Professional Attire for Men

Looking your best will help you project confidence and create a successful impression. Following are a few suggestions to maintain your professional image.

**General Tips for Professional & Casual:**

- No heavy cologne.
- Keep jewelry simple – no earrings.
- Hygiene counts! Shower and brush teeth.
- Keep nails and hair neat.
- No visible body art.
- Have all clothes neatly pressed, no holes or tears, replace any missing buttons.
- Look for classic fabrics, patterns and colors which are always in style and easy to accessorize.
- When in doubt, dress up!

**Business Professional:**

- Choose a conservative suit in navy or dark gray. Black is usually for more sophisticated markets or “glamorous” careers.
- A solid white or blue dress shirt with long sleeves offers the most polished look.
- Dress socks should be mid-calf length or above in dark colors and match your suit.
- Ties should be a subtle pattern and made of silk or silk-like fabric.
- Shoes need to be conservative, clean and well-polished. Lace-up shoes are best. NO sneakers.
- Belts need to match or closely coordinate with shoes. Quality counts.

**Business Casual:**

- Clean, pressed and clothes that don’t show wear is most important!
- Khaki pants or dress slacks.
- Long-sleeved, buttoned, solid or basic stripe color shirt. (Tucked in, with belt).
- Polo shirts (tucked in with belt) are ok, if in casual environment or hot climates.
- Leather belt and shoes are expected (no athletic shoes).
- Wear dark socks, mid-calf length.