

College of Veterinary Medicine Policies and Procedures

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Staff and Students

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Faculty and staff should serve as role models for students.

Students are expected to wear MSU-CVM student IDs/name badges at all times while in the Animal Health Center, and are encouraged to wear MSU-CVM identification badges at all times while at CVM.

Students should refer to the guidelines for dress and appearance found in CVM Policies and Procedures "Guidelines for Professional Image" 55.7.06.

Lockers are provided near each work area to facilitate changing into clinical attire. Students should register their locker in the AHC Administration office (a1417). Lockers must be emptied and the AHC Administration office notified prior to graduation. All items left in lockers after graduation will be properly disposed of.

Students are expected to enter and leave the Animal Health Center in dress appropriate for the classroom. Students are expected to wear appropriate clinical dress at all times while on assigned clinical duty. Clinical duty includes normal weekday responsibility as well as primary and secondary emergency responsibility on weeknights, weekends, and holidays. Specific dress for selected services is as follows:

<u>Food Animal Service</u>—a tan coverall (uniform color) or maroon scrub top with khaki pants and clean leather or rubber boots are acceptable dress when working with animals. A clinical jacket worn over clothes that meet classroom standards is acceptable when not handling animals. Ties are not required while involved in physical restraint and treatment of animals. The same standard is applicable after hours and on weekends.

<u>Ambulatory Service</u>--Dress that meets classroom standards is required during travel to field assignments. Tan coveralls (each student should have a minimum of two (2) clean pair available for use each day) or maroon scrub top with khaki pants and clean rubber boots constitute acceptable field dress. Exceptions to the above will be made only on clinician's directions on a day-by-day basis. Examples of such exceptions would be: (1) for some nearby premises, personnel may change into

coveralls before leaving the College; (2) clean leather boots may be appropriate for some working situations.

<u>Small Animal Internal Medicine</u>--A clinical jacket worn over clothes that meet lecture room standards is acceptable dress. Students are expected to have a minimum of two (2) clean clinical jackets available for use each day. Students with assigned after hours, weekend and holiday duty may wear scrubs covered by a clean clinical jacket.

<u>Small Animal Critical Care Unit</u>--Dress that meets classroom standards is required for entering the building. Change into clean scrub suits for your shift in ICU or Emergency duty. Change back into classroom dress to leave the building. Clean lab coats should also be worn during the Emergency service. Name tags should be displayed at all times.

<u>Community Veterinary Services</u>—A clinical jacket worn over clothes that meet lecture room standards is acceptable dress. Students are expected to have a minimum of two (2) clean clinical jackets available for use each day. Dress that meets classroom standard is expected for after hours, weekends, and holidays. <u>Students will dress professionally at all times while in the Community Veterinary Services area.</u> This includes evenings, weekends, and holidays. (No riveted blue jeans, no shorts, no T-shirts, and no open-toed shoes are permitted.)

<u>Small Animal Surgery Service</u>—A clinical jacket worn over clothes that meet the classroom standard is acceptable dress outside of the surgical suite. Students are expected to have a minimum of two (2) clean clinical jackets and two (2) clean sets of scrubs each day. Scrubs are to be worn in the surgical suite area. When worn outside the surgical suite area, scrubs are to be covered with a clean clinical jacket.

<u>Diagnostic Imaging Service</u>--Students are expected to wear a clinical jacket over clothes that meet classroom standards. Students are expected to have a minimum of two (2) clean clinical jackets. Clean scrubs and a clinical jacket are also acceptable.

<u>Diagnostic Laboratory Services</u>--A clinical jacket worn over clothes that meet classroom standards is appropriate dress. Students are expected to have a minimum of two (2) clean clinical jackets available for use each day. The Diagnostic Laboratory Program furnishes white coveralls and rubber boots for use during necropsy procedures. These should be worn only in the necropsy area.

<u>Anesthesiology Service</u>--Students are expected to change into scrubs with clean clinical jacket upon arrival at the Wise Center. Scrubs are to be worn in the surgical suite area. When worn outside the surgical suite area, scrubs are to be covered with a clean clinical jacket. Students are expected to have a minimum of two (2) clean clinical jackets and two (2) clean sets of scrubs each day. Scrubs are <u>not</u> to be worn outside the building.

<u>Equine Service</u>--Appropriate attire for the equine area includes wearing a clean lab coat over slacks and a shirt or over surgical scrubs. Clean tan coveralls or maroon scrub top with khaki pants are also acceptable to wear in the equine area. Surgical scrubs should not be worn without being covered by a lab coat or coveralls. The surgical scrubs to be worn during surgery should not be worn in the clinic immediately prior to surgery. Footwear must be able to be dipped in disinfectant but rubber boots are not required except in isolation. Isolation attire is provided. Students are expected to wear nametags while in the equine area. This policy is applicable to any time a student is in the equine area and is not

limited to particular times of day or days of the year. Students will dress professionally at all times while in the Equine area. This includes evenings, weekends, and holidays. (No riveted blue jeans, no shorts, no T-shirts, and no open-toed shoes are permitted.)

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