

DRESS FOR SUCCESS – WOMEN

Women's Business Professional-Interview Clothing

- Wear a dark suit in solid colors and conservative style in black, brown, navy or grey
- Check fit: jacket sleeves should fall about ½ inch below the wrist
- Wear full-length pants or skirt that match the jacket in color and fabric
- Wear knee-length skirts and avoid high slits
- Check fit: avoid tight fitting clothing, especially skirts and blouses
- Wear a blouse or shell in white or a light color, avoid see-through fabrics
- Check fit: cleavage should not be showing
- Wear basic pumps with a low to mid heel, 1-2 inches high or dress flats may be worn
- No stilettos or platform shoes
- Avoid open-toed shoes or sandals
- Wear neutral hosiery (skirts) or trouser socks (pants)
- Wear simple conservative styles, earrings should be smaller than a quarter in size, necklace should be simple beads or chain
- Carry a portfolio for resumes, business cards, pen, and notepad; use a small handbag, no backpacks

Prepare For the Interview

- Dry clean suit one week prior, unpack and press clothing the night before the interview
- Remove lint, dangling threads or tacking stitches (new suits)
- Ensure clothing covers any tattoos or piercings (not ears)
- Avoid perfume, heavy makeup or lack of any makeup