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 work day for program-related events. Students may wear scrubs or professional dress to class. Instead of the scrub top, students may wear OT T-shirts of any color, as long as the language is appropriate, professional, and not sexually suggestive. Occupational therapy students may wear NSU OT polo shirts (sold by SOTA) and either khaki or dark-colored pants 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. OT white lab jackets may be required for some fieldtrips and Level I fieldwork experiences, so students should have one lab jacket.

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. 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 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

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