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Dear New VUSN Student:

Welcome to the Vanderbilt University School of Nursing. The School of Nursing Graduate Student Council is sponsoring the sale of white lab coats, which you will need for clinical rotations during the school year. All Pre-Specialty students are required to have a lab coat. Please note, however, that Direct Entry students in the Neonatal, Nursing Informatics and Healthcare Leadership specialties will NOT be required to wear lab coats.

The lab coats are made with the VUSN shoulder patch already sewn on and “Vanderbilt University School of Nursing” embroidered on the left side of the chest in black. You may have your first and last name embroidered on the right side in black. This is helpful in identifying your lab coat from those of other students. The enclosed order form includes a full description of the lab coat.

Buying your lab coat from the Graduate Council will save you the trouble of buying one when you arrive in the fall. The sale of lab coats serves as a fundraiser to underwrite the Graduate Council functions for the upcoming year, such as all-school parties, student/faculty social hours, student to student mentoring events, and snack breaks.

You should wait to buy any scrubs until you receive your first clinical assignment. There are many good supply sources near the campus or online. Faculty will outline very specific guidelines for scrubs during orientation.

The lab coats will be available for pick-up at New Student Orientation. See you there!

Sincerely,

VUSN Graduate Council

PS – Our very popular VUSN fleece jackets are available again this year. See enclosed order form. These will be available for pick up during orientation as well.