

**UNIVERSITY OF PITTSBURGH  
SCHOOL OF NURSING  
ACADEMIC POLICIES AND PROCEDURES FOR THE  
UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAM**

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<b>TITLE OF POLICY:</b>	<b>DRESS CODE FOR CLINICAL SETTING</b>
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**POLICY:** The uniform identifies an individual as a student in the University of Pittsburgh School of Nursing and is to reflect a positive and professional image of the individual and the School. The following regulations govern Student Dress Code for Clinical Settings.

Dress Code for Female Students (Hospital and Community Agency Uniform)  
Uniform will be selected by the School of Nursing

Dress Code for Male Students (Hospital and Community Agency Uniform)  
Uniform will be selected by the School of Nursing

**General Regulations**

The name pin includes the student's name, class and University of Pittsburgh School of Nursing and is to be worn above the chest pocket.

The uniform must be purchased through the chosen school supplier.

**Where Uniforms Are Worn**

The uniform is worn during clinical laboratory experience conducted in agencies where the use of a uniform is required.

The uniform can be worn during travel between one's place of residence, lower campus, nursing classes and areas of clinical practice.

**General Regulations for All Students**

Variations in the dress code due to the requirements of the clinical setting will be clarified by faculty.

Exceptions to the dress code which are related to cultural or religious beliefs may be granted by the Associate Dean of Clinical Education or a designee, upon written request by the student.

The uniform is to be neat and clean at all times. Solid white shoes must be neat and clean. No open-toed shoes or sandals.

Watch and stethoscope are required accessories.

A white laboratory coat may be worn over uniform or street clothes when directed by faculty.

When street clothes are worn, they must conform to the dress code of the clinical agency.

Hair is to be neatly groomed, off the collar, in a style appropriate for a professional person. Hair wraps in solid black or white color may be worn after approval by instructor and clinical facility.

Male students are to be clean shaven or have a neatly trimmed beard.

Nails are to be clean, neat, and short in length. A clear or light pink shade of nail polish is acceptable.

Make-up is to be applied so that a natural look is conveyed.

The only jewelry that may be worn with the uniform is the following: smooth band ring small button-style pierced earrings (one per lobe), federal service pins pins for recognized professional and honor societies.

Visible body jewelry must be removed.

Undergarments cannot be visible.

Tattoos cannot be visible.

It is the responsibility of each student to follow these regulations.