When medical students are working in a clinical setting, they are required to maintain a clean, neat and tidy appearance, since dress reflects one’s professional attitude toward the patient.

Specifically, recreational clothes such as T-shirts with printed slogans, tank-style blouses and “casual” shorts should not be worn. Hair should be well-groomed and hands clean with nails trimmed.

Unless instructed otherwise by the preceptor, clean, white clinical jackets should be worn on the wards, ambulatory clinics and doctor’s offices.

ID badges must be worn and visible at all times.

In the interests of patient comfort, perfume/cologne should not be worn.

Due to the admittedly subjective nature of what constitutes “appropriateness” of dress, if in doubt, students should consult with individual preceptors to determine in advance each preceptor’s expectations.