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Liturgical Attire

For daily Holy Mass, for the Liturgy of the Hours on Sundays, Solemnities, and Feasts, and when serving in liturgical roles, seminarians wear:

- Roman cassock and collar with square neck surplice
- Black dress slacks, black dress shoes and black socks
- Long sleeve white shirt (preferred on Sundays and Solemnities)

When serving at the Cathedral Basilica of St. Louis, a surplice is provided.

Formal Attire

For formal events and special occasions (e.g., the Institutional Photo, the Kenrick Lecture, the annual evaluation with the Vice Rector, the Christmas Banquet, etc.), seminarians wear:

- Dress shirt (long sleeve preferred) with a traditional-style necktie
- Suit coat and trousers (with belt) or sport jacket and dress slacks (dark color)
- Dress shoes and dark socks which cover the ankle

Daily Attire¹

For all Academic classes, Communal Prayer (except Night Prayer), Formation Sessions, and Apostolic Service, seminarians wear:

- Seminary shirt* (preferred) or approved diocesan collared shirt (if an undershirt is worn, white only)
- Dress pants with belt (black, blue, or khaki slacks preferred; four pockets maximum; no denim)
- Solid black or solid brown shoes and dark-colored socks which cover the ankle
- Sweater may be worn over Seminary shirt or Seminary sweater over a solid collared shirt
- Any jewelry, including crucifixes and medals, should be worn beneath the daily attire shirt

For Days of Recollection, Retreat, and at weekday meals in the dining room, seminarians wear:

- Seminary shirt (preferred), approved diocesan collared shirt, or other collared shirt with slacks (no denim) and solid black or solid brown shoes and dark-colored socks which cover the ankle

Casual Attire

Jeans, shorts, sweatshirts, T-shirts, athletic wear, shirts with messages or advertisements, athletic shoes, and other casual clothes may be worn:

- During exercise, recreation, study or free time
- Fridays after lunch, and on Saturdays and Sundays after breakfast

Caps or hats should not be worn indoors.

¹ Follow the link on this webpage to order daily attire.