NOVA SOUTHEASTERN UNIVERSITY
ENTRY-LEVEL MASTER OF OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY

DRESS CODE

The NSU occupational therapy department observes the College of Health Care Sciences dress code policies (Handbook 2013-14, pp. 99-100, 129-130, & 139), whether on or off campus, during the workday for program-related events. Students may wear scrubs or professional dress to class and should bring their lab jackets. Occupational therapy students may wear NSU OT polo shirts (sold by SOTA) and either khaki or dark-colored pants only in the following circumstances and at the discretion of the OT department; when students are engaged in pediatric, community, or clinical experiences, Level I fieldwork, or volunteer experiences or special events, either on or off campus.

All pant legs must be trouser, boot-cut or straight in style. Jeans of any color, slim or tight leg pants, leggings, and shorts of any length are not acceptable for academic experiences. Clothes should be modest, as befits a business or health care professional. Flip flops, sandals, and open-toed shoes are never allowed. Heels should be a sensible height for walking on campus. OT promotional T-shirts are only permitted if they do not feature sexually suggestive language and are pre-approved by the Chair, such as for association fundraising or promotional events. Jewelry, makeup, and grooming should be professional and subtle, rather than trendy and bold.

For orientation, students should come in professional dress, as described above. Suits are not required, but we do not want to see maxi dresses that one would wear at the pool or beach, either.

Consequences (see Handbook pages listed above):

- Email to student, cc: to advisor
- Note in student’s file in the OT office
- Asked to leave class or site