

DRESS FOR SUCCESS

FOR THE INTERVIEW

WOMEN



The Look: You want the interviewer to remember what you said, not what you were wearing. Wear simple makeup and natural or subtle colored nail polish. Cover up tattoos and noticeable body piercings. Wear little or no perfume and jewelry.

Blouse: Wear a dressy blouse that compliments your blazer. No low cut or see through fabric.



Revealing clothes could distract or offend.

Suit: Wear colors such as gray, blue, black, subtle patterns, etc. Two-piece blazer with knee length skirt or dark slacks.



Stay away from jeans, short skirts, baggy or torn clothes.

Accessories: Portfolio to carry your résumé without folding it. Leave your oversized purse at home.



Do not wear headphones, earbuds, sunglasses, or excessive jewelry. Avoid anything flashy or noisy.

Shoes: Wear conservative colored closed toe dress shoes.



Open toes shoes are unprofessional. Avoid stilettos; you want to look and feel comfortable.



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MEN



The Look: Well-groomed hair and nails. Trim your beard or shave for a clean look. Cover up tattoos and body piercings. Very little or no cologne. **You want the interviewer to remember what you said, not what you were wearing.**

Shirt: Solid white or light color long sleeve dress shirt. Be sure you know your collar (neck) size and arm length for a fitted and comfortable look.



No T-shirts or Polos. Stay away from bright or domineering colors that are distracting to the employer for example red, green, yellow, etc.

Suit: Wear navy, charcoal grey, black, or a subtle pattern two-piece suit. Make sure you know your blazer size and arm length (e.g. 34-S, 38-R, or 40-L) for a custom fit.



Make sure your pants are hemmed and not dragging on the floor. Stay away from jeans, baggy or torn clothes.

Tie: Choose a color that compliments your suit or shirt in a subtle pattern or a solid color.



A bow-tie is not recommended for an interview.

Accessories: Portfolio to hold your résumé without folding it.



Do not wear headphones, sunglasses, or large jewelry. Avoid anything flashy or noisy.

Shoes: Polished dress shoes. Wear with dark socks that match with your suit color. Make sure your belt matches the color of your shoes.



Avoid flip-flops and sneakers.