

Clinical Uniforms

Students are required to be in uniform for clinical activities and must appear neat and professional at all times. Students must adhere to the clinical agency uniform policy as well as:

1. Students will be neat, clean and well-groomed.
2. Hair must be neat, clean and worn in a simple-off-the-collar style, away from the face and not obscuring vision, the entire time while in uniform. No extreme hair color allowed. Students with hair dyed any color other than that natural to humans will not be allowed to participate in clinical rotations. Neutral-colored headbands (brown, black, white, or off-white) are allowed. No bows, ribbons, scrunchies, or scarves shall be worn.
3. Men should be clean-shaven. Established beards and mustaches are to be always neatly trimmed. Side burns, if any, will be no longer than earlobe length.
4. Fingernails will be clean and short. No nail polish or artificial nails or nail tips can be worn.
5. Perfume, scented hair or body products, or heavy makeup will not be worn.
6. Undergarments must be worn but should not be visible through clothing.
7. No body piercings may be visible.
8. No tattoos may be visible.
9. Students should not have a noticeable smoking odor during clinical hours.
10. A clinical ID badge must be worn at all times while on healthcare facility premises.
11. The PN clinical uniform is as required:
 - a. Female Students: 1) A short sleeved white uniform dress with a collar, hemmed to length below the knee with full length white hosiery and an official Wallace College PN program patch sewn onto the upper right side of the uniform dress OR 2) A short sleeved white collared female uniform top with official Wallace College PN program patch sewn onto the upper right side of the top and black scrub pants or skirt with white socks or white hosiery. No pants with ankle cuffs allowed. Pants dragging the floor and frayed on the cuffs are not allowed due to safety and infection control measures. Short sleeve tee shirts may be worn under tunic tops. Lab jackets (with official Wallace College PN program patch sewn onto the upper left sleeve of lab jacket) are permissible. Lab jackets must be below the waist and above the knee in length with wrist-length sleeves. No cuff sleeves allowed.
 - b. Male Students: A short sleeved white collared male uniform top with an official Wallace College PN program patch sewn onto the upper right side of uniform top and black scrub pants with white socks. Pants dragging the floor and frayed on the cuffs are not allowed due to safety and infection control measures. Short sleeve tee shirts may be worn under tunic tops. Lab jackets with an official Wallace College PN program patch sewn onto the upper left sleeve of lab jacket are permissible. Lab jackets must be below the waist and above the knee in length with wrist-length sleeves.
 - c. Shoes must be white leather-like shoes. They must have enclosed toes and heels. No tennis or canvas shoes can be worn.
 - d. A watch with a second hand must be worn. Other jewelry will not be worn, including rings, earrings, bracelets, and necklaces. The ONLY exception is a plain wedding band.
12. All students must bring to clinical the following items: stethoscope, pen light, bandage scissors, pen, and a copy of ALL required medical documents.
13. To retrieve patient assignment at facility prior to day of clinical activity, uniform, as described above may be worn OR, the approved lab coat as described above over a dress shirt, dress pants, and shoes with enclosed toes and heels, OR the approved classroom uniform with closed-toe shoes may be worn. No shorts or jeans allowed. Skirts/dresses above the knee are not allowed.
14. Pinning Ceremony attire will abide with the aforementioned rules with the following exceptions:
 - a. Female students are required to wear a white nursing dress, with a collar, with shoes and hosiery as described for female students in the policy above, without the official Wallace College PN program patch.
 - b. Male students are required to wear the same uniform top as described above for male students, without the official Wallace College PN program patch, and white scrub pants.

Students who fail to meet these guidelines will be considered unsatisfactory and may not be allowed to participate in clinical activities for that day.