SHPEP: THINGS IMPORTANT TO KNOW
(What to bring, What to Wear, and Rentals)

Calculator Requirement for Statistics Course
Accepted scholars are required to bring a statistics-friendly calculator for the Statistics course: Texas Instruments 83+ or 84+. Specs/features and user guide can be accessed by clicking on the following links:

- TI-83 Plus
- TI-84 Plus Silver Edition
- Guide for TI-83, TI-83 Plus, or TI-84 Plus Graphing Calculator

Go to the UTHealth SHPEP website click on “Our Program” and scroll down to page six “Calculator Requirement for Statistics Course”.

Dorm rooms at Rice University
The dorms are set up as shared suites, either single or double “bedrooms” within a suite, with a common living area and common bathroom.

The only furniture provided is as follows:

- Twin bed and mattress
- Desk and desk chair
- Closet or Wardrobe
- No telephone instruments or service
- No televisions
- No recreational equipment

The Recreation Center at Rice is not available for SHPEP participants however; you will be given the opportunity to join the UTHealth Recreation Center. More information regarding that will be coming in the weeks to come.

H&H Home Services: Appliance Rental
To place orders to rent Refrigerators, TVs, DVRs and/or microwaves, and have them delivered to your dorm room please note that you will be personally responsible for paying the fees upon delivery. If interested, send an email to Gary Harvin @ hhhomeservices@att.net indicating in the subject line “H&H Rentals”. Following receipt of your correspondence, a form will be sent to you for your completion. The dorm room numbers will be added once they are assigned.

Please Note: You may want to wait until you are check with your roommates what to order. That way, the costs could be shared.
SUGGESTED ITEMS TO BRING FOR SHPEP:

Attire for SHPEP Classes:
Students are expected to maintain a professional personal appearance at all times. During operating hours, infection control mandates that students may **not** wear any of the

- shorts
- mini skirts
- open-toed shoes
- tank tops
- muscle shirts
- halter tops
- baseball caps
- jeans

Purchase of scrubs is not necessary however if you have them, you may wear them to classes/events with clean tennis shoes.

**You MUST wear scrubs and clean tennis shoes in order to participate in the Clinical Observations and/or Simulation Laboratory sessions. NO EXCEPTIONS!**

If scrubs are not worn, casual business attire is required. The classrooms/lecture halls have a tendency to be cold so you are encouraged to bring a light jacket and/or sweater. **These personal appearance standards are in effect from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday. Students who do not comply with these minimal dress requirements will not be allowed to remain in the building, and thus, must return to the dorm to change clothes.**
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Business Casual for Males:
Choose shirts that have collars, such as long-sleeve button down shirts. Always tuck the shirt in and pair the shirt with an appropriate belt. For business casual, tie is optional. No tee shirts!

- White button-down shirts are the most formal and therefore the safest. Unlike pants, all manner of shirt colors are acceptable: Purple, pink, yellow, blue, and red.

- Choose shirts (and pants) in "formal" fabric: cotton is ideal, and comes in many different flavors. Wool is acceptable. Silk, rayon, and linen are not recommended.

- Choose shirts in "formal patterns: Oxford, plaid, and poplin are a little less formal, but perfectly acceptable. Twill, herringbone, and broadcloth patterns are more formal and nice to use if sprucing up. Hawaiian and other irregular patterns are considered too casual.

Wear pants styles such as khakis, dress pants, trouser and corduroy pants. Jeans are not considered business casual.

- Pleated pants and dark colors are more formal, conservative choices. If you want to be on the safe side, overdressing is less frowned upon than underdressing.

- Pants should extend to the top of your shoe, or slightly longer. Pants that do not reach down to your shoe are considered high-water pants; pants that fold and bunch up near the feet are considered too baggy.

- Avoid pants in loud colors such as red, yellow, and purple. Camouflage is not allowed, neither are white pants — they feel a little too informal for even business casual. Stick with black, brown, grey, khaki, dark blue and dark green pants.

Avoid the following items, which, fortunately or unfortunately, do not fall under the category of business casual.

- Sneakers, sandals, flip-flops or other open-toed shoes.
- Sports shirts, sweatshirts, sport team jackets, and athletic socks.
- Shorts and capris.
- Jeans.
- Very tight, and hence revealing, cuts of pants. No skinny-trousers allowed.
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Business Casual for Females:
Skirts and dresses and acceptable as long as the hem falls just above the knees.

- As with men, black and grey are more formal, making for a safer bet.
- Avoid low-cut dresses or those with high slits.
- Avoid dresses (especially) and skirts that are more skin-tight.
- No sundresses.

Linen or dress pants are acceptable – no jeans or khakis.

- Neutral colors are best – black, brown, grey, navy.

Choose from a variety of shirts. Women have a few more options in this department than the men. Opt for conservative and not too revealing. Blouses, plain shirts, cotton shirt, sweaters, turtlenecks, vests, and sleeveless shirts are all acceptable.

- Tucked-in or untucked can both go, depending on the shirt.
- Unusual patterns are acceptable, as long as they are not wild. The standard, however, is a monotone shirt.
- Use a collar for a more formal look, and collarless shirts for a less formal look.

Try footwear such as leather shoes, flat trouser shoes, high heels; no open toed shoes. Avoid flip flops, sandals and sneakers. There is lots of walking.

- Heels are okay, so long as they are not too conspicuous.
- NO OPEN TOED SHOES!