

Assessment Criteria

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Masking a body: The way of care through defining the inside and the outside

Purpose

The main theme I worked on, in this class is to take apart and explain the ways in which covering a body with clothing shows care for others and yourself through defining the personal space, and furthermore to separate care into physical care and mental care.

The relationship of self awareness and clothing

Wearing clothing is dividing yourself from others and making a concept of the inside and the outside by the artificial approach. That behavior makes it possible to be yourself as yourself. To define yourself with the condition of something inside, it is going to be difficult to recognize yourself as "yourself includes your skin" because your skin is existing as a wall to separate you from outside. It means we only can recognize and define ourselves properly, by just covering up the skin with one more layer of artificial skin which is clothing.

Hedgehog's dilemma

The Hedgehog's dilemma describes a situation in which a group of hedgehogs seeks to move close to one another to share heat during cold weather. They must remain apart, however, as they cannot avoid hurting one another with their sharp spines. Now, we find ourselves in a Hedgehog's dilemma caused by the worldwide pandemic. Physical contact is avoided everywhere to prevent infection, but we miss intimacy through physical expression in daily life. Coronavirus is a sharp spine on our skin which is disturbing our ability to enter each other's personal spaces.

BlackSheep / SHREK

My master final project is gonna be a collection for protecting personal space and solitude as a shield and demanding distance. Also, it's a challenge of committing to use wool as a key material in the collection because I was supposed to join Connecting Wool.

(SHREK: Shrek was a Merino wether sheep in New Zealand. Merinos are normally shorn annually, but he escaped from the farm and avoided being caught and shorn for 6 years. He was named after the fictional ogre, "Shrek" because he was apparently hiding in a cave with his massive wool coat.)