

Higher Education Nursing Uniform and Kit – Student Fact Sheet



The tables below outline TAFE Queensland's expectations related to the Bachelor of Nursing Uniform and Nursing Kit requirements. Uniforms are required when attending your practical intensive labs (Sim Labs) and for Professional Experience Placement (PEP). Wearing uniforms is part of the Student Rules and professional requirements for this course. Please refer to the Course Handbook for information on student rules related to uniforms and personal presentation. *****This information is applicable to the Bachelor of Nursing ONLY*****

PERMITTED / ALLOWED

SCRUB TOP Students are required to purchase the relevant **TAFE Queensland branded scrub top** for their studies and supply the remainder of their own uniform for use in professional experience placement.

PANTS Students are to wear the TAFE Queensland scrub top with **black full-length scrub pants that fit loosely around the hips and legs**.

SHOES Shoes must be entirely **BLACK, flat heeled, and fully closed-in** (i.e. foot to ankle), **with non-slip soles**.
Leather shoes are recommended due to its durability but not mandatory.
Lace ups are not to extend the entire length of the shoe (to the toe).
Please ensure shoes are **non-permeable to fluids and sharps**. Shoes that will absorb fluid or can be pierced by sharps are not permitted (canvas or mesh).
Slip-ons, 'Mary-Jane,' ballet style, canvas, mesh, 'crocs', thong/sandal, loafer styles, or runners (even if they are black) are not permitted.

HAIR Hair must be **kept clean and hair must be secured away from the face. Hair any longer than the collar must be secured to ensure WHS/infection control safety** (longer hair can be caught in equipment, grabbed by clients, contaminate wound care or be affected by body fluid splashes).
Beards may need to be removed to comply with face mask (fit testing) requirements.
Students are advised to refrain from unnatural hair colours as these may not be acceptable in industry.
Any student who is required to wear a hijab (headscarf/ veil) must ensure it is in plain/neutral colours, such as black and it is tucked into your shirt (for infection control reasons).



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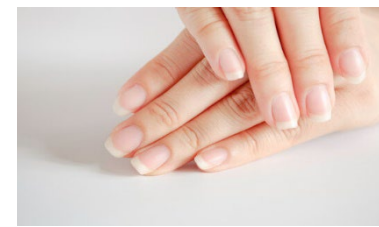


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JEWELLERY	<p>Earrings must be of a style that does not impact on the welfare or safety of the worker or client (simple studs or sleepers; no dangling or hoop styles that can be easily pulled from the ear or catch on equipment or clothing).</p> <p>Fob watches are recommended - wrist watches and/or bracelets are not permitted.</p> <p>Necklaces may be worn for personal preferences but must be of a length to be secured under the shirt and not visible at any time including during activities.</p> <p>Rings must be a simple band without raised stones or fittings, otherwise removed or worn under the shirt on a long chain.</p> <p>Body / facial piercings are to be removed or covered with skin-coloured bandaids or replaced with skin-coloured jewellery.</p>
FINGERNAILS	<p>Fingernails must be natural and of an appropriate short length and style to perform the tasks required in client care safely and effectively.</p> <p>Coloured and false nails are not permitted due to infection control/WHs risks e.g. causing skin tears, scratches, or as a reservoir for the growth of bacteria and fungus.</p>
PERSONAL HYGIENE	<p>Students are expected to attend in a clean and tidy manner with appropriate personal hygiene.</p> <p>Excessive body odour, odour from cigarettes or cologne/perfume is not permitted due to the potential impact on respiratory sensitivities and the close contact required when attending to client needs.</p>
NOT PERMITTED	
SHOES	<p>Slip-ons, 'Mary-Jane', ballet style, canvas, mesh, 'croc's', thong/sandal, loafer styles, or runners (even if they are black) are not permitted.</p> <p>Shoes that will absorb fluid or can be pierced by sharps are not permitted.</p>
LONG SLEEVES	<p>A longer-sleeved garment worn under the TAFE Queensland scrub top is not permitted. All students must remain bare below the elbows as per WHS requirements.</p>
PANTS	<p>The following are not permitted: Skirts and shorts of any kind, pants made from a stretchy material in any style. No tights/leggings, jeans, figure-hugging, low rise, flared, 'chino', patterned, cargo, or ankle-hugging styles</p>



HAIR	Ponytails or plaits longer than the collar and unnatural hair colours <i>are not permitted.</i>
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JEWELLERY	Visible Necklaces, wrist watches and all bracelets <i>are not permitted.</i> The only exception is a medical alert bracelet. All remaining body piercings, rings and ear piercings <i>are to be removed.</i>
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FINGERNAILS	Coloured and clear nail polish and false nails <i>are not permitted</i>
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HYGIENE	Excessive body odour , or odour from cigarettes, cologne or perfume <i>is not permitted.</i>
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PLEASE NOTE:

- Student identification **must** be clearly displayed on either the shirt collar or waist band *at all times*.
- Mobile phones **are not permitted** on your person during practical intensive sessions or on PEP
- Excessive makeup is considered **inappropriate** in clinical environments and discouraged.
- False eyelashes **are not permitted**.
- Lanyards or sunglasses worn on the head **are not permitted**.

Nursing Kit

Students may source the following items from a supplier of their choice (*items are available through a range of online stores*). The prices and quality will vary between the suppliers listed however basic quality equipment will meet your kit requirements. Students will need to bring all items to each semesters' Sim Labs.



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	Aneroid Sphygmomanometer (Adult size latex free cuff)	Stethoscope	Medical penlight with pupil gauge	Nursing Fob Watch with a second hand	USB stick
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These items are available for purchase from a range of Australian online suppliers and university stores including, but not limited to:

- [ParagonCare](#)
- [Medshop Australia](#)
- [Nursestuff](#)
- [Medisave Australia](#)
- [Nurses Only](#)
- [eNurse](#)
- [Nurse Supplies](#)
- [The Nurse Shop](#)
- [The Stethoscope Shop](#)
- [Paramedic Shop](#)

Note: The information above is current as at 12/11/2024. Please advise the Course Coordinator if you experience any issues or incorrect information.