Business Casual Attire Explained

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Business Casual
Men and Women

Wear a neutral button down (tucked in) and dress it up with a sweater or sport coat.

Neutral coloured chinos or slacks are perfect. Again, avoid jeans as some companies frown upon them.

You don't need a tie for business casual outfits, open collar is totally fine.

Tailored dress pants are the move here. Go for a neutral colour and avoid denim.

You'll want to up your game with leather dress shoes here.

A tailored, neutral coloured blouse. Add a blazer or sweater to spice things up!

Comfortable pumps or fancy flats are perfect.
Could pass as Business Casual
Casual attire
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Business Casual Attire for Women

- Lightweight fabrics in non-neutral colors (vibrant colors, pastels)
- Neutral colored Blazer
- Accessories that fit your style
- Dresses/skirts with jackets
- Boots, modest heels, or flats
- T-shirts with jacket or a blazer
- Wide-legged pants or slacks
Business Casual Attire for MEN

- Comfortable sweaters
- Patterned or non-neutral dress shirts
- Casual slacks
- Simple blazers or jackets
- Stylish closed-toe shoes or boots
Gender Neutral Attire

- Blazers
- Dress shoes
- Casual pants or slacks
- Bold color dress shirts
What NOT to Wear to an Interview

- Flip-Flops, Sandals, or Open-Toed Shoes
- Shorts
- Heavy Make-Up and Perfume
- Overly Casual Clothing
- Headphones
- Scrubs
- Dirty Clothes
- Hats
- Sweatpants, Leggings, or Jeans
Also Avoid

- Torn or ripped clothing
- Clothing with graphics or messaging
- Revealing items, including items that reveal undergarments
- Athleisure
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