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Context:

Preclerkship Non-Clinical Dress Code Developed by the MCG Class of 2011, modified by MCG Classes of 2023 and 2025

Appropriate Attire for Daily Lecture and elsewhere on campus: Students should be well groomed and wear appropriate clothing at all times. The following are examples of appropriate attire for students on a day-to-day basis (not including Patient Centered Learning or guest lecturers). Athletic clothing is not appropriate for lectures or any PCL activities. Also, hats/hoods should not be worn indoors (any building: hospital, classroom, lab, etc.).

Tops should cover shoulders (if wearing a tank or halter top, a sweater/cover should be worn over it) and completely cover the mid-section when standing, sitting, or bending over. All low-cut shirts should be worn with an undershirt.

Students wearing inappropriate attire (i.e., used anatomy scrubs) may be asked to leave and may face additional sanctions related to missing mandatory activities.

Appropriate attire includes:

- Collared or button-up shirts, professional blouses, and sweaters
- Appropriate T-shirts – it is recommended to stick with plain or university T-shirts with the school name
- University/appropriate hoodies and jackets
- Clean, pressed scrubs
- Professional-length skirts, dresses, or shorts
- Slacks, capri pants, or jeans (in good condition and without holes)
- Loafers, sandals, nice flip flops, or tennis shoes that are clean and without holes

Attire that is NOT appropriate:

- Used anatomy scrubs that have not been washed, or anatomy scrubs with lingering stains or odors
- Operating room/hospital-issued scrubs at any time or in any condition (in accordance with hospital policy)
- Other scrubs that have not been freshly laundered and have the potential to introduce pathogens and/or offensive odors
- Rubber flip flops or beach sandals
- Shirts with written statements like “trust me, I’m a doctor,” any sorority/fraternity shirts, or other shirts with offensive language
- Loungewear, pajamas, or house shoes
- Worn out clothing
- Athletic attire (athletic shorts, yoga pants, etc.)
- Short skirts, dresses, or shorts
- Low cut tops or tops that show midsection



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White Coat Attire expected for PCL and Guest Speakers/Lecturers (Deans, guests, and/or patient visitors):

- Business casual with white coat
- Clean, pressed scrubs with white coat
- First year students who have not yet received a white coat should wear business casual attire and may not wear scrubs without a white coat as white coat attire

Appropriate Attire for all Clinical Activities (including but not limited to OSCE, hospital, standardized patients, all other patient interactions) can be found under the Clinical Dress Code Policy.