

DRESS THE PART

For Women

LONG HAIR

Long hair is fine, when it is styled correctly. An employer should never wonder if you own a comb or if you know how to use one!

LOOP DE LOOP

Earrings can give an outfit the extra pop, but in this case it is more of a blast, blowing away your opportunity to have a potential employer focus on you and not your earrings.

UNDERGARMENTS

Undergarments should be, just that, under your garments. Employers do not want to see your under clothing peeking through your outfit.

TANK TOP

It may be hot outside, but this tank is only going to burn out your job search. Cover up your assets, front and back.

VISIBLE INK

Every tattoo has a story, but most employers don't want to hear it. In many cases you don't know what the tattoo says about you to the employer.

EXCESSORIES

Rule of thumb or wrist is to keep it simple and neat. One accessory is the limit.

'HOLE'Y MOLEY

Although pants with built in air conditioning may be tempting, these pants are screaming to employers, "Take me and my career to the E.R. for emergency resuscitation."

BTW: When in a skirt a "mini" is too much, around the knee is just right.

CAT FIGHT

Leopard print is a interview no-no especially in a sandal, along with seeing your toes and where they meet. To put your best foot forward it should be in a sock/stocking and a closed toe dress shoe.

NEAT & CLEAN

Your hair should not stand up or out. You will stand out by having a well manicured appearance, combed hair and a smile.

KEEP IT SIMPLE

Jewelry is optional and if you decide to add some glam to your look, the simpler the better. Employers don't want you to flaunt your bling.

JACKET

A quick way to step up an outfit is to put on a jacket or cardigan. The blouse/shirt and pants say appropriate, the 3rd piece says professional.

LONG SLEEVE

A long sleeve does a couple of things. It gives you a clean and polished look and hides any creativity inked on your arm.

POLISHED NAILS

Finger nail polish should say 1 thing to an employer 10 times, I am the right person for the job. Steer clear of bright, bold colors. French tips or a neutral color say manicured and professional.

PRESSED PANTS

Preparation is key! Before you put those pants on have them pressed. Throwing them in the dryer doesn't count!

POLISHED SHOES

The one thing that can ruin the impression of professionalism in a jiffy is foot wear. Stick with dress shoes that are polished and clean.

