Cutter/Draper

Job Code 00007047

**General Description**
Responsible for cutting, draping, and drafting patterns for construction of theatrical costumes according to designer’s specifications.

**Examples of Duties**
- Make flat and draped patterns for theatrical costumes.
- Transfer the pattern to costume.
- Cut and stitch body block.
- Fit mock-up of costume.
- Change shape of mock-up to design.
- Cut all costumes out of fabric.
- Stitch costumes not assigned to students.
- Serge all costume seams.
- Meet with the designers to discuss and clarify sketches.
- Meet with supervisor and shop assistants to discuss production assignments.
- Supervise costume fitting on actors.
- Decorate and trim costumes.
- Press and alter costumes as needed.
- Perform other duties as assigned.

**Knowledge, Skills, and Abilities**

**Knowledge of:** Tailoring and creating specific design elements on costumes; historical patterns in costume shapes and fabrics; theater and plays and the relationship with costumes.

**Ability to:** Read textbooks, designers’ instructions, information about performances; accurately record measurements, making notations on pattern pieces; write instructions for stitchers; measure actors, draft patterns, and estimate yardage of fabric and other materials needed; instruct students about costume construction; draw and draft patterns and costume ideas; cut and drape according to patterns and design; fit and adjust costumes to fit actors; decorate and add finishing touches; serge and finish seams of costumes; alter and repair costumes; construct period undergarments; see shapes and relationships to apply to two-dimensional shapes; work under deadlines; teach students about costume construction.
**Experience and Education**
To qualify for this classification, an individual must possess any combination of experience and education that would likely produce the required knowledge, skills, and abilities.

**Other Requirements**