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POLICY TITLE: DRESS CODE POLICY

All students will wear the designated nursing student uniform provided by University of Houston Andy and Barbara Gessner College of Nursing (CON) in all clinical settings unless otherwise specified by the clinical instructor. Clinical agency dress code policy must be followed as well as the CON Program policy. Failure to comply will result in the student being dismissed for the day and credited with an absence, which may result in the inability to meet the course objectives.

1. Uniforms will be worn only in the clinical area and simulation laboratory settings as directed by course faculty. The only approved uniform pants are those issued to students from the uniform store; cuffed scrub pants are not permitted.
 2. Uniforms will be clean, wrinkle free and well fitted.
 3. The CON student photo ID will be visible on the left chest of the scrubs or lab coat at all times, as directed by faculty. This is the only badge permitted with the exception of a badge issued by a clinical-affiliate. The clinical-affiliate badge should only be displayed while at the issuing facility. No personal employment badges are permitted.
 4. Black shoes must be all leather with closed toes and closed or strapped backs. Socks must be worn, and the color should match the shoe.
 5. Hair must be a natural color and clean. Shoulder length hair must be pulled back and secured. Long bangs are to be secured out of the eyes.
 6. Beards and other facial hair should be clean and neatly trimmed at a clipper level 2 or less.
 7. Artificial eyelashes or eyelash extensions are not permitted.
 8. General cleanliness and good grooming are expected at all times. Heavy makeup, perfumed scents or strong body odor are prohibited.
 9. Jewelry is limited to one wedding set, a watch, and one set of stud earrings.
 10. Body piercings and tattoos must be covered in a manner as to not draw attention to these adornments. Earlobe gauging or elongation is not permitted.
 11. Nail polish/artificial nails are not permitted.
 12. Lab coats may not be worn in the clinical facility while administering patient care.
 13. Gum chewing is not permitted in the clinical areas.
 14. During health assessment lab, pre-approved UH tank and shorts are required.
 15. Any warm-up jacket to be worn over the CON uniform must be a college-approved solid, lint-free, zippered garment. Student ID badges must always be visible even when wearing a warm-up jacket.
 16. Dress for pre-clinical includes a lab coat over street clothes with a photo ID badge, as directed by course faculty. Street clothes must be neat and professional. Blue jeans or other denim clothing is not permitted. No open toe, open heel, or high heel shoes are permitted.
 17. Any items worn on the head, either to help keep hair away from the face or those that are religious in nature, must be solid black.
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