

# The Effectiveness of a Training Program in Enhancing Graduates' Knowledge and Skills Regarding the Manufacturing of Men's Outerwear

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## Abstract:

The educational process represents one of the fundamental pillars for the advancement of any society seeking progress. Therefore, developed countries strive to enhance it by innovating systematic methods and teaching approaches based on scientific thinking that take into account students' individual differences. Training programs are considered one of the means of advancement in the garment industry and an outcome of scientific and technological progress, while at the same time serving as one of the pillars driving this progress. This has recently attracted the attention of researchers and specialists across various scientific and practical fields. Accordingly, the present study aimed to develop a training program to enhance graduates' knowledge and skills in the production of men's outerwear, apply the proposed program to the graduates, and assess its effectiveness in improving their knowledge and skills in this field, as well as exploring their opinions toward it. The study adopted the descriptive and experimental approaches, and the sample consisted of (35) graduates from the Department of Fashion Design, College of Arts and Design, Qassim University, in the academic year 1444 AH, particularly as they had not previously studied the "Men's Garment Manufacturing" course during their enrollment at the college, reflecting an educational and skill gap. The findings revealed statistically significant differences between the pre- and post-test mean scores of the graduates in the proposed training program in favor of the post-test, as well as statistically significant differences between the pre- and post-test mean scores in both the knowledge and skill tests in favor of the post-test. In addition, the graduates' opinions toward the proposed training program were positive. The results indicate the effectiveness of the proposed training program in achieving its objectives, as it significantly contributed to developing the graduates' knowledge and skills related to men's outerwear production.

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