# Dress Code for Clinicals, Simulations, and Skills Labs

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<th>Dress Code Element</th>
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| ID Badge/ Patch            | • The OHSU ID Badge must be worn at all times while working.  
  • Easily readable.  
  • Worn above the waist with the picture facing out.  
  • Must have OHSU patch on scrub’s right upper sleeve when wearing lab coat.                                                                 |
| Hair                       | • Clean, dry and neat.  
  • Color should be those that occur in nature (no pink, purple, blue, etc.)  
  • Well-groomed so that it does not interfere with safe job performance.  
  • Long hair (including facial hair) secured while delivering patient care and elsewhere as required by departmental policies.  
  • Mustaches, sideburns and beard neatly trimmed and combed.  
  • Hair should be off the collar.  
  • Hair accessories should be minimal (no flowers, sparkly headbands, etc.).                                                                 |
| Jewelry                    | • Professional and kept to a minimum (includes necklaces, bracelets and earrings).  
  • Must not interfere with work or present a possible mechanism for injury to employee or patient.  
  • Pierced jewelry limited to the ear and a small single stud in the nose.  
  • Dangling jewelry and loop earrings larger than a dime are not to be worn in direct patient contact areas.  
  • All other body piercings should be covered with clothing or left without jewelry.                                                                 |
| Fingernails                | • Clean, trimmed to a length that will not interfere with employee’s work.  
  • No nail polish.  
  • Adornments limited.  
  • For those providing direct patient care: no artificial nails, acrylic overlays, nail tips and nail extenders. **Natural nails should be flush with fingertip.**                                                                 |
| Fragrance                  | • All personal care products must be unscented or fragrance-free.                                                                                                                                               |
| Tatoos or Body Art         | • Should not be visible. Student must make every reasonable effort to cover them at all times.                                                                                                               |
| Clothing                   | • Students providing direct patient care must wear the prescribed scrubs/uniform.  
  • Scrubs/uniform must meet the OHSU dress code requirements, be in good repair and present a professional and neat appearance.  
  • Students are required to have full scrubs, a lab coat, a name badge, and a watch with a second’s indicator.  
  • The OHSU Monmouth campus scrubs/uniform is the same as the Portland campus: **dark green.**                                                                 |
- A shirt (t-shirt or turtleneck) under the scrubs for warmth is allowed, but must be in good repair and be **white. No other color is permitted.**
- Students are also permitted to wear a **white** vest over the scrub top for warmth.
- Faculty may specify circumstances where nice street clothes may be worn with a lab coat when not giving direct care in the clinical agency.
- Excessively tight (“skin-tight”), revealing, or baggy clothes, including bare midriffs and cleavage exposure, is not acceptable.

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<td>White and leather are preferred, but solid color athletic shoes with discreet trim may be worn. Other neutral shoe colors such as tan, brown, gray, or black are also acceptable.</td>
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<td>Socks, stockings, or hosiery of some kind must be worn.</td>
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<td>No boots or sandals.</td>
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Students will need to adhere to their specific clinical site dress code policies. Students will need to check with their clinical faculty or clinical preceptor every term to make sure they are compliant with the site’s dress code.

Consequences for not abiding by the dress code may result in student being sent home from clinical, simulation, or skills lab, and a possible academic warning. If a student is sent home, he/she may or may not be able to make up missed clinical hours. It is up to the discretion of the clinical instructor.