

## Required Apparel

### **First Academic Year**

The Office of Academic Affairs is preparing the laboratories and classroom for your arrival! There are items you will need for participation in class and they are listed below. Many of these items will be used throughout the four years of the program, but you may be required to purchase additional items for clinical year. There is a dress code for all laboratories, which can be found in the student handbook. Please contact Academic Affairs ([acadaff@vt.edu](mailto:acadaff@vt.edu)) if you have any questions or concerns. You may purchase these items from any supplier, with the exception of your dissection kits, which are purchased through the college. An example of one such supplier is Veterinary Apparel ([www.veterinaryapparel.com](http://www.veterinaryapparel.com)).

### **Lab Coat**

Lab coats must be worn during ALL multi-disciplinary labs (MDL). They should be CLEAN and neat at the beginning of every lab, as biosecurity is a must.

These are the requirements for lab coats:

- **ONLY** White in color
- 3/4 length (mid-thigh to knee)
- Standard 3-pocket
- Cotton-polyester blend-recommend no iron for neat appearance

**Quantity:** Each student will need two (2) coats. Students are expected to come to lab each day with a clean lab coat.

**NOTE:** A very nice white lab coat will be presented to you at the White Coat Ceremony at the end of Orientation. You are encouraged not to wear this coat to laboratories, but to wear during your clinical year rotations and special occasions when a professional appearance is required. Replacement coats, or additional coats can be purchased at any uniform warehouse or the [University Bookstore](#) (\$23.00 XS-XL \$29.00 2XL \$30.00 3XL as of spring 2020)



**Helpful Hint:** Buy one lab coat big enough to fit over a sweater and one that will fit over lightweight clothing!

## Coveralls

Coveralls must be worn during ALL large animal handling labs. They should be CLEAN and neat at the beginning of every lab. Biosecurity is a must when working with large animals.

The coveralls must be **Navy**.

**Quantity:** Each student will need one (1) short sleeved coverall.

**NOTE:** Coveralls must be worn when attending any external lab involving large animals.

- Long sleeved insulated coveralls may be needed for fourth year rotations during winter months. For first year, it is not a requirement to have. Please do not purchase at this time.

**NOTE:** You **MUST** wear clothing under your coveralls.



## Rubber Boots

Rubber boots must be worn during all large animal handling labs.

These are the requirements for boots:

- Please remember, rubber, not leather
- No outside buckles, straps, or ties
- Biosecurity is necessary when working with large animals and the boots must be scrubbed and disinfected after each laboratory or farm visit
- You may purchase over-the-shoe type or boot slip-on type

**NOTE:** If you purchase the over-the-shoe type, close toed shoes must be worn underneath.

**Quantity:** Each student will need one (1) pair of rubber boots.



## Nametag

You will receive one nametag during orientation. Your nametag must be worn during ALL labs.

**Quantity:** The college will provide one (1) nametag for you. It is suggested that you order another, during Fall Semester. In mid-September, Kathy Farley ([kfarley@vt.edu](mailto:kfarley@vt.edu)) will contact the class for additional nametag orders. Another opportunity will be available in January.

## Student Identification Badges

Security within the college is a high priority and we must be able to identify all persons within the facilities. You have been given information on how to obtain your student identification badge and it is required that you display this badge at all times while in the college. All students will be given a lanyard during orientation to use for displaying badges.

## Dissection Kit

*(Estimated cost: \$132.00 Note this could change depending on vendor pricing when ordered)*

Your dissection kit has been ordered for you and your student account will be billed. If you are left-handed please verify that you have been given a left handed kit. The kits will be distributed during orientation.

Each kit includes the following:

- Scalpel Handle
- Taylor Precision Chrome Hammer
- Large Forceps
- Small Forceps
- Brown Adson Forceps
- Blunt/Sharp Scissor
- Curved Hemostats
- Blunt Probe
- Bandage Scissors
- 6" Mayo-Hager Needle Holder
- Suture Scissors
- Carrying Case

## Scalpel Blades

You will need scalpel blades for your anatomy laboratories and your clinical skills labs.

Scalpel blades can be purchased at the University Bookstore or any medical supply store.

These are the requirements for Scalpel Blades:

- Purchase #10 Blades

**Quantity:** Depending on your use, more or less may be required.

For the first year, please purchase twenty-five (25) blades.



**The spring semester of your 1st year, you will be required to purchase scrubs to wear during your surgery labs and clinical rotations. Dr. Jacque Pelzer will coordinate. Please budget accordingly.**