

Employability Skills Rubric

SKILL	CRITERIA	LEVEL 0: NO EXPOSURE	LEVEL 1: EMERGING	LEVEL 2: DEVELOPING	LEVEL 3: PROFICIENT	LEVEL 4: EXEMPLARY
Effective Relationships						
INTERPERSONAL SKILLS	<i>Teamwork</i>	No exposure	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Works as part of team. • Follows team norms. • Gives feedback to teammates. 	... and <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Respects individual differences. • Responds well to feedback. 	... and <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Solicits ideas and feedback from teammates. 	... and <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Exercises leadership within a team. • Resolves conflicts.
	<i>Customer service</i>	No exposure	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Interacts politely with customers. 	... and <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Responds to the needs of customers. 	... and <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Seeks out resources to resolve customer issues. 	... and <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provides alternative solutions or options to customers. • Is receptive to customer feedback.
PERSONAL QUALITIES	<i>Initiative</i>	No exposure	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Completes assigned tasks on time or communicates any potential delays to supervisor. 	... and <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Asks questions to complete tasks. 	... and <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Plans out tasks. 	... and <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Moves onto the next task without being told. • Seeks leadership opportunities.
	<i>Adaptability</i>	No exposure	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Demonstrates a willingness to learn and listen to directions. 	... and <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Asks for help. 	... and <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Accepts constructive criticism. • Compromises 	... and <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Seeks out guidance, feedback and information. • Adapts to new methods.
	<i>Professionalism</i>	No exposure	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Follows rules and safety procedures. • Dresses appropriately. • Is respectful to others. 	... and <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Properly credits others. • Maintains a positive attitude. 	... and <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Understands own strengths and weaknesses. • Advocates for oneself. 	... and <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Admits mistakes. • Takes ownership for professional growth. • Takes actions to build skills.
Workplace Skills						
RESOURCE MANAGEMENT	<i>Manages time, money, resources and personnel</i>	No exposure	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Is on time. • Identifies resources needed to complete projects or tasks. 	... and <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Understands staff roles and value of their time. 	... and <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Manages own time appropriately. • Assigns staff roles or tasks based on strengths. 	... and <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Understands project timelines. • Demonstrates financial literacy. • Procures additional resources as needed within budget

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INFORMATION USE	<i>Locates, organizes, analyzes, uses and communicates information</i>	No exposure	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Uses reliable sources to identify information. • Identifies which information is relevant and important to tasks. 	... and <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Organizes information based on clear patterns. • Applies information to complete tasks. 	... and <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prioritizes information. • Communicates information to colleagues or clients. 	... and <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Transfers and applies information. • Understands the connection of information to other tasks or parts of the project.
COMMUNICATION	<i>Verbal communication</i>	No exposure	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Speaks clearly and audibly. 	... and <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Uses appropriate and professional workplace language. 	... and <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Uses technical terminology accurately. 	... and <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Asks clarifying questions. • Checks for understanding and rephrases.
	<i>Listening</i>	No exposure	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Maintains appropriate eye contact and appropriate body language when speaking with others. • Applies what was heard to work. 	... and <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Responds to verbal and nonverbal cues from others. 	... and <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Responds and asks clarifying questions. 	... and <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Summarizes key points discussed.
	<i>Comprehends written material</i>	No exposure	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Understands and follows written directions. • Reads materials specific to work or tasks. 	... and <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Asks clarifying questions regarding technical or work-specific written materials. 	... and <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Summarizes key points from technical or work-specific written materials. 	... and <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offers feedback and critiques to technical or work-specific written materials.
	<i>Conveys information in writing</i>	No exposure	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Writes work-specific materials using correct grammar, syntax, and spelling. 	... and <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Writes using technical or work-specific vocabulary accurately. 	... and <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Conveys written information in multiple industry or career-specific mediums and formats. 	... and <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Writes using the industry or career-specific style or standard.
SYSTEMS THINKING	<i>Understands, uses, monitors, and improves systems.</i>	No exposure	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Understands job description and duties. 	... and <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Understands how personal job duties contribute to the organization. 	... and <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Understands organizational makeup and structure. • Understands how components fit within and support a system. 	... and <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Evaluates inefficiencies within a system. • Recommends improvements to address inefficiencies.
	<i>Understands and uses technology.</i>	No exposure	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Understands which technologies are necessary for the job or career. 	... and <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Understands which technologies are needed to complete specific workplace tasks. 	... and <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Uses industry-specific technology to complete tasks. 	... and <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Examines industry-specific technology trends.

Applied Knowledge

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APPLIED ACADEMIC SKILLS	<i>Academic application</i>	No exposure	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Understands which academic knowledge and skills are most relevant to achieving career goals. 	... and <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Understands which academic knowledge and skills are most relevant to work tasks. 	... and <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Applies relevant academic knowledge and skills to complete workplace tasks. 	... and <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Applies relevant academic knowledge and skills to solve work-specific problems.
	<i>Problem-solving</i>	No exposure	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Identifies a set of actions to arrive at a solution. 	... and <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Identifies pros and cons of ideas, approaches, and solutions. 	... and <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Debates an issue and converges to an understanding by questioning and assessing problems. 	... and <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Displays analytical and strategic thinking. Analyzes options using “if-then” rationale.
CRITICAL THINKING	<i>Creative Thinking</i>	No exposure	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Proposes familiar approaches to address workplace challenges or complete tasks. 	... and <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Identifies alternative solutions and ideas to address workplace challenges and complete tasks. 	... and <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Creates and shares innovative solutions to address workplace challenges and ideas to complete tasks. 	... and <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Contributes to a culture of innovation. Is willing to take risks.
	<i>Goal Setting</i>	No exposure	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sets specific task, project, and/or career goal(s). 	... and <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Specifies timeline to achieve goal(s). 	... and <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Outlines steps or approaches to achieve goal(s). 	... and <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Identifies measures to determine success in achieving goal(s).

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