analysts.

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The Professional Photo, Film, TV & Personal Stylist’s Course is designed to provide you with an in-depth knowledge of all areas of styling. It’s also intended to help build your stylist’s portfolio to show to clients and, if you wish, as a stepping stone into full-time employment in the many industries where stylists are required.

From your first assignments, you are developing your own style ideas, learning about the market and working towards obtaining your first client.

The course is not only structured to teach you the techniques of freelance styling. It’s also intended to help you obtain clients and see you get paid for your professional efforts. Stated simply, you’ll know how to work as a stylist in a huge range of areas for the thousands of individuals, fashion companies, advertising agencies, television networks, magazine and internet publishers and retail outlets that require the help of a professional stylist.

From here, you will have the skills and knowledge to find work in areas such as:

- Photo styling
- Theatrical styling
- TV & Film styling
- Runway and fashion parade styling
- Personal styling
- Retail styling
- Celebrity styling
- Catalogue styling
- Image consultancy
- Prop and set styling
- Personal shopping
- Corporate styling
- Special event styling
- Food styling

Of course, your training as a professional stylist can also assist you to obtain mainstream employment in areas such as fashion houses, fashion boutiques, retail clothing stores, photographic studios, lifestyle and fashion magazines, advertising agencies, film houses and television networks.

Here you might find yourself working in wardrobe, as an assistant stylist, as an assistant to a fashion editor or in any of the other areas where training and talent in styling are so sort after.
You and your tutor work together to develop ideas and material relating specifically to the areas of styling work that most interest you.

When you first enrol in the Professional Photo, Film, TV & Personal Stylist’s Course, you are asked to complete our ‘Tutor Information’ questions. These provide the College and your tutor with valuable information about what you hope to achieve from the course.

A professional stylist, currently working within the industry and familiar with your styling interests, is assigned as your tutor to assist you throughout the course. It is a condition of College employment that your tutor is a successful, top-notch working professional.

You and your tutor work together to develop ideas and material relating specifically to the areas of styling work that most interest you.

It’s your tutor’s job to assess your assignments, develop your styling skills and bring you to a level of professionalism where your Certificate of Completion can be awarded.

Regard your relationship with your tutor as a partnership. You provide the interest in styling and the willingness to learn, while the tutors provide you with the practical knowledge and skills to succeed as a stylist.

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Success relies on knowing how to go about it... We’ll show you how.

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Only the most respected British and international stylists, advertising directors, film and television producers, art directors, photographers, fashion designers and editors, image consultants and personal shoppers have contributed to this course.

The College has recruited only the best from an extraordinary range of talent to assist you throughout your course. During your course you are hand in hand with many of the world's leading fashion makers and fashion leaders. You'll even find in-depth information and insider secrets from prominent visual merchandisers, food stylists and colour consultants.

The course itself has been developed by Katharine Morris. Katharine has worked in all areas of professional styling. Commencing in wardrobe with a major television network, Katharine later worked as an assistant fashion director and then in photo styling and personal styling. She has styled countless film and television shoots, television and print-media advertisements, fashion parades, live concerts and broadcasts. Katharine has also styled a host of celebrity talent for red-carpet events.

Katharine Morris’ academic qualifications include studies in: Object Arts & Design, Clothing Production, Special Effects & Props, Set & Costume Design, Art Direction, Film study at Tisch School of the Arts - Sight and Sound, and short courses at New York University and the National Institute of Dramatic Arts (NIDA).

Many top stylists and industry professionals have been chosen to contribute to this course because of their specialised skills in specific areas of styling. You'll find their wealth of experience gives you invaluable insight into even tiny aspects of the industry.

Of the Professional Photo, Film, TV & Personal Stylist’s Course, Katharine Morris says: “Stylists are not born, they are taught. And, the simple truth is that it’s not that difficult.”

“Given an interest in styling, a little flair and a willingness to learn, this course will equip you with the professional knowledge and skills required to succeed as a stylist.”

The experts behind the course

“Stylists are not born, they are taught. And the simple truth is, it’s not that difficult.”
Styling is one of the few industries where there are more jobs for competent, versatile stylists than there are stylists to fill them.

There is an insatiable demand for professional freelance styling. 99% of advertising agencies, fashion and lifestyle magazines, TV shows, business and corporate identities and celebrities rely heavily on freelance stylists. Their work is used in catalogues, brochures, magazines, TV commercials, live concerts, TV programming, public relations and by people requiring a particular ‘image’.

If you prefer a sales career, selling or working with fashion garments, accessories or merchandise, your training will prove of great benefit. What’s more, you’ll have the start of your all-important portfolio demonstrating your styling skills. Your portfolio is the first thing any prospective employer will wish to see.

When you know what the craft requires you will have a highly marketable skill which you can use for a full or part-time career or as a profitable sideline. Professional styling offers one of the few remaining opportunities for individual freedom, self-expression and financial gain.

And, as you’ll discover, it’s also a lot of fun and can lead some stylists to varying degrees of fame and fortune.

The Professional Photo, Film, TV & Personal Stylist’s Course gives you the opportunity to be your own boss and to choose the styling work that most suits you. As a freelance stylist, you can also start small and build your reputation and income job by job.

Styling is one of the few professions that does not discriminate in any way. You can be of any age, sex, race or religion and become a successful stylist. In fact, your individuality can be of real benefit. For example, a younger stylist will often be more familiar with teen trends where an older stylist will feel more equipped to assist more mature clients. As a professional stylist, you can also work from home and to a large degree you can choose your own clients and the nature of the work you accept.

This craft does not demand a university degree or other academic qualifications. Once you know what the industry requires, you have a highly marketable skill.
What you’ll receive

The Professional Photo, Film, TV & Personal Stylist’s Course will provide you with everything you need to become a professional stylist, equipped with the knowledge and skills to tackle most assignments you will be offered.

At the beginning of the course you are assigned a personal tutor who is responsible for your progress throughout the course.

You also receive:

- 12 exclusive tutorials dealing with professional styling.
- Details of the eight college assignments, to be completed before graduating from the course.
- Contributions from some of Britain’s and the world’s leading stylists, designers, fashion editors and fashion leaders.
- Individual correction and advice in respect to your ideas and assignments.
- In-depth feedback from your tutor for each assignment.

AND

- Hundreds of tips from fashion makers and leaders.
- Five-minute interviews with leading stylists and industry professionals.
- Working papers and templates for establishing your own freelance styling business.

PLUS

- General tutorials on seeking full-time and freelance employment.
- Tutorials on food styling, visual merchandising and other lesser-known work opportunities within the industry.

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Upon completion

**YOUR CERTIFICATE OF COMPLETION**
The Certificate of Completion for The Professional Photo, Film, TV & Personal Stylist's Course is awarded to successful graduates of this course.

The practical knowledge and experience you will have acquired throughout this course is also of enormous importance. At the end of your course, you will have acquired a level of skill where you can take on any styling assignment you choose.

Your certification will be sent to your postal address within two weeks of your course graduation.

**I.D. PASS**
In addition, you can apply for your free British College of Professional Styling Identification Pass.

This pass identifies you as a professional stylist and can prove to be an important tool in the course of your work.

You’ll also find your Pass may open many doors for you. For example, you can reasonably expect access to many professional exhibitions and professional discounts on many of your expenses including clothing, cosmetics and fashion accessories.
Styling is an adventure limited only by your own ambition and interest.

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What's required of you to become a professional stylist capable of handling any and all assignments? Other than an interest in styling, the requirements are simple and straightforward:

1. Ambition
2. Enthusiasm
3. The willingness to learn

If you have these qualities, The British College of Professional Styling will provide you with the knowledge and skills to ensure your success.

There are no rules to being a successful stylist. You need no specialised qualification other than the desire to succeed. A successful stylist does not have to be gifted. Every professional stylist was once a complete beginner. Success is primarily a matter of knowing how to go about it.

Thousands of newspapers and magazines, fashion companies, advertising agencies, film and television production companies, boutique shops, corporate clients and private individuals rely on freelance stylists. And, with all the styling work that needs to be done, why not?

However, as you’ll discover, the need for your styling skills doesn’t end here. There is a range of other lucrative freelance and full-time work to be obtained including image consultancy, food styling, visual merchandising, personal shopping and colour consultancy. Remember, even the up-and-coming band needs the right look, and somebody gets paid for providing it.

As you’ll also discover, professional styling is a business that goes far beyond creating an image. By the time you complete this course, you will have an intimate knowledge of all aspects of professional styling - from identifying your clients needs and developing your ideas through to the important business side of marketing your professional skills and being paid for your efforts.

What’s more, you’ll be learning about the industry from the inside, receiving hundreds of tips and little insights from some of today’s most successful stylists and fashion leaders. Remember, like yourself, every one of these professionals was once a complete beginner.

Do you have what it takes?
1. INTRODUCTION TO STYLING
This introduction sets a solid foundation to the exciting and dynamic world of styling. You will be introduced to what it means to style in different environments and for different clients, and be introduced to the wide range of opportunities for stylists. You will be presented with the evolution of fashion to help you understand where it’s progressing, as well as a handy glossary of terms to prepare you for the rest of this course. Tutorial one concludes with assignment one.

2. ELEMENTS OF STYLE AND TRENDS
Building on tutorial one, this tutorial explores essential knowledge of fashion, to help you understand modern trends. This tutorial explores the relationships between visual balance, colour and fashion, as well as assessing styles and trends. This tutorial also offers a glossary of clothing descriptions, and concludes with assignment two.

3. STYLING SPECIFICS
Tutorial three explores the world of a stylist, from employment, tricks of the trade, to knowing what to expect on a shoot. This tutorial covers the practical elements of working as a stylist, such as understanding and setting fees, as well as working with celebrities and high-end clientele. This tutorial concludes with assignment three.

4. WARDROBE STYLING FOR FILM, TELEVISION AND THE THEATRE
The world of film, television and theatre for stylists is a dynamic and challenging environment, which is explored in tutorial four. This tutorial is the behind the scenes look at what is required of stylists within these environments, and the importance of good styling as part of creating characters and narrative. It also explores on-set etiquette and the practicalities of your work for this sort of styling work. This tutorial concludes with assignment four.

5. THE FLEXIBLE STYLIST
Your work as a stylist challenges you to make yourself available and willing to handle new and important areas of production. These areas and roles are explored in tutorial five, which covers fields such as prop styling, food styling, visual merchandising and retail displays. The tutorial also explores the roles of light and colour within these fields, as well as how to create atmospheres of aesthetic pleasure and intrigue.

6. DO YOU KNOW ABOUT FASHION’S MOST INFLUENTIAL DESIGNERS?
This tutorial builds on previous knowledge to explore fashion’s most influential designers. It then goes on to more practical elements of a stylist’s work, such as your kit, troubleshooting, working with children and animals, as well as creating your portfolio to land your next job.

7. COLOUR
Tutorial seven explores the power of colour. By an in-depth exploration of colour, you will understand colour theory and psychology, how to assess your client’s natural colouring, how to develop colour palettes, the visual effects of colour and how to work with black and white. This tutorial also explores fabrics, how to work with different fabrics and care techniques. This tutorial concludes with assignment five.
8. PERSONAL STYLING
Personal styling is a challenging and dynamic role which you as a stylist can explore. In this tutorial you will learn the basics of what it means to be a “personal stylist” or “image consultant”. This tutorial also offers practical advice on how to deal with clients, understanding their needs and their body, individual features, developing a core wardrobe, working with accessories and looking rich on a budget. This tutorial concludes with assignment six.

9. MALE MAKEOVERS
Dressing males offers unique challenges which you as a stylist need to prepare for. This tutorial will equip you with knowledge such as body analysis, dressing for work and leisure, making impact, different cuts of male clothing, as well as practical tips and advice for helping male clients with style, colour and maintenance. This tutorial also covers grooming, skin and hair care, make-up and quick fix solutions.

10. COMMUNICATING YOUR IDEAS
All this knowledge will be rendered almost useless without the ability to effectively express your style ideas. This tutorial covers creating mood and concept boards and adapting traditional designer’s tools for visual communication, to effectively express and communicate to your clients. You will be guided on using and building on experience to build confidence and your portfolio, as well as how to record and format necessary details accurately.

11. THE ONLINE STYLIST
The internet is a vital tool for the freelance stylist. This tutorial shows how to promote yourself and your business online, through websites and blogging. It offers tips on optimising your blog with search engines, as well as marketing essentials. This tutorial encourages you to think about your career path, as well as offering a final glossary for professional stylist. This tutorial concludes with assignment seven.

12. BUSINESS FOR STYLISTS
To make sure you excel as a stylist, tutorial twelve is a practical guide on building your styling business. It explores marketing, retaining and creating clients, getting booked, managing your portfolio, business aspects such as invoicing, pricing and keeping records. To conclude, this tutorial offers a course summary, and assignment eight.

*Course contents may vary from time to time at the discretion of the British College of Professional Styling.
Course fees

The British College of Professional Styling is an affordable and accessible way to pursue your styling career. With flexible payment options and course guarantees, this course allows you to study with ease and peace of mind. Because the course is provided entirely online, you can study from anywhere in the world.

The total investment of this course is £410.00
We offer a generous discount if paid in full.
Discover the payment options below.

For your assurance, we offer a 7-day refund period. This allows you to examine the first tutorial with for seven days. If you decide for any reason not to proceed, email the College within this period, and we will provide you with a full refund of any fees paid.

FULL PAYMENT OPTION
£395 course investment paid in full.
Normally £410 - £15 off the original price.

BASIC PAYMENT PLAN - SPLIT OVER 2 PAYMENTS
£150 deposit to reserve your position in the course.
£260 seven working days after the commencement of the course.

3 MONTH EASY PAYMENT PLAN
£110 deposit to secure your position in the course.
£100.00 per month for three months.

4 MONTH EASY PAYMENT PLAN
£110 deposit to secure your position in the course.
£75.00 per month for four months.

6 MONTH SUPER EASY PAYMENT PLAN
£110 deposit to secure your position in the course.
£50.00 per month for six months.

All course fees in Pound Sterling. We accept MasterCard and Visa (both credit and debit cards). If you would like to discuss an alternative payment plan, please email the College at registrar@britishcollegeofprofessionalsstyling.com

Ready to enrol now? Click here!
10 good reasons to get into professional styling

1. **EXCITING WORK OPPORTUNITIES:** There are usually more jobs for competent stylists than there are stylists to fill them. This means people are willing to pay for your knowledge and skills.

2. **WORK FREEDOM:** As a stylist, you can operate from home on a full or part-time basis. Or, make your work as a stylist a profitable sideline.

3. **EXPLORE YOUR CREATIVITY:** A vast range of individuals and companies rely on the stylist to assist in creative projects. The experience of working alongside other creative professionals is exciting and rewarding.

4. **SHARE YOUR FLAIR:** You’ll have the required knowledge and skills to assist family, work mates and friends. Watch the interest when you say: “I’m a trained stylist”.

5. **INDUSTRY ONLY BENEFITS:** Professional stylists also enjoy great professional benefits. For example it’s common for professional stylists to be offered valuable discounts on clothing, cosmetics and fashion accessories. With the right knowledge you can also gain entry to “professional only” showings, exclusive trade shows and fashion expos.

6. **GROW FROM WHAT YOU’VE GOT:** Freelance styling is one of the few businesses you can start for next to nothing and reasonably expect immediate income. This is an easy way to become self-employed whatever your current lifestyle. Basically you can set your own schedule and work as much or as little as you choose. We’ll show you how.

7. **BE PAID FOR WHAT YOU LOVE:** You will be getting paid to provide help you’d probably do for fun anyway.

8. **YOU CAN SPECIALISE IN YOUR PASSION:** Work on developing your own niche market.

9. **MEET NEW PEOPLE:** This is a profession that puts you in touch with interesting people and allows you to do interesting things.

10. **YOU’LL FIND IT FUN.**

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Our guarantees

Our first guarantee is simple and straightforward. We do not accept students into this course unless we have a reasonable expectation that they are capable of completing the course. As such, please ensure you provide details in the Tutor Information section of your application.

However, if at the end of the course the Examining Board feels the Certificate of Completion should be withheld, the course will be extended at no cost. If, after a further period of tuition determined by your Tutor, you have still not reached a stage where the certificate can be awarded, your course fees will be refunded in full.

It is mutually agreed however, you must complete the course and demonstrate reasonable effort throughout to be eligible for any refunds.

We are also proud to offer you these other guarantees*:

1. 7-day refund period. This allows you to examine the first tutorial for seven days. If you decide for any reason not to proceed, email the College within this period and we will provide you with a full refund of any fees paid.

2. We guarantee we will continue to work with you after graduation if required. If you are serious about seeing your work come to life, we’re serious about assisting you to achieve success.

3. We’ll also continue working with you until you see your first payment. We’ll also continue to work with you until you receive your first payment, even if it takes a year!

In constructing this course, the British College of Professional Styling has created one of the few opportunities for those not currently involved in the industry to become paid professionals with a range of work opportunities at their fingertips.

This course takes you through every aspect of the profession - from developing styling concepts and making them a reality, through to the important business aspects of establishing your freelance consultancy or finding employment.

Remember, you need no specialised qualification to become a successful stylist. All you need is the desire to succeed. Success relies on knowing how to go about it.

We’ll show you how!

*Please refer to the enrolment terms & conditions.
Start your next adventure

Positions on the course are strictly limited and fill quickly. Secure your position today. Simply click the link below to indulge your creative side.

Please ensure you also complete the Tutor Information section. This allows the College to assess your application more quickly and also provides us with valuable background information about yourself and what you want to achieve.

Your course material will be emailed to you weekly or fortnightly depending on your choice.

Tutorials are sent in simple PDF format. You can change the delivery pace of the course at any time, and a fully flexible time frame means there are no due dates so you set your own pace.

As the course progresses, we will forward your assignments to your personal tutor. Your tutor will endeavour to provide a comprehensive response to your assignment material within three to five working days (sooner, where possible).

Click below to start your next adventure.
About the British College of Professional Styling

The British College of Professional Styling is a division of International News Syndicate Limited. Our directors and principals have been involved in all aspects of media work, training and distance education for some 30 years.

We are an international training company with students in more than 80 countries and territories. The principles of professional styling are similar the world over. However our course has been individually revised and designed to suit the needs of students living and working in the United Kingdom. Your Certificate of Completion and your British College of Professional Styling I.D Pass are posted to you when you successfully complete your course.

Through online course delivery and email communication, the College is able to assist you every step of the way.

The Professional Photo, Film, TV & Personal Stylist's Course is designed as a structured training program.

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