LABORATORY SAFETY IN THE
DISSECTION ANATOMY LABS

1. You are required to wear disposable gloves at all times while working with the cadaver postsections. Cadavers are embalmed with a fluid containing propylene glycol, ethyl alcohol, phenol and formaldehyde. Physical contact of your skin and clothing with the cadaver should be avoided.

2. Wear old clothes/scrubs and a long-sleeved lab coat while working with the cadaver. Lab coats should not be worn outside of the lab.

3. No open-toed shoes or sandals are allowed in the lab. Wear shoes that cover your entire foot.

4. Contact lenses wearers should be aware that chemical fumes can pass into gas permeable and soft lenses. These fumes irritate the cornea. Protective eye glasses (prescription or safety glasses) are recommended to protect against chemical splashes. Safety eyewear must be used when cutting bone. Know the location of the eyewash station before you begin.

5. Respirators can be purchased for use in the lab, if desired.