

POLICY REGARDING FEMALE STUDENTS WITH DRESS CODE MODIFICATIONS BASED ON CORE RELIGIOUS BELIEFS

Although most if not all religions allow touching and exposure of patients and student patients for the practice and learning of medicine, the following modifications for clinical procedure laboratory exercises have been made for female students with specific core religious beliefs:

- 1. Female students will be paired with female students whenever possible.
- 2. Female students will not be palpated by male students whenever possible. However, female students will palpate male students.
- 3. Female students will have a female faculty member assigned to their table whenever possible.
- 4. Female students must wear a sports bra and shorts under scrubs, religious attire or both.
- 5. Female students must expose body parts during the time that a clinical procedure or palpation is being taught regarding that body part.
- 6. Female students will not be assigned to a separate room or partitioned area for clinical procedure labs; if possible, they will be assigned to an area in the periphery of the classroom.
- 7. When the female serves as the patient in laboratories requiring full body visualizations (i.e. static symmetry and postural examination), the College will allow such visualization to be performed behind a screen that will be neck high, allowing the faculty member to visualize the student over the screen, while still maintaining visual contact with his or her other assigned tables.
- 8. Female faculty members will be assigned whenever possible to evaluate these students when they serve as student patients for practical examinations that require full body visualizations.

Printed Name

Signature

NSU ID#

Date