

# What to Wear At Work

*Cracking Office Dress Codes*

The world of office-appropriate attire becomes increasingly complicated as work environments continue to evolve, now including trendy digital startups and shared spaces.



T.M. Lewin is here to help cut through the clutter and crack the dress codes of today so you can arrive both confident and fashionable from head-to-toe.

HERS



BUSINESS TYPE



HIS



Trouser suit or conservative-length skirt suit in a neutral, dark colour  
White-collared dress shirt  
Modest accessories  
Dark tights  
Neutral colour closed-toe heels

**BUSINESS  
FORMAL**

Always dress Business Formal for interviews. Use your best judgement for including subtle pops of personality.



Two or three-piece suit in neutral, dark colour  
White or plain formal shirts  
Solid-coloured unflashed tie  
Cufflinks or a watch  
Black or brown Oxford shoes



Conservative length skirt in modest colours  
Solid colour top or blouse  
Dark or nude tights  
Neutral colour closed-toe heels  
Modest statement accessories

**BUSINESS  
PROFESSIONAL**

Avoid dressing more than 1 level up from your office dress code to avoid being overdressed.



Dark-coloured suits in subtle, conservative patterns  
Pressed suit trousers paired with a matching jacket  
Formal shirts in traditional patterns and conservative colours  
Brightly coloured or conservatively-patterned ties



Skirt or suit trousers  
Shirts, jumpers, or blouses in solid colours or subtle patterns  
More casual statement jewellery  
Closed-toe heels, flats or loafers in any colour

**BUSINESS  
CASUAL**

Even if you work from home, dress as you would in the office to help shift your mind into work mode. Also, you never know when you might have to hop on a video call.



Formal shirts in any colour  
Jumpers or cardigans worn with collared shirts  
Ties are optional; most colours  
Suit trousers or chinos



Suit trousers or knee-length skirts in casual fabrics like cotton or dark denim  
Shirts, cardigans or blouses in a variety of colours and patterns  
Open-toed heels, flats sandals or wedges  
Most all jewellery

**SMALL  
BUSINESS  
CASUAL**

Only dress 1 level down on designated "casual" days.



Casual chinos or trousers – no jeans unless explicitly stated  
If denim is okay, stick to dark colours and straight-legged styles  
Collared polos, crew-neck jumpers in most colours and patterns  
Clean and well-kept trainers or loafers



Clean, wrinkle-free t-shirts  
Pops of colour and unexpected patterns  
Stylish shoes or accessories that display personality

**CREATIVE**

Take note of the majority of employee outfits when getting an office tour or going in for an interview.



Specific niche dress codes will depend on established office environment  
Trendy fashion items and layers  
Tailored denim

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