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Spring Up Your Wardrobe

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Spring. It’s right around the corner and we’re counting down the days. But when you leave for class at 9 a.m. when it’s 35 degrees and find yourself sweating profusely in the 60 degree sun by noon, it’s crucial to dress for versatility. There are many ways to be fashionable all while preparing for the random surprises Mother Nature throws your way.

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Layers

The easiest way to prepare for cold-turned-hot temps is by layering a variety of shirts. Providing versatile options to adjust to changing temperatures, additionally, layer adds color, creates a slimmer look and flaunts your fashionista/o knowledge. Bonus: instead of deciding between two shirts in a frantic attempt to make it to class on time, you can look stylish and wearing them both. Make sure the bottom layer is the longest and made from the thinnest material—long tank tops add detail near your waistline and offer a cooler alternative to swearing a sweatshirt or sweater. While layering a few shirts may seem easy, be careful not to add too many.


Bright Accents

Spice up your spring outfits with bright, colorful hues. Set aside the darker colors of winter apparel—browns, blacks, navys—or keep them to one layer. By mixing in lighter, pastel colors, you can carry a bit of spring with you on campus. Polka dots and other patterns can keep your wardrobe exciting and trendy, as well.

Accessories

Brightly-colored beaded necklaces and bracelets add the perfect accent to match your spring-time mood. And, of course, colorful shoes, metallics, throw-back sunglasses and brightly colored/patterned bags top off almost any outfit.