

MY LEARNING JOURNEY REPORT

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Introduction

The aim of this report is to analyse and reflect on some skills that I have learned and gained on this module academic and employability skills, and some skills that I still need to develop. These are very useful to me because I will use them in my career and personal life as well. I'll share my educational path with you in this report in my educational journey for this module, as well as what great educational possibilities are like. The knowledge and concepts I have acquired through exams, in-class activities, and dialogues have expanded my understanding of learning. It is very obvious from this text that the theoretical stances presented in this subject have contributed to my learning throughout the course of the semester. It is clear that many theories relate to different learning situations, including group presentations, whether I have been picking up new skills for the profession or witnessing others learn and assist one another. This will help me in my future career in health and social care.

Boundaryless skills

In contrast to a standard career, those with a boundaryless career are said to not be constrained to working for one employer, in one job. Multiple scenarios can play out in boundaryless careers. The term boundaryless careers is frequently used to describe jobs that need moving between different employers physical boundaries. People who choose a career with no boundaries have a higher predisposition to learn and to consider their skills and weaknesses than people who choose a regular career. This is why I chose this topic because even myself I don't only want to work at one place I know if I work in different places I will gain more experience on my career because people who select a career with no bounds are more likely to be open to learning and to take into account their strengths and weaknesses than those who select a conventional career.

In my research on boundaryless career, a notion I was only dimly familiar with until I realised I pretty much had one myself. What then is a career without boundaries? In contrast to a standard career, one may claim that a boundaryless career is a new type of profession that involves abrupt and chaotic changes in employment, organisations, and even fields. A career in the classic sense of climbing the corporate ladder in a particular field at one or more particular organisations or corporations is less of a priority than is personal growth. Boundaryless careers have many different qualities, yet they all essentially revolve around being always on the move.

Making connection

I have noticed now that coveted jobs are few, it has become imperative to get noticed by prospective employers fast. But employability too has overcome its boundaries that were earlier defined just by skills. Now it includes a bigger vertical, which consists of behaviour, attitude and aptitude. It now seeks to achieve a better version of you as a person, as a team player, and as a leader making it more hard than ever to be simply qualified. Employers have many requirements in addition to the essential competencies. A potential employer doesn't have a set list of employability qualities that they look for. They include both fundamental skills and extracurricular activities, for instance. Here are a few illustrations that may help you improve your employability. I myself have learned these skills as well because I understand that communication is everything. Employers of today continue to search only for competent candidates.

Instead, they seek out those who can pave the way for the future with original concepts and creative thinking. You must be driven, have a positive outlook, and be able to plan your time effectively. Additionally, while handling various clientele in geographically distant areas, you'll need to manage all of your interactions, including online, over the phone, face-to-face, sending emails, online chats, etc. As a result, it's important to maintain your proficiency in the areas of communication and other attributes needed to handle such a variety of responsibilities. I made my own CV and cover letter on this module it was a bit difficult but at the end I managed to create a very good CV and cover letter thanks to my lecturer who helped me through it and I will be using it to apply for the jobs in the future on my own.

Because a typical CV is unlikely to do well when a position opens up with particular qualifications. Nowadays, the majority of firms post the precise qualifications for open positions, which considerably aids candidates in editing their resumes. It is therefore advisable to design your CV such that it addresses the information that employers want to learn about you and how you can support the organisation's objectives.

Identifying career opportunities

When you grow up, what do you want to do? It's a question that we were all asked a lot as children. Knowing what you want to accomplish, though, only takes you so far in the job search. It can be difficult to find the top jobs in your particular sector if you don't know where to look. You must first identify the best prospects whether you want to shift occupations or start a new one. Follow these straightforward suggestions to increase your chances of spotting excellent employment possibilities. Staffing companies, and employment agencies match job searchers with openings.

If you meet the requirements, recruiters can help you acquire an interview by distributing your resume to the appropriate parties. Additionally, the bulk of recruiters do their work for free. LinkedIn is the largest professional association ever created, with more than 500 million users. It's an excellent location to network and find employment openings that might not be advertised elsewhere. Simply ensure that your LinkedIn page is current and contains a wealth of information about you and your abilities.

A wonderful work opportunity can nearly always be found, but you have to keep an open mind. Communication with coworkers, friends, and teachers on a daily basis is a terrific method to keep updated. You can seek career guidance and suggestions whenever you need them by keeping the connection lively rather than always

bringing up work. There may be excellent job opportunities at your current employer. If you enjoy your job, take the opportunity to discuss your career goals with your boss and inquire about prospects for advancement in either your current or a new department. You might be pleasantly surprised by how eager your employer is to support your success. Universities are designed exclusively with working people in mind. As a result, online learning is a terrific opportunity to network with peers in your industry, get advice from professors, and benefit from career planning and development all while obtaining a degree that can boost your credentials and make you more competitive for the greatest employment possibilities.

Passion and perseverance

In order to be passionate, I must genuinely appreciate what I do... The ability to practise comes next. The daily discipline of trying to accomplish things better than I did yesterday is one example of perseverance. The third is intent. The conviction that your work counts is what nourishes passion.

Passion gives people the attention they need to attain their goals, while persistence aids people in staying dedicated to their goal pursuit. When people pursue goals they are not enthusiastic about, perseverance may not result in improved performance. Even on my last module I have learned a lot about passion and perseverance. Angela Lee Duckworth decided to teach math to seventh graders in a New York public school after leaving a high-flying position in consulting. She soon saw that other factors distinguished successful pupils from those who struggled, in addition to IQ. She explains her view of grit as a success indicator in this passage. Candidates that exhibit many of the soft skills you're searching for passion, tenacity, humility, grace under pressure, and goal-setting have a name. That's a gritty word, and gritty candidates make for devoted, effective workers. Grit people have some life experience. They typically have experienced a few setbacks, which causes them to go through what psychologists refer to as post traumatic growth. That's when a significant setback or disappointment like not landing your ideal job causes you to change your perspective for the better and modify your behaviour moving forward. In contrast to trying to appear perfect, being able to confess mistakes says a lot about a candidate's skills and tenacity. Gritty candidates don't mind working hard (or the stress that comes with it) because they've tried and failed before and come out stronger and more determined than before. In Grit, Angela says, Many of us it seems quit what we start far too early and far too frequently. What counts is that a tough person wakes up

the next day, and the next, eager to get back on the treadmill and keep going, not how much effort they put in on any given day. Grit, as you can see, is the drive and commitment to pursuing long term objectives. It is the capacity to persist in working for something over a long period of time as you attempt to fulfil something that inspires you and provides you meaning.

Conclusion

Personal characteristics that make you employable include your employability abilities. Because they can be applied to practically any job, in any industry, and are distinct from your technical knowledge and professional experience, they are also referred to as soft skills or transferable skills. Employability abilities include things like being dependable, hardworking, and getting along with coworkers; these traits are all desired by employers. For everyone, being able to speak clearly is a crucial skill. It's essential to our capacity to collaborate, and it may be a requirement of your job that you have effective interpersonal skills with both clients and coworkers. As I work together and cooperatively on assignments and projects while attending uni, as well as organising study groups with other students pursuing the same degree, can help you develop your communication skills. The majority of aspects of life require you to organise your time and resources. A soft talent that is crucial in practically every career and even while you are in college is organisation.

You might have to manage your time and priorities because you can be working on several tasks at once. Your life might become much simpler if you are organised.

Educational employability Skills are now required for employment success in the business world and are regarded as important qualifications for many job positions. I gained a better understanding of the value of both academic and employability abilities thanks to this subject. This course has taught me a lot of skills, including how to paraphrase, how to cite sources, how to compose a reflective essay, and how to support my academic writing with examples. I also gained knowledge on how to create a CV and a cover letter. These are really helpful to me because I may professionally apply for any job. By enrolling in this course, I have learned a lot of things, all of which are crucial to me in order to land a better career. During the course I have enjoyed the group discussions which has assisted me in increasing my knowledge and improving my skills. Because they are adaptable, abilities are valuable because you can utilise them in any situation. to improve my education.

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