

Staff Opinion

What is one Fashion Trend You Can't get Behind?



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Fashion Trends

I had to do some research prior to completing this response because my

knowledge of fashion trends is nearly nonexistent, and frankly, I have not made much progress in developing a negative opinion of any one style. I've found that I take more issue with the fact that someone would continually buy more pieces and throw old ones away as soon as they are outmoded than with the actual styles themselves. The way I see it, some people simply pull off specific styles better than others, and fashion is so individualistic that it is, in fact, detrimental (as detrimental as having "bad" fashion can be) to apply those styles broadly. Fashion trends also minimize fashion's value as a form of artistic self-expression. Unique clothing items, in particular, allow one's personality to shine through and help break up stylistic monotony. I am not inclined to bash these oft-delightful anomalies.



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Kerstin Hilzendeger
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What is with these Colors?

I will be the first to admit that I have a terrible, and I truly mean terrible, sense of fashion. But the one thing I will never understand is who picks the colors for the year, and more importantly, why. If there is one thing you can always count on to see in any department store is the strangest colors imaginable. Anywhere from the most neon of oranges, to the palest of pinks, the most sour greens possible, the most pastel yellows, and even the dull-est browns. Where do these colors come from? And whatever happened to a nice, calming navy blue or a mysterious black sweater. Classic, timeless, and slightly less blinding. I may never understand where such colors come from, but for me, I will continue to seek out my few comfort colors, regardless of if they are considered "trendy" or not.



Sophia Fafard
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Low Rise ≠ High Fashion

Low-rise jean shorts are trending right now, and I despise it.

I went shopping back in May for some fresh summer clothing, and I made the mistake of going to the mall to find new fits. While there, I realized just how insanely popular low-rise jean shorts are. I don't understand it—these shorts give us (women) no coverage and zero comfort.

I like high rise shorts, I always have, but I find low rise shorts to be unwearable. In my opinion, they look bad and awkward. I have tried on low rise jeans and hated it—I feel like they aren't worth the hype and I cannot fathom why they are trending right now.

At least summer is almost over and I can go back to wearing my high rise jeans and cozy sweaters.



Kayla Hilzendeger
Graphic Designer

The Void vs. The Crumb Capturer

From the very first second I heard the

idea of this question floating around the office, I knew exactly what I wanted to write about: handbags. The purse and handbag industry has always been a bit of a rollercoaster, really starting the ups and downs in 1944 when LLBean released one of the first oversized totes. Lately, these oversized bags have made a resurgence in the world of fashion, however, the totes today seem almost caricature-like in proportion to a practically sized bag.

The trend that really irritates me is the micro-handbags for its lack of practicality. Now, I can't get too upset because micro-handbags led to the creation of cross-body bags, which I tend to gravitate towards for daily use, but the folks who carry handbags too small to fit a cell phone or even a chapstick, I have one question... Why?!



Liberty Friez
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Fashion Trends I Don't Like

I have a few fashion trends I just do

not understand. It isn't because they are inherently bad or unattractive.

Crocs are the main one. They aren't comfortable, they look chunky, and why do people think they go with every outfit. No, your bright green crocs should not be worn to a funeral, sorry. They are lounging around at home shoes rather than out in public shoes, and people don't get the memo.

The next being blonde hair. Specifically fake blonde hair. Why is it a trend for girls (and guys) to take their perfectly healthy hair and dye it blonde. Not only can it ruin your natural hair, everyone knows it's not real. Also blonde is a hard color to replicate and it is not always done well. If you must spice up your life, buy a pair of crocs, or break up with your boyfriend, or watch "Off Campus." Don't ruin your hair.



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Leave it to the Middle Schoolers

Please don't come for me because of my take as it's just my personal opinion, but one fashion trend I do not like is baggy jorts. Jorts in general aren't really my thing but when I see overly baggy jorts I think "why?" I'm talking about the ones that go past your shins. At that point just wear baggy jeans. I think that overly baggy jorts are some of the ugliest pieces of clothing and overall ruin the rest of the outfit. While writing this I realized I hate baggy shorts in general. Jorts are still the worst but wearing baggy shorts that go to your shin past middle school age is just embarrassing.



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Blissful Ignorance

If you know me, you would know that I have practically no knowledge of fashion trends. I find this far from sorrowful. In fact, I relish this ignorance. While it might be amusing to bash an outfit that might or might not be trending, I think I will instead give a brief thought on clothing in general. The way we clothe ourselves sends a message to others. When we dress well and modestly, it demonstrates our thoughtfulness for others, but a constant baggy, bedraggled, or shocking appearance leaves others with a much different perception. This mindset keeps me blissfully free from the mutable world of trends.