



# Reflective Session | Professionalism & Employability Skills Across the E&T Curriculum

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# Objectives

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## In this session, you will:

- **Identify professionalism and employability skills taught across the E&T curriculum**
- **Identify and share best practices to support student's development of professionalism and employability skills**



# Agenda

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**8 MINUTES**

**Intro to Professionalism & Employability Skills**

**15 MINUTES**

**Professionalism and Employability Skills Across the E&T Curriculum**

**35 MINUTES**

**Best Practices to Support Professionalism and Employability Skills**



# Intro to Professionalism & Employability Skills

# Partner Discussion

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**Discuss the following questions with a partner:**

- **What are professionalism and employability skills?**
- **Why are these skills important?**

# Professionalism & Employability Skills

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- **Employability skills are the general skills that are necessary for success in the labor market at all employment levels and in all sectors.**
- **For the U.S. to be competitive in the global economy, we must have a workforce that has acquired both the technical knowledge needed for specific occupations and the “employability skills” required for all jobs.**
- **While applicants may have the technical skills, they don’t have the skills needed to be productive members of the organization, such as communication, decision making, critical thinking, problem solving, collaboration, creativity, and innovation.**



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# Professionalism and Employability Skills Across the E&T Curriculum



# TEKS Analysis & Discussion

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- **Independently review the E&T TEKS and take notes on where professionalism and employability skills are addressed.**
- **In small groups, engage in a small group discussion using the following questions:**
  - **How are professionalism and employability skills addressed in the TEKS?**
  - **How will these skills prepare students for the workforce?**

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## Best Practices to Support Professionalism and Employability Skills

**How do you get students thinking about professionalism and employability skills?**

# Success Analysis Protocol

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1. Independently write a short description of a “best practice” you have developed or used to teach and model professionalism and employability skills. Note what processes, experiences, and performances led to your success.
2. In groups of 3
  - Share your “best practice” and the process that made it so successful.
  - Group members ask clarifying questions about the best practice and/or process that led to that success.
  - Repeat the process for each group member.

*Remember to keep the focus on the process that helped to make the experience so successful.*



# Best Practices Curation

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- **Find your group's assigned Google Slide.**
- **With your group, create a list of the best practices and processes shared during the Success Analysis protocol.**

# Gallery Walk

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- **Explore the best practices shared in the Google slide deck.**
- **Use the comment feature to pose questions or add comments to each slide.**

## In this session, you will:

- **Identify professionalism and employability skills taught across the E&T curriculum**
- **Identify and share best practices to support students' development of life-long learning skills**
- **Explore best practices for teaching and modeling professionalism and employability skills**



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