

Faculty of Health

Work Integrated Learning

Physiotherapy Uniform Requirements

Students participating in Work Integrated Learning (WIL) must adhere to the following uniform requirements. Students who do not comply may be sent away from their allocated site. Any potential modifications due to cultural reasons or other extenuating circumstances must be discussed and approved by the Physiotherapy WIL Academic, provided these do not pose any risk to the student or the patient.

Personal Hygiene and Grooming

Personal hygiene is essential for students to ensure a professional presentation to consumers. Please avoid strong perfumes or colognes, as some patients or staff may be sensitive to fragrances.

Hair should be neat, well-groomed and long hair always tied back neatly. Beards should be trimmed and well-maintained. Makeup should be minimal and professional. Natural fingernails neatly manicured and no longer than the tip of the finger, no fingernail enhancements including nail polish, acrylics, extensions etc.

Clothing

All clothing must meet the appropriate Work Health and Safety (WHS) requirements for tasks undertaken during WIL. Clothing must be in good condition and clothes with discernible rips, tears and holes are not permitted. Clothes should be clean, ironed and free from stains.

- SCU polo shirt that can be purchased from [School Locker](#).
- Tailored black full-length pants or scrub pants with either elastic or non-elastic hem. Examples are available [online](#).
- Knee length black shorts or calottes that allow movement.
- Black leather fully enclosed low-heeled shoes (as per laboratory standard) that are clean and polished. Examples are available [online](#) and include black leather sneakers.
- SCU Student [ID Card](#)

Students are **not permitted** to wear:

- T-shirts, singlets or low-cut tops
- Leggings, denim, jeans, sports shorts or short skirts
- Leisure/active-wear
- Sneakers (other than black leather sneakers) or open-toed shoes
- Outwear including jumpers, vests or cardigans due to infection control procedures

Jewellery and Accessories

Students must keep jewellery minimal, professional, avoid wearing large or distracting accessories and limit piercings. No hand or wrist jewellery (including watches), exception of one significant plain ring, as jewellery could interfere with clinical tasks or pose a risk to the patient

Safety and Infection Control

All students must adhere to any specific infection control dress standards, such as wearing gloves, masks, or protective eyewear when required.