

Uniforms

1. The student uniform is determined by the student group and approved by faculty. A specific date for ordering uniforms as a group is announced. Students are required to purchase a uniform top from Solmes Uniform Company. Should students wish to order additional uniforms or school insignia patches or name pins after the initial order has been placed and received, students need to individually contact the uniform company.

Solmes Uniform Co.
2337 Delons Road
Osceola, WI 54020
1-800-367-7831

The complete uniform consists of:

Female Uniform

Specified colored scrub top worn over professional white pants or skirt.

White or neutral hose / white socks.

White nurse's shoes.

Students may use white athletic shoes if they are worn only for clinical use.

Shoes must be in good condition.

Minnesota State University, Mankato School of Nursing name badge.

Male Uniform

Specified colored scrub top with breast pocket worn over professional white nurse's uniform pants.

White socks.

White nurse's shoes.

Students may use white athletic shoes if they are worn only for clinical use.

Shoes must be in good condition.

Minnesota State University, Mankato School of Nursing name badge.

RN Baccalaureate Completion Students will wear a white professional uniform and will be required to wear a Minnesota State University, Mankato name badge which indicates the title of "RN" after their name.

Community health nursing and mental health nursing students: Uniform as determined by the agency policy. Dress clothes are appropriate. Name badges will be worn as determined by the agency.

The University insignia is worn on the left sleeve of the colored scrub top.

The University insignia is worn on the left sleeve of a lab coat. A lab coat is optional. The purpose for using one is to cover clothing when in a clinical setting. The lab coat serves to identify the student, protect the student's clothing, and protect a client from any microorganisms on the student's clothing.

Lab coats are appropriate for additional warmth when needed.

Hose is required with all skirts.

Hair must be neatly arranged and long hair must be pulled back.

Beards and mustaches are permitted but must be trimmed; otherwise male students must be clean shaven.

Jewelry should be limited to one set of stud earrings (one earring per ear), wedding ring, and watch. Clinical agencies may have additional policies regarding jewelry. No visible body piercings are allowed except the ear lobes.

Make-up should be subtle. Fingernails should be reasonably short and groomed. Nail polish and /or artificial fingernails are not allowed for infection control purposes.

Colognes and perfumes must not be worn. Odors such as smoke or body odor must be absent.

The following items are NOT permitted to be worn as the student uniform:

White denim pants, T-shirts (or any shirts with insignias/color), leggings, stirrup pants, capri pants, anklets/knee-high socks with skirts, colored shoestrings, or clothes made of lightweight see-through fabrics.

Students must adhere to dress code policies of assigned agencies.

Students inappropriately dressed for clinical may be asked to leave.

2. In view of patient safety and comfort, students will be expected to assume responsibility for appropriate hygiene and neatness.
3. A student who is preparing for a clinical assignment, completing a patient assessment, or returning to the hospital after clinical experience hours to look at patient records must wear the full uniform or lab coat with dress clothes. The MSU name badge must be worn. Students are not permitted to wear sweatshirts/pants, jeans, shorts, or boots.
4. Within the clinical setting, hospitals provide limited space for placement of coats, books, and belongings during clinical hours. Avoid bringing valuables to the clinical site because safety of those items cannot be guaranteed.