

Equipment List:

See Armstrong pp. 2 – 4, Aldrich p. 6, R.D. pp. 10 – 15, Smith pp. 12 – 31

Sewing Equipment**Machine and Pressing**

- ☐ Sewing machine with straight and zigzag stitch capability
- ☐ Machine needles (variety: universal, stretch, denim)
- ☐ Bobbins
- ☐ Steam iron
- ☐ Ironing board or pressing surface
- ☐ Press cloth

Cutting

- ☐ Fabric scissors (8–10” dressmaking shears)
- ☐ Small thread snips
- ☐ Seam ripper
- ☐ Rotary cutter
- ☐ Self-healing cutting mat (if using rotary cutter)

Marking and Measuring

- ☐ Flexible tape measure (see below)
- ☐ Tailor’s chalk or washable marking pen
- ☐ Straight pins (glass head preferred)
- ☐ Pin cushion or magnetic holder (wrist or table)
- ☐ Hand-sewing needles

Basic Notions

- ☐ Muslin fabric
- ☐ Thread (all-purpose polyester for most projects)
- ☐ Safety pins
- ☐ Fabric clips (magic clips)

Sewing Machine Feet

- ☐ Walking foot (for knits or slippery fabrics)
- ☐ Zipper foot
- ☐ Invisible zipper foot
- ☐ Blind hem foot
- ☐ Rolled hem foot
- ☐ Pin tuck foot
- ☐ Edgestitch foot
- ☐ Stitch in the ditch foot

Useful but Optional

- ☐ Pinking shears
- ☐ Applique/duck bill scissors
- ☐ Buttonhole chisel
- ☐ Fray-check (for buttonholes)
- ☐ Point turner

- ☐ Tailor's ham
- ☐ Sleeve roll
- ☐ Clapper
- ☐ Awl
- ☐ Bodkin
- ☐ Loop turner
- ☐ Bias tape maker
- ☐ Snap pliers
- ☐ Overlocker/serger

Patternmaking Equipment

Drafting Surface and Paper

- ☐ Marking paper (lightweight pattern paper with symbols)
- ☐ Paper (roll or large sheets)
- ☐ Tracing paper
- ☐ Cardstock or manila/tagboard (for durable blocks; 0.007 – 0.019 Granite Tag)

Measuring and Drafting Tools

- ☐ Tape measure (60", metric and imperial; plexiglass center won't stretch with time)
- ☐ Measuring gauge (seam gauge)
- ☐ Flexible steel ruler (12")
- ☐ 18"–24" x 2" straight ruler
- ☐ Clear gridded ruler (6" x 24" recommended)
- ☐ Hip curve
- ☐ French curve (Deitzgen #17)
- ☐ Sleigh curve
- ☐ Vary form curve
- ☐ L-square or tailor's pattern square (24" x 14" metal)
- ☐ Measuring triangle
- ☐ Simflex folding measure (for buttons)

Marking Tools

- ☐ Mechanical pencils (0.5 or 0.7 mm and #2-H or #4-H lead recommended)
- ☐ Colored pencils (red, blue; for revisions)
- ☐ Eraser
- ☐ Fine-tip pen (black, green, red, blue; for final block lines and pattern information)

Cutting and Marking

- ☐ Paper scissors (separate from fabric shears)
- ☐ Pattern notcher
- ☐ Awl
- ☐ Push pins
- ☐ Pattern weights
- ☐ Transparent pattern tape (e.g., magic mend scotch tape)

Useful but Optional

- ☐ Pattern (hanger) hook for pattern storage
- ☐ Pattern tracing wheel (pointed and blunted)
- ☐ Carbon tracing paper
- ☐ Pattern drill punch
- ☐ Pattern storage envelopes or tubes
- ☐ Dress form (for draping and evaluation)