# **EMPLOYABILITY SKILLS**

## UNIT CODE: MIN/CU/TXP/BC/04/5/A

#### **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 workplace ethics.

## **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
1. Conduct self- management	<ul> <li>Self-awareness</li> <li>Formulating personal vision, mission and goals</li> <li>Strategies for overcoming life challenges</li> <li>Emotional intelligence</li> <li>Assertiveness versus aggressiveness</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Written tests</li> <li>Oral questioning</li> <li>Interviewing</li> <li>Portfolio of evidence</li> <li>Third party report</li> </ul>

2. Demonstrate interpersonal communication	<ul> <li>Expressing personal thoughts, feelings and beliefs</li> <li>Developing and maintaining high self-esteem</li> <li>Developing and maintaining positive self-image</li> <li>Articulating ideas and aspirations</li> <li>Accountability and responsibility</li> <li>Good work habits</li> <li>Self-awareness</li> <li>Self-development</li> <li>Financial literacy</li> <li>Healthy lifestyle practices</li> <li>Meaning of interpersonal communication</li> <li>Listening skills</li> <li>Types of audience</li> <li>Writing skills</li> <li>Reading skills</li> <li>Meaning of empathy</li> <li>Understanding customers' needs</li> <li>Establishing communication networks</li> <li>Sharing information</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Written tests</li> <li>Oral questioning</li> <li>Interviewing</li> <li>Portfolio of evidence</li> <li>Third party report</li> </ul>
3. Demonstrate critical safe work habits	<ul> <li>Stress and stress management</li> <li>Punctuality and time consciousness</li> <li>Leisure</li> <li>Integrating personal objectives into organizational objectives</li> <li>Resources utilization</li> <li>Setting work priorities</li> <li>HIV and AIDS</li> <li>Drug and substance abuse</li> <li>Handling emerging issues</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Written tests</li> <li>Oral questioning</li> <li>Interviewing</li> <li>Portfolio of evidence</li> <li>Third party report</li> </ul>
4. Lead a small team	<ul> <li>Leadership qualities</li> <li>Team building</li> <li>Determination of team roles and objectives</li> </ul>	<ul><li>Written tests</li><li>Oral questioning</li><li>Interviewing</li></ul>

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

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

# Suggested Methods of Instruction

- Demonstrations
- Simulation/Role play
- Discussion
- Presentations
- Case studies
- Q&A

#### **Recommended Resources**

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

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