

Fashion is about dreaming and making other people dream. It is an ongoing cycle. It is about conveying one's emotions through a form of art. It's a cultural influence. Every piece of garment you see has a story of its own. Fashion, in a way, is about a sense of history and pride, and it embodies a great sense of purpose than just a garment tossed on to cover bodies.

Fashion has piqued my interest since I was a kid. Fashion, to me, is an art. It is a concept that can be interpreted in various ways, which makes it fascinating that everyone has a different style. Fashion, to me, is a form of expressing myself and showing my personality. It makes me feel alive and present and enables me to convey emotions through creativity. My interest in fashion has grown over the years through my evolution of expressing myself with different styles.

The vast, diverse culture in India has been a massive part of every aspect: cinema, music and dance, art and fashion. The vibrant colours, the unique designs are great examples of this. Indian fashion is not only inspired by one particular culture; it is a mixture of every religion, tradition and culture that has ever existed. That was what fascinated me more about fashion and how it adapts itself in any form or shape.

I was only ever familiar with Indian and western fashion until I stumbled upon Korean pop culture. Getting familiar with kpop and kdramas helped me open my mind to a whole new world of fashion and lifestyle. The aesthetics were so different to what I was used to. The minimalistic clothing and the neutral colours were so diverse yet fascinating. It is safe to say that Korean fashion has influenced my current sense of style. My choice of studying fashion in Korea has heavily been influenced by kpop and kdramas and street style wear.

To better understand how the fashion industry works on the inside and gain better knowledge about it, I enrolled myself in a fashion institute. I gained valuable insight into how the designing sector, buying sector function and produces a garment. Receiving this opportunity confirmed my career aspirations in fashion.

Studying at a fashion institute helped me teach a good knowledge about a variety of subjects. Studying various topics ranging from photography to public relations to fashion journalism and visual merchandising helped me gain a vast amount of knowledge about different fields. Subjects such as textile, fashion illustration and fashion styling made me realize where my interests lie.

Along with studying, I've also been a part of a few fashion shows held at my university and fashion shows held at the state level, working as either the stylist or the makeup artist. I have also had the honour of being the photographer for my university and clicking some fantastic cover photos for the university magazine. I have also been a part of workshops for jewellery making and accessory making. Being a part of activities like these helped me gain practical knowledge along with theoretical knowledge.

Studying art during high school has challenged me to take more risks. It has also greatedened my appreciation for different art forms. From engaging in the subject, I have a good awareness of the formal elements, such as colour, textile and composition, which is essential while working in fashion, from product design to marketing and branding. Studying journalism and creative writing has helped me develop my writing skills, researching, essay writing and revising.

My interest in fashion fuels my creativity and determination, and I am excited to improve the technical skills I already have and to combine my love for fashion with knowledge of

designing and styling. I want to delve deeply into the fashion world, increasing my growing curiosity and expertise. The skills I have built on my own through my profound interest in the area and my skills developed throughout education make me the perfect candidate to take on.

In pursuing my Master's degree, I plan to finish it within two years. Since the Korean language is needed to understand lectures and communicate with people, I plan on studying it alongside my studies. I also plan to build a good rapport with my professors and classmates to keep a peaceful and comfortable environment around me. I would also be joining clubs and being a part of events arranged by the university.

To strengthen my fundamental knowledge in my field of study, I would attend seminars and workshops held at the state, national and international levels provided by the university. I aim to at least clear TOPIK Level 4 during my time at the university. Over the past years, my chosen subjects have provided me with a solid educational background necessary to gain further knowledge and understanding, which I hope to continue developing at your institution.