DDD GRADUATE STUDENT ATTIRE POLICY

Responsible administrator: Associate Dean for Academic Programs
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Many HSOP graduate students are exposed to hazardous chemical, biological, and physical agents. These exposures and the resulting use of personal protective equipment (PPE) may make it uncomfortable and in some cases hazardous to wear typical professional attire. Thus, graduate students pursuing laboratory research are permitted to wear casual clothing, including jeans and collarless shirts. It is expected that attire be in good condition, neat looking and devoid of graphics of questionable taste. Furthermore, graduate students are expected to adhere to accepted standards for bathing and personal hygiene.

Safety issues dictate that hats, bare feet, open-back or open-toe shoes, sandals, flip-flops, miniskirts, shorts, skorts, Capri pants, sweatpants, bare midriffs, neckties, and dangling jewelry (earrings, bracelets, necklaces) are prohibited in laboratories. Visible pierced jewelry is prohibited with the exception of stud earrings. Graduate students are required to wear appropriate personal protective equipment, including but not limited to laboratory coats, latex gloves, face shields, goggles, and safety glasses. However, latex gloves and laboratory coats are not to be worn in elevators, classrooms, offices, or other communal spaces unless absolutely necessary. All HSOP graduate students are required to wear their identification badges in the workplace.

Graduate students offering instruction in the Pharm.D. program, including the Skills lab, are required to adhere to the attire standards of the professional program. Moreover, graduate students wearing attire that does not adhere to the standards of the Pharm.D. program are strongly urged to avoid classrooms, hallways, and gathering places for the Pharm.D. students.

Exceptions to the attire policy will be granted to accommodate accepted cultural or religious practices. Contact the Director of Graduate Programs for details.