



**Career
Essentials:
*Foundations***





Taking Action on Professional Growth

Technical Skills Grounded in Academics: Professional Development

- Essential Questions
 - What is professional development?
 - How does professional development help me in my career?
 - In which areas would I like to grow and learn to gain greater success or preparedness for my ideal career?
 - How can I locate and plan the types of professional development best suited to my goals?



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- Students will understand...
 - Professional development is a critical element for success and growth in the workplace.
 - There are a wide variety of methods and resources available for professional development.



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- Students will know...
 - The benefits of professional development.
 - The types of professional development available and where to find them.



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- Students will be able to...
 - Defend why participating professional development is important to career success.
 - Identify and select appropriate professional development experiences.
 - Create a professional development plan.



Think of the career you would most like to pursue. What do you still need to know or be able to do in order to be successful in that career?





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K What I Know	W What I Want to Know	L What I Learned





Objectives:

- Defend why participating in professional development is important to career success.
- Identify and select appropriate professional development experiences.
- Create a professional development plan.



Professional Development

The process of improving your capabilities through access to education and training opportunities in the workplace, through an outside organization, or by watching others.

- *Why is professional development important?*
- *Why would you need to invest your time in learning beyond your school work or basic on the job training?*





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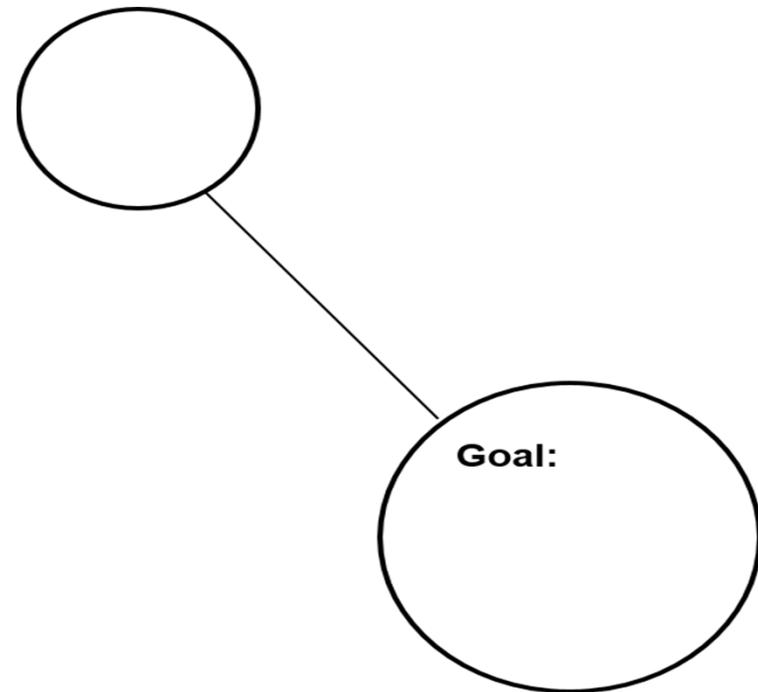
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The Importance of Setting Goals

ZOOM RESUMES
Professional Development
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An additional resource regarding SMART goals is the following with examples - www.gcflearnfree.org/careerplanningandsalary/make-a-career-plan/full



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	5 Days	5 Weeks	5 Months
Professional development type			
Where can I find this?			
How much will it cost?			
What do I need to do to be ready?			
Who do I need to contact for support?			
What questions do I have?			





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1. How can professional development help you be successful?
2. What is the first step you plan to take to reach your professional goals?

