



PROFESSIONAL COMPETENCIES

Knowledge in Action is an important part of the GW experience. Students have many opportunities to apply what they are learning and develop skills that will broaden their development and make them stand out to employers.

As part of their Career Success Plan, students carefully consider and choose experiences that develop their professional skills. We ask for your assistance in helping students reflect on these experiences as a student by selecting two to three competencies that will be professional outcomes they will develop through your student employment position.

Critical Thinking and Creative Problem Solving

The student will learn to obtain, interpret, and use knowledge, facts, and data in this process; and will demonstrate originality and innovation.

Communication

The student will learn to listen and to empathize with others, and understand the impact of nonverbal communication; and will be able to write, and edit workplace documents, and complex technical reports clearly and effectively.

Teamwork and Collaboration

The student will learn to work effectively within a team structure; to negotiate, and manage conflict, and change with respect for others.

Leadership

The student will learn how to model leadership skills, and be able to navigate workplace ambiguities, and clarify expectations; use empathetic skills to guide, and motivate; and organize, prioritize, and delegate work.

Professionalism

The student will learn to demonstrate integrity and ethical behavior, act responsibly with the interests of the larger community in mind, and be able to learn from his/her mistakes.

Global Perspective

The student will learn to be aware of their views about difference, and will learn and build on various cultural and community norms.

Technology and Information Management

The student will learn to manage and use data efficiently to solve problems, and learn to adapt to new technologies effectively, in teams and individually.

Career Management

The student will learn to navigate and explore job options; understands, and can take steps necessary to pursue, and self-advocate for opportunities in the workplace.

