



**DEPARTMENT OF PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT STUDIES
POLICY**

POLICY NAME:	DRESS CODE AND STUDENT IDENTIFICATION POLICY
RESPONSIBILITY For Development/Review:	<input type="checkbox"/> University Admin <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Dept. Chair/ Program Director <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Academic Director <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Clinical Director <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Faculty <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Medical Director <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Administrative Secretary
APPROVED BY:	Faculty
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SUPPORTIVE DOCUMENTS:	DPAS Student and Policy Handbooks
OCCURANCE:	<input type="checkbox"/> Daily <input type="checkbox"/> Weekly <input type="checkbox"/> Monthly <input type="checkbox"/> Quarterly <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yearly <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> As Needed
PURPOSE:	To define the expectations of the department's dress code and required student identification.
POLICY:	<p>Dress Code Students must maintain professional business attire which is required for all classroom/clinical experiences or any representation of the DPAS or the University.</p> <p>The following guidelines are to ensure a professional image for all student encounters throughout the program. Professional appearance shall project competency, inspire confidence, and communicate respect.</p> <p>Students are to dress in business casual attire unless otherwise instructed by faculty or clinical preceptors. Pants should be worn at the natural waistline, proper undergarments should be worn and should not be visible. Shirts, tops, and dresses should have sleeves and a collar, or a modest collar-line that does not show shoulders or cleavage. All shirts and tops must cover the midriff. The length of skirts/dresses must not be shorter than one inch above the top of the knee.</p> <p>Violations of the dress code policy are unacceptable for PA students in the classroom or in clinical training areas, unless for medical or religious reasons. For guidance regarding professional dress, please see a faculty advisor.</p> <p>Students will be required to purchase two lab coats that have an embroidered University and Departmental logo. Students will be responsible for the cost and for any replacements that might be necessary. Ordering lab coats will take place through the DPAS.</p> <p>In the clinical setting, the student is expected to dress professionally and wear their white lab coat. Lab coats and clothing must be neat, clean, free from any offending odors, fit properly, wrinkle free and in good condition.</p> <p>It is expected that students maintain good personal hygiene, this includes cleanliness, lack of offensive body/mouth odor and cigarette/cigar smoke odor. Additional requirements</p>

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	<p>may be imposed in laboratory settings or patient care areas. Students should avoid heavy fragrances, perfumes or colognes which may be offensive and/or cause allergic or adverse reactions.</p> <p>Student Identification Students must wear an appropriate identification badge to distinguish themselves as students when attending off campus activities and clinical experiences. University IDs will be required and must be purchased from the One Card office on campus. Students will be responsible for the cost of this ID and for any replacements that might be necessary.</p> <p>Violations of the Dress Code and Student Identification Policy will be dealt with on a case-by-case basis and with the Professionalism Policy as warranted.</p>
OTHER NOTES:	