

## COLLEGE OF PHARMACY DRESS CODE

(Approved by faculty 8-20-03)

Students of the MUSC College of Pharmacy should at all times dress in a manner consistent with the professional nature of the program. Enforcement of the dress code is the responsibility of class officers, preceptors, and instructors. In the absence of a stated policy for an individual course or setting, the following dress code will apply:

### Professional Dress

- **Professional dress** is required for Pharmacy Care Laboratory, Pharmacy Experiential Units, all rotations, and at all times in patient care areas.
- Your **MUSC identification badge** must be worn on an outer garment as close to eye level as possible.
- **White professional jackets** must be worn and be clean and neatly pressed.
- **Footwear** should be clean and appropriate for the setting (no athletic shoes or sandals).
- **Men** will wear a dress shirt, tie, and full-length pants
- **Women** will wear a dress or, blouse or sweater with a skirt, skort, or dress pants (all garments must be of appropriate length).
- **Cosmetics** should be used in moderation.
- **Perfumes, colognes or heavy fragrances** should not be worn, as many people are offended by, or allergic to, chemical scents or odors.
- **Jewelry** should be conservative in style and kept to a minimum to prevent loss or injury to self or patients. Visible pierced body jewelry is limited to two small pairs of earrings in earlobes. Dangling earrings and bracelets/bangles should not be worn. Wristwatches may be worn. Rings and bracelets are limited to a total of three each. A single short necklace may be worn. Jewelry is to be removed if it is excessive and/or interferes with safe delivery of patient care.
- **Fingernails** must be clean, short, and neatly trimmed. Clear or light colored nail polish is acceptable. Extreme nail polish colors and artificial fingernails, tips, wraps or fillers may not be worn.

## **COLLEGE OF PHARMACY DRESS CODE (cont'd.)**

- **Inappropriate attire for professional settings includes:**
  - T-shirts
  - Isolation gowns or patient gowns
  - Recreational attire including: exercise/jogging shorts or sports outfits
  - Mini skirts, sun dresses, halter tops, tank tops
  - Blue denim jeans and pants made of spandex or lycra material
  - Party clothes such as glitter, sequins, or other evening attire
  - “Revealing” clothes such as low-cut, sheer, see-through, or tight/form fitting attire
  - Leather clothing
  - Dark glasses (except for documented medical reason)
  - Head wear including hats, sweatbands, and bandannas
  - Surgical scrubs worn by non-OR staff
  - shorts of any style
- If for **religious, medical or cultural reasons**, there is a need to deviate from this policy, the student must:
  - a. make a request to the Associate Dean in writing.
  - b. be willing to provide required documentation.
  - c. have written approval from his Associate Dean

## **Classroom and Campus Dress**

- MUSC identification badge worn on an outer garment
- clean and neat clothing suitable for the setting (including jeans and shorts)
- clothing which might embarrass or offend others will not be worn