

<b>Policies of the University of North Texas Health Science Center</b>	<b>Chapter 07 – Student Affairs, Education and Funding</b>
<b>07.125 Student Dress Code Policy</b>	

### Policy Statement.

Students are expected to dress in an appropriate manner, convey a professional appearance or image, and are expected to be neat and clean. Except for clinical labs involving direct or simulated patient contact or other locations that require different dress, casual clothing is acceptable. All students must also abide by their academic program's expectations of professional dress.

### Application of Policy.

This policy applies to all UNTHSC students.

### Definitions.

### Procedures and Responsibilities.

#### Procedure / Duty

#### Responsible Party

#### 1. Classrooms:

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Student

- Students are expected to dress comfortably, but in such a way that does not detract from learning activities and abiding by the above guidelines.
- On days when students have a guest lecturer or when an instructor gives specific instructions related to attire, it is expected that students will dress appropriately to represent the school in a professional manner.

#### 2. Laboratories:

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Student

- In all laboratory settings, students are allowed to wear surgical scrubs. However, they must wear the appropriate safety gear such as goggles, gloves, lab coat, and foot wear as approved by the lab supervisor and the UNTHSC Safety Office.

Physical Exam Laboratory and Examination:

- During practice labs:
  - Students may need to dress in such a way as to facilitate practice of physical exam skills (i.e. the wearing of tank tops or sports bras). However, outside of such labs, students should dress appropriately as outlined in this policy.
  - Students are responsible to have all required and appropriate equipment in hand during all labs.
  
- During an examination:
  - Lab coats are required, per the instructor's request.
  - Appropriate professional dress is required, per the instructor's request.
  - Students are responsible to have in hand all required and appropriate equipment during all examinations.
  - If the student is acting as a patient during an examination, he/she may need to dress in such a way as to facilitate this situation. This may include female students to wear tank tops or sports bras. Outside of this situation and that of the lab, students should dress appropriately as outlined in this policy.

### 3. Clinics and Internships:

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Student

- In the clinical or health professions setting, students should dress in a fashion such that their patients/clients accept them as health care providers.
  
- Students not meeting department, hospital, and/or clinic standards of dress and appearance may be denied access to patients/clients and may thereby jeopardize their grade and satisfactory completion of the rotation or elective.
  
- Clinical attire may consist of a clean white lab coat for all students, at the request of the instructor. In addition, appropriate attire for the clinical or health professions setting includes dress shirts, slacks, skirts or dresses.

- Clinical/internship dress may be altered as deemed appropriate by a clinical department, attending physician, or health professions setting.

#### 4. Conferences/Professional Meetings:

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Student

- Students are often afforded the opportunity of attending and/or presenting at local, regional and national meetings of professional societies. On such occasions, students are expected to dress appropriately for these conferences, as their appearance and conduct directly reflect upon the Health Science Center.

#### References and Cross-references.

#### Forms and Tools.

All student related policies can be found online at  
<http://www.hsc.unt.edu/policies/PoliciesList.cfm>

UNTHSC Catalog: <http://www.hsc.unt.edu/catalog/>

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