

## Medical Radiation Science Clinical Uniform Policy

The following clinical uniform policy applies to any student attending clinical placement within the Medical Radiation Science Programs (Medical Imaging, Radiation Therapy or Nuclear Medicine). The clinical uniform policy is enforced to ensure students have a professional appearance and adhere to infection control policies.

The following attire must be worn during your Clinical Experience:

### UniSA Polo Shirt

- Tailored or relaxed fit UniSA polo shirt.
- The clinical shirt can be worn tucked in or over trousers/skirt.
- Must cover entire torso.
- Purchase from USASA: <https://shop.usasa.sa.edu.au/collections/uniform-placement>.



### Bare below the elbow

- Students should be **bare below the elbow** during clinical practice for infection control.
- If students have **cultural or medical reasons** that require coverage below the elbow, this will need to be **discussed with Course Coordinator** in advance of attending placement.

### Below the waist

- Colour: Navy or Black.
- Dress trousers or knee length straight skirt (no frills or asymmetric hem lines).
- Jeans, corduroy or leggings **are not acceptable**.

#### Acceptable examples



### Footwear

- Colour: Navy or Black.
- Fully enclosed shoes.
- Minimal heel height.
- Sport shoes or sneakers are allowed but must be predominantly black or navy (white soles are acceptable).
- Any socks or stockings – ensure no offensive material is visible on them.

#### Examples of acceptable footwear



#### Examples of unacceptable footwear



## Outerwear

- A plain navy or black jumper, cardigan or UniSA vest may be worn to and from clinical placement and during breaks.
- Bare below the elbows means only a UniSA vest may be worn during clinical placement **and only at the discretion of your clinical site.**
- Purchase a UniSA vest from USASA: <https://shop.usasa.sa.edu.au/collections/uniform-placement>.



## Fingernails

- Artificial nails, nail jewellery applied to the nail surface or pierced through the nail, appliques, tips, wraps, gels or acrylics **are not permitted** due to infection control policies.
- Fingernails should be kept trimmed, clean and neatly manicured.
- Nails should be free from nail polish.

## Jewellery

- Acceptable jewellery includes plain wedding band ring, plain earrings (i.e. studs/sleepers) and medic-alert bracelet.
- Removal of these items may be required for certain clinical activities **at the discretion of your clinical site.**
- All other jewellery **is not permitted.**

## Hair and hair coverings

- Hair: must be off the face and neatly tied back if longer than collar length.
- Facial hair: must be clean, neat and tidy.
- Head scarves, hijabs, turbans or a similar hair covering are permitted but must blend with uniform colours and be secured **at the discretion of your clinical site.**

### Other considerations

- Students are advised to **contact their Course Coordinator** prior to attending clinical placement for any site-specific policies relating to:
  - Visible tattoos or body art that may be considered extensive and/or offensive
  - Extensive facial piercings
  - Jewellery of religious or cultural significance

### Identification, Luxel and Protective Clothing

- The University of South Australia identification name badge **must** be prominently displayed at all times.
- A university-issued luxel **must** be worn at all times as per [UniSA luxel policy](#).
- Protective clothing may be worn **at the discretion of the clinical site**.

### Please note:

- Local clinical site requirements may supersede the UniSA clinical uniform policy.
- If a student does not comply with the stated Uniform Policy, the Clinical Supervisor may require them to leave the clinical site until they do comply.
- Please consult your course coordinator in advance of attending clinical placement if you wish to vary this uniform policy due to personal or cultural reasons.

	Accepted?	Not Accepted?	Student needs to contact Course Coordinator in advance of placement?	Is at the discretion of the clinical site once on placement?
<b>UniSA Polo shirt</b>	✓ UniSA Polo shirt - short sleeves	✗ UniSA shirt – long sleeves ✗ Non UniSA shirt	No	No
<b>Cardigan or jumper (generic make and colour)</b>	✓ To and from clinical placement and during breaks only	✗ Whilst undertaking examinations	No	No
<b>Vests (generic make)</b>	✓ To and from clinical placement and during breaks only	✗ Whilst undertaking examinations	No	No
<b>Vests (UniSA)</b>	✓ To and from clinical placement and during breaks	? Whilst undertaking examinations – ask clinical site	No	Yes
<b>Trousers</b>	✓ Navy or black ✓ Dress trouser style	✗ Any other colour ✗ Jeans ✗ Corduroy ✗ Leggings	No	No
<b>Skirts</b>	✓ Navy or black ✓ Knee length ✓ Straight fit	✗ Any other colours ✗ Frills ✗ Asymmetrical hem lines	No	No
<b>Footwear</b>	✓ Navy or black with navy, black or white soles ✓ Fully enclosed ✓ Minimal heel height	✗ Open toed ✗ Non-enclosed ✗ Platforms ✗ High heels ✗ Any other colour	No	No
<b>Jewellery</b>	✓ Stud or sleeper earrings ✓ Plain wedding band ✓ Medic-alert Bracelet	✗ All other jewellery	Yes For jewellery of religious or cultural significance	Course coordinator to liaise with clinical site
<b>Hair/hair coverings</b>	✓ Off of face ✓ Tied back – if longer than collar length ✓ Head scarves, hijabs, turbans that blend with uniform colours	-	No	Yes For securing of head scarves, hijabs, turbans for certain clinical activities
<b>Fingernails</b>	✓ Trimmed	✗ Artificial nails ✗ Nail jewellery ✗ Nail polish	No	No
<b>Visible Tattoos</b>	-	-	Yes	Course coordinator to liaise with clinical site
<b>Extensive facial piercings</b>	-	-	Yes	Course coordinator to liaise with clinical site
<b>Jewellery of religious or cultural significance</b>	-	-	Yes	Course coordinator to liaise with clinical site

\*\*\* Note that local clinical site requirements may supersede the UniSA clinical uniform policy outlined as above \*\*\*