EMPLOYABILITY SKILLS

UNIT CODE: IT/CU/ICT/BC/5/5

Relationship to Occupational Standards

This unit addresses the Unit of Competency: Demonstrate employability skills

Duration of Unit: 50 hours

Unit Description

This unit covers competencies required to demonstrate employability skills. It involves conducting self-management, demonstrating interpersonal communication, critical safe work habits, leading a workplace team, planning and organizing work, maintaining professional growth and development, demonstrating workplace learning, problem solving skills and managing ethical performance.

Summary of Learning Outcomes

- 1. Conduct self-management
- 2. Demonstrate interpersonal communication
- 3. Demonstrate critical safe work habits
- 4. Lead small teams
- 5. Plan and organize work
- 6. Maintain professional growth and development
- 7. Demonstrate workplace learning
- 8. Demonstrate problem solving skills
- 9. Demonstrate workplace ethics

Learning Outcomes, Content and Suggested Assessment Methods

Learning Outcome	Content	Suggested Assessment Methods
Conduct self- management	 Self-awareness Formulating personal vision, mission and goals Strategies for overcoming life challenges Emotional intelligence Assertiveness versus 	ObservationWrittenOral interviewThird party report
	aggressivenessExpressing personal thoughts, feelings and beliefs	

2. Demonstrate interpersonal communication	 Developing and maintaining high self-esteem Developing and maintaining positive self-image Articulating ideas and aspirations Accountability and responsibility Good work habits Self-awareness Self-development Financial literacy Healthy lifestyle practices Meaning of interpersonal communication Listening skills Types of audience Writing skills Reading skills Reading of empathy Understanding customers' needs Establishing communication networks Sharing information 	 Observation Written Oral interview Third party report
3. Demonstrate critical safe work habits	 Stress and stress management Punctuality and time consciousness Leisure Integrating personal objectives into organizational objectives Resources utilization Setting work priorities HIV and AIDS Drug and substance abuse Handling emerging issues 	ObservationWrittenOral interviewThird party report
4. Lead a small team	 Leadership qualities Team building Determination of team roles and objectives Team performance indicators 	ObservationOral interviewWrittenThird party report

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	Responsibilities in a team	
	Forms of communication	
	Complementing team activities	
	Gender and gender mainstreaming	
	Human rights	
	Maintaining relationships	
	Conflicts and conflict resolution	
5. Plan and organize	Functions of management	Observation
work	✓ Planning	Oral interview
	✓ Organizing	• Written
	Time management	Third party report
	Decision making process	Time party report
	Task allocation	
	Evaluating work activities	
	Resource utilization	
	Problem solving	
	Collecting and organising	
	information	
6. Maintain	Opportunities for professional	Observation
professional growth	growth	Oral interview
and development	Assessing training needs	Written
	Licenses and certifications for	Third party report
	professional growth and	
	development	
	Pursuing personal and	
	organizational goals	
	Identifying work priorities	
	Recognizing career advancement	
7. Demonstrate	Managing own learning	Observation
workplace learning	Contributing to the learning	Oral interview
	community at the workplace	• Written
	Cultural aspects of work	• Third party report
	Variety of learning context	
	Application of learning	
	Safe use of technology	
	Identifying opportunities	
	Generating new ideas	
	Workplace innovation	

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	Performance improvement	
	 Handling emerging issues 	
	• Future trends and concerns in	
	learning	
8. Demonstrate	Problem identification	Observation
problem solving	Problem solving	Oral interview
skills	Application of problem-solving	• Written
	strategies	Third party report
	Resolving customer concerns	
9. Demonstrate	Meaning of ethics	Observation
workplace ethics	Ethical perspectives	Oral interview
	Principles of ethics	• Written
	Values and beliefs	Third party report
	Ethical standards	
	Organization code of ethics	
	Common ethical dilemmas	
	Organization culture	
	Corruption, bribery and conflict of	
	interest	
	Privacy and data protection	
	• Diversity, harassment and mutual	
	respect	
	Financial	
	responsibility/accountability	
	Etiquette	
	Personal and professional integrity	
	Commitment to jurisdictional laws	
	• Emerging issues in ethics	

Suggested Methods of Delivery

- Instructor lead facilitation of theory
- Demonstrations
- Simulation/Role play
- Group Discussion
- Presentations
- Projects
- Case studies
- Assignments

Recommended Resources

- Computers
- Stationery
- Charts
- Video clips
- Audio tapes
- Radio sets
- TV sets
- LCD projectors

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