

DRESS CODE POLICY

College of Medicine students, at all levels of education and training, are expected to maintain a proper professional image in their behavior and personal appearance at all times. During the pre-clinical years medical students are expected to wear clean, appropriate apparel (shirts, pants, shorts, dresses, skirts, etc.), shoes, and the UCF ID badge to all academic functions and on the premises of the College of Medicine. During the clinical training years, and any time students are in the Clinical Skills and Simulation Center, have contact with patients, or are in patient care areas, the following dress code is in effect:

Dress Code for Patient Care and Clinical Activities

Students must maintain an appearance that conveys a professional image and is suitable for duties in all patient care areas including patient encounters in the CSSC, the ambulatory setting and hospital wards. Acceptable requirements for appearance include the following:

- a) Photo identification badge must be worn at all times when engaged in College of Medicine sanctioned activities off campus, as appropriate.
- b) White lab coats when required for an activity should be clean, wrinkle free and in good repair.
- c) Professional clothing: Pressed slacks or skirt as appropriate for gender. Neat, clean shirt or top.
 - a. Men should wear dress shirts with collar. Ties are mandatory for patient care.
 - b. For women, low cut, midriff, strapless or see-through blouses, shirts or dresses are not acceptable. Undergarments should not be visible.
 - c. T-shirts with slogans or pictures are not allowed.
 - d. Jeans, shorts, miniskirts and athletic shoes are not considered professional clothing.
 - e. Closed toe shoes are required in clinical care sites (no sandals or open-toed shoes permitted).
 - f. Shoes should be clean with heels no greater than 2 inches.
- d) Jewelry selection: Two earrings per ear maximum may be worn and must be appropriate for patient care areas. Other than earrings, no visible piercings are allowed. Bangle bracelets are not permitted.
- e) Makeup should project a professional image.
- f) Hair must be clean and styled in such a manner as to prevent inadvertent contamination during patient care and other professional duties. Unusual and unprofessional hair styles or color are not allowed. Long hair should be controlled in the back and unable to fall forward during activities. Facial hair must be neatly groomed or clean-shaven.
- g) Headgear that is not worn for religious purposes is not allowed.
- h) Fingernails should be clean and maintained at a reasonable length of $\frac{1}{4}$ " or less. Acrylic nails are not allowed.
- i) Body art/tattoos should not be visible.
- j) For patient comfort purposes excessive perfumes, colognes, aftershaves, scented lotions, etc. should not be worn in patient care settings.
- k) Gum chewing or use of any tobacco products is not allowed in clinical settings.