

Seven Attributes of Outstanding University Educators

We all strive to be the best in our profession and it is crucial to periodically assess where we currently stand. This list highlights seven main areas in which university faculty are expected to excel.

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1. **Expertise in Domain Knowledge:** Demonstrating a deep and comprehensive understanding of your subject matter.
2. **Genuine Love and Concern for Our Learners:** Showing empathy and dedication to student success and well-being.
3. **Good Organization:** Maintaining structured and efficient course management and lesson planning.
4. **Level of Accessibility to Students:** Being available and approachable for student inquiries and support.
5. **Excellent Communication – Verbal, Written & Non-Verbal:** Effectively conveying information through spoken words, written text, and body language.
6. **Enthusiasm to Use New Technologies:** Embracing and integrating innovative tools and technologies in teaching.
7. **Passion for Excellence – Desire to Excel:** Striving for continuous improvement and high standards in teaching and learning.

Reflection and Self-Evaluation: It is essential for each of us to carefully reflect on this list and evaluate ourselves honestly and objectively on each of these seven attributes to understand our strengths and areas for improvement.

Instructions:

1. **Self-Evaluation Form:** Use the Self-evaluation Form provided on the next page to assess yourself on each attribute. Rate your performance, identify your strongest and weakest areas, and provide examples to support your evaluation.
2. **Personal and Non-Judgmental:** This exercise is intended for personal growth and is non-judgmental.
3. **Action Plan:** For each attribute identified as a weakness, outline concrete steps you will take to improve. Consider resources, strategies, and timelines to help you achieve your goals.

Self-Evaluation Form

Attribute	Self-Assessment (1-5)	Strengths	Areas for Improvement	Action Plan
Expertise in Domain Knowledge				
Genuine Love and Concern for Our Learners				
Good Organization				
Level of Accessibility to Students				
Excellent Communication – Verbal, Written & Non-Verbal				
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