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## Proper Lab Attire by Jessica Tyre



As we begin the Fall 2016 semester it is important that we enforce proper laboratory dress code even if the weather is still warm. Long pants and closed shoes (no exposed skin) are required for lab activities or any activities involving hazardous materials. Long hair should always be tied back and lab coats are recommended to protect skin and clothing. Safety glasses or goggles are required to be worn whenever there is a splash hazard or the SDS (Safety Data Sheet) recommends eye protection. If you are working with equipment that runs loudly at decibel levels of 85db or greater, hearing protection will be worn such as ear plugs or ear muffs. Work with hazardous chemicals or biohazardous materials should always be performed in a fume hood or biosafety cabinet that has been professionally certified. Please check fume hood or biosafety cabinet functionality before beginning any type of work with these pieces of equipment.

The UNE Marine Science Center does allow shorts and sandals since they are often doing field work in wet environments. However, shorts and sandals are prohibited if individuals are working with hazardous materials that pose a risk of injury or illness. If there are any questions as to what constitutes proper lab attire or what type of PPE (personal protective equipment) that should be worn, please contact EHS or consult your SDS for that particular substance. REMEMBER, SAFETY FIRST!



# Minors in UNE Laboratories

By Peter Nagle

# UNE minors on campus Waiver Release Form



The University of New England (UNE) seeks to ensure the health and safety of all minor students (ages 18 and under) who are on campus. This waiver release form is intended to ensure that all minor students understand the risks associated with being on campus and to release the University of New England from liability for any injuries or damages that may occur while the minor student is on campus.

**ASSUMPTION OF RISK** I have understood that there are certain dangers, hazards, and risks associated with being on campus, including but not limited to, the use of equipment, participation in sports and other activities, and the use of facilities. I understand that these risks are inherent in the use of these facilities and activities, and I assume the risk of injury or damage to myself or others while participating in these activities. I understand that the University of New England is not responsible for any injuries or damages that may occur while I am on campus, and I release the University of New England from liability for any such injuries or damages.

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# EHS enhances outreach to students for lab safety

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# Before and After Hours Lab Policy

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There has always been a section of Chapter 16 (Laboratory Safety) in the UNE Safety Manual that specified



