

MassBay Community College

Career Development Office



Dressing for an interview:

First impressions are important. Be sure to make a good one when you walk into that interview.

Following are some general guidelines for successful interview dress:

Men and Women

- Conservative two-piece business suit (dark blue or gray solid is best)
- Conservative shirt/blouse (white is best, light color is next best)
- Clean, polished conservative shoes
- Well-groomed hairstyle
- Clean, trimmed fingernails
- Minimal use of cologne or perfume
- Empty pockets--no bulges or tinkling coins
- No gum or cigarettes
- Light briefcase or portfolio case
- No body piercing (nose rings, eyebrow rings, etc.)

Just for Women

- No high heels
- Conservative hosiery at or near skin color (and no runs!)
- If you use nail polish use either clear or conservative color
- Minimal use of makeup (it should not be immediately noticeable)
- No more than one ring on each hand
- One set of earrings only
- Keep all jewelry to a minimum