
Student Dress Code Standard

Policy

The Shasta College Nursing student uniform will be worn to all off campus clinical assignments unless otherwise directed by the course faculty. The uniform may be purchased at uniform shops, catalogs, or on-line.

The Shasta College Nursing uniform consists of top and pants or skirt in “hunter green”. The Nursing patch will be affixed to the upper chest area of the uniform top. A white jacket is optional. The jacket will also have the patch affixed to the left upper chest. A white shirt may be worn under the green uniform top.

Dress Code Standards

- Any student who shows up at clinical in violation of the uniform codes will be sent home and it will be counted as an absence.
- Uniforms and other clothing worn to the hospital or other community-based healthcare settings will be freshly laundered and unwrinkled. A uniform and cover jacket should not be worn two days in a row without laundering.
- Uniform fit must be consistent with a professional appearance. Uniforms must be sized adequately to allow for **all movements** necessary for patient care without exposing any torso skin or chest cleavage. Uniforms also must not fit so tightly that movements are hampered or reveal unnecessary body form or undergarment lines.
- Shoes: Clean, white, polish-able leather shoes that fully enclose the foot are worn with the uniform. Open heel clogs are unacceptable.
- Socks/Stockings: Full white or green crew socks (not ankle/athletic foot socklets) or white/neutral-toned hose will be worn with uniform pants. White/neutral-toned hose (no socks/socklets) will be worn with the uniform skirt.
- Nametag: An official Shasta College Nursing program nametag will be worn to all clinical assignments. Purchase of nametags will be arranged prior to the first day of clinical. (\$10.00 at the Associated Student Body office)
- Shasta College Emblem: An official Shasta College patch is required on the green scrub top on the white warm-up jacket. Each emblem will be displayed on the left upper chest pocket. (Purchased at the Bookstore)
- Fingernails are to be clean, short, and smoothly rounded. Nail polish and/or artificial nails are not allowed in the clinical setting.
- Hygiene: Good personal hygiene including a neutral smelling deodorant is expected. Perfume or cologne is not allowed in the clinical setting.
- Undergarments will not be exposed through the uniform. An all-white round neck short-sleeved T-shirt may be worn as an undergarment and exposed at

the neck of the uniform top. The T-shirt sleeves must not extend below the sleeve of the uniform top.

- Jewelry - Other than the jewelry mentioned below, no other visible jewelry is allowed.
 - Rings: Students may wear one ring as long as it does not pose a threat to patient skin integrity. A wedding set constitutes one ring.
- Body Piercings
 - Earrings: One pair of inconspicuous pierced earrings is acceptable. For your own safety, hoops or dangling-off-the-earlobe earrings are not allowed.
 - No other body piercings can be visible.
- Tattoos: Some facilities utilized for clinical experience require visible tattoos to be covered either by clothing or a bandage. Your course faculty will convey your facility's policy and procedure.
- Hair must be clean, off the collar, neat, and contained away from the face. Hair should not be falling in your face or into your field when working with a patient. Long hair must be secured up and off the collar.
- Facial hair should be kept clean, trimmed, and neat.
- Hand to mouth activity in a patient area (including nurses' stations) is a breach of the Occupational Safety and Health Administration regulations. Examples: chewing gum, sucking on lozenges, eating food, drinking fluid, applying lipstick or lip balm.

While in the clinical setting, the student is responsible to provide the appropriate tools to perform their nursing responsibilities. The student is responsible for the purchase and maintenance of these items.

- watch with one-second increments
- black ballpoint pen
- bandage scissors
- hemostat forceps
- goggles
- penlight
- stethoscope