

DENTAL ASSISTING DRESS CODE

We wish to call attention to some expectations concerning your dress. The goal is to help the student identify proper attire and alleviate the necessity for instructor intervention, when the attire does not meet the expectation.

CAMPUS DRESS CODE

While on campus the student should be clean, free of body and mouth odors, dressed in good taste, in line with the profession for which they are training.

There are campus rules that must be followed when you are not in uniform.

1. Skirts and shorts should be no more than 2 inches from the top of the knee, shorter skirts and shorts are not acceptable.
2. Midriffs or unbuttoned shirts exposing the chest and bellies, tank tops, spaghetti strap tops or body suits/bicycle pants and halter tops are not acceptable.
3. Hats/caps and sunglasses are not acceptable classroom attire.
4. No flip flops or thongs can be worn.
5. No clingy or tight clothing is allowed.
6. Any violation of the dress code will cause the student to be dismissed from campus.
7. Please be considerate of the fact that the odor of strong perfumes colognes or cigarette smoke is offensive to many people.

UNIFORM DRESS CODE FOR BOTH CAMPUS AND CLINICAL SETTING

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1. Dental Assisting students are required to wear the school uniform (Scrubs).
2. White shoes, well fitting, low heels and polished, leather or leather like-material with ties, will be acceptable. Student's duty shoes should be worn only for clinic and internship and not for outside activities.
3. Students will wear white or beige hose, or plain white socks. Colored socks are not acceptable.
4. Watch with a sweep second hand.
5. Student ID with clip. (Provided by the school)
6. Proper underclothing is required (brassiere, etc.).
7. No visible jewelry, except wedding rings. Facial Jewelry or tongue rings are not acceptable. Earrings worn must meet these requirements:

No larger than a dime, one pair only in the lobe of the ear, silver, gold, or matching white, Earrings that are large, dangle, colorful are otherwise seen as inappropriate for professional attire will not be acceptable.
8. Tattoos and passion marks must hidden.
9. Medic Alert tag is acceptable.
10. Only the school approved Lab (warm up) coats may be worn when in uniform. No other sweaters/jackets are allowed with uniform.
11. Approved white lab/warm-up coats will be worn in the lecture room and must be worn in the school lab and clinical area. This lab/warm-up coat must be purchased and in use by the second week of student's fall semester.
12. Chewing gum is never a part of the uniform
13. Please be considerate of the fact that the odor of strong perfumes or cigarette smoke is offensive to many patients.
14. Fingernails must be short (not longer than the nail pad), clean, and free of all nail polish. False nails are not acceptable.
15. The objective of wearing the hair short or pulled back is:
 - a. Cut down on cross contamination of microbes.
 - b. Look professional, neat, attractive. Therefore, just pulling the hair back and pinning it down may meet the letter of the law, but may not look

professional or attractive. Please find an easy style that looks flattering on you! Hair must be either short or pulled back so that no hair moves forward or falls toward the patient. Loose pony tails are not acceptable. Long hair needs to be French braided, rolled, or in a bun. Acceptable hair accessories are: gold/silver-tone barrettes, school approved white scrunches, gold/silver/white metal, a bun cover, banana clips.

16. Be conservative in the application of make-up.
17. Any deviation from the uniform dress code will be noted by a faculty member. On the students evaluation form, uniform violations will be noted.

MALE STUDENTS

- A. Uniforms
- B. White shoes and socks
- C. Same rules on watch, jewelry, fingernails
- D. Beards and mustaches must be neatly trimmed.
- E. No ear or tongue rings or facial jewelry.
- F. Tattoos and passion marks must hidden.

PERSONAL HYGIENE HABITS

KEEP YOUR BODY CLEAN. BRUSH YOUR TEETH AFTER LUNCH. Most offices prefer you not smoke as the odor gets in your clothes.

Colognes or perfumes are not to be worn. Many patients are allergic to particular odors.

Any use of alcohol and/or drug substances which have mind-altering properties is prohibited prior to class, campus lab, and/or clinical internship and are prohibited on the college campus (see Student handbook)

Eating, drinking, and smoking is permitted in designated areas only.