

AC511: School of Nursing - BScN and PN - Uniform

Policy Title:	School of Nursing - BScN and PN - Uniform
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See also:	School of Nursing Clinical Practice Policy

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BACKGROUND

Purpose:

The purpose of this policy is to ensure that all St. Lawrence School of Nursing students participating in clinical placements and working in professional settings are appropriately attired for the expectations of the nursing profession. The dress code ensures the safety of both the caregiver and the client; promotes mobility and comfort; reduces the risk of cross infection; projects a professional image; complies with the policies of the clinical area; and allows identification for security purposes.

Scope:

This policy applies to all students studying in the Nursing programs at St. Lawrence College while participating in Acute and Non-Acute clinical settings.

POLICY STATEMENTS

The dress code as outlined in this policy is **MANDATORY FOR ALL STUDENTS** of the St. Lawrence College nursing programs.

- The BScN program has adopted a navy-blue uniform for acute care clinical placements (years 1-3) and casual business dress or uniforms (depending on the placement) for non-acute placements. Students must have an additional uniform (of a colour other than navy blue) for nursing laboratory sessions and/or 4th year acute care clinical placement and according to agency policy.

- The Practical Nursing program has adopted black pants and a white scrub top for acute care and business casual for non-acute placements (depending on the placement). Students must have an additional uniform (of a colour other than black & white) for nursing laboratory sessions.
- Students who are not dressed appropriately will not be admitted into the clinical area and will be required to make up the missed time with a fee (See School of Nursing Handbook for cost).

MONITORING

It is the responsibility of the Senior Vice President, Academic and Student Success and the Deans/Associate Deans to ensure adherence to the policy and to interpret the policy.

NEXT POLICY REVISION DATE

September 2031

SPECIFIC LINKS

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