# Uof SC. Career Center University of South Carolina

#### **Student Employee Performance Appraisal**

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The Student Employee Performance Appraisal provides an opportunity for feedback on student employee work performance, assist with the development of valuable career competencies, and facilitate a meaningful dialogue between supervisor and employee.

- Job duties should be listed and clearly outlined at the beginning of the semester using the <u>Student Job Description</u> Template, available on on the UofSC Student Employment Website.
- Supervisors should meet with employee to clearly define duties and establish expectations within the first week of employment.
- Employee should complete an appraisal based on their insight into subjective job performance **before** the review meeting for balanced discussion. Supervisors are encouraged to remain open to employee feedback on performance throughout the conversation.
- The overall tone should be positive, encouraging, and open to dialogue. If criticism is made, it should be done in a constructive and supportive manner.
- The employee appraisal form should not be the first time employees receive feedback from their supervisors. Dialogue should occur regularly. Employees should be aware of any performance or behavior issues before addressing them on the appraisal form.
- Emphasize conduct and performance (ex. Focus on excellent attendance record, or ability to consistently complete all tasks within the assigned time-frame instead of stating that the employee is reliable.)
- Once appraisal has been completed, supervisors should make a copy of the form for the employee and place a copy in the employee's file within the department.

\*\*Please note that student employees are not part of the EPMS process and are considered non-covered employees.

#### **Engaging in Reflection Discussions**

Reflection discussions can be useful in helping student employees apply academics to real-life and integrate on the job learning into meaningful career planning. Supervisors are recommended to ask the following questions twice a semester. Discussions are informal and can be held individually or in small groups, depending on scheduling and preference.

- What are you learning in class that you can apply here at work?
- How does this job fit in with your academics or future career path?
- What do you like about this position?
- What isn't working and how can we improve it?



#### **Student Employee Performance Appraisal Template**

Supervisors are recommended to complete an appraisal of student employee performance at least once a semester. This is a learning tool to assist the employee in further developing career readiness and assess overall job performance.

Employee Information		
Employee Name	Department	
Job Title	Supervisor Name	
Evaluation Term	Date Completed	
Overall job Duties		
Overall job performance		



#### **Career Competency Development**

Place a check by each observable behavior. Focus on competency area(s) utilized within the work setting.

ORAL & WRITTEN COMMUNICATION		
Beginner	Developing	
Attempts to share thoughts and ideas with others.	Shares some ideas clearly and effectively; verbally or in writing.	
☐ Needs improvement in timeliness, clarity, and/or formality.	Mostly clear, professional, appropriate, and timely.	21/2
Accomplished	Advanced	N/A
Clearly and effectively shares ideas both verbally and in	Consistenly and clearly articulates ideas; verbally and in writing.	
writing on a somewhat consistent basis.	Expresses ideas to a variety of audiences with an appropriate level of formality.	
☐ Increasingly professional, appropriate, and timely.		
TEAMWORK & COLLABORATION		
Beginner	Developing	
☐ Needs support identifying role within a team.	Collaborates when work is structured, clearly outlined, and divided.	
Focused solely on individual responsibilities.	☐ Limited understanding of the roles and contributions of others.	
Avoids difficult conversations and/or limited engagement with working with diverse perspectives.	Some experience in navigating difficult conversations and/or interpersonal conflict.	
☐ Needs support in communicating ideas to others.	Openly communicates ideas but closed off to feedback from others.	
Accomplished	Advanced	N/A
☐ Independetly collaborates with others on tasks or projects	Elements from 'Accomplished' AND:	
with shared responsibility.	☐ Delegates to best utilize strengths.	
Understands the roles, contributions, and strengths of	Understands and leverages the strengths, interests, and personalities of others to	
others.	achieve team goals.	
☐ Effectively navigates difficult conversations and/or interpersonal conflict.	Proactively prevents interpersonal conflict.	
Openly communicates ideas & is open to feedback.	Actively seeks feedback.	
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CRITICAL THINKING/PROBLEM SOLVING			
Beginner  Unable to accept issue(s) that may hinder goal achievement.  Relies on external authority (peers or supervisor) to identify problems and determine solutions.	Developing  Independently identifies issue(s) and solutions to basic problems.  Some clarity on which situations warrant supervisor approval often.	N/A	
Accomplished Aware of the context and implications of actions. Selects and implements the appropriate solution. Consults supervisor if multiple solutions are possible or if the situation warrants supervisor approval.	Advanced  Elements from 'Accomplished' AND:  Proactively identifies and prevents problems through creative solutions.  Actively guides peers in critical thinking		
GLOBAL/INTERCULTURAL FLUENCY			
Beginner  ☐ May be unaware of their own identities and viewpoints. ☐ May be surprised by differences in cultures or identities. ☐ May not attempt to learn about others.	Developing  Demonstrates Some ability to interact and build rapport with individuals of diverse identities, cultures, and backgrounds within a group setting.  Some clarity on which situations warrant supervisor approval often.	N/A	
Accomplished  Ability to interact and build rapport with individuals of diverse identities, cultures, and backgrounds in a variety of settings.  Demonstrates openness, inclusiveness, and sensitivity to individuals' differences.	Advanced  Elements from 'Accomplished' AND:  Demonstrates eagerness to learn from diverse cultures and perspectives.  Able to educate others respectfully about diverse cultures and identities.		
PROFESSIONALISM & WORK ETHIC			
Beginner  Experiences frequent tardiness or absences from work.  Staying engaged in work tasks is somewhat of a challenge.  Relies on others to help manage or balance workload.  Learning how to build productive working relationships with others.  Limited awareness of mistakes made.	Developing  Arrives to work on time most days.  Maintains consistent engagement in work tasks.  Sometimes relies on others to help manage or balance workload.  Works productively with those with whom they have working relationships.  Identifies and corrects simple mistakes.	N/A	
Accomplished  Demonstrates effective time and workload management.  Works productively with others, regardless of whether the coworker is familiar or new to them.  Completes tasks to the same standard of excellence, regardless of preference for the task.  Able to identify and correct complex or nuanced mistakes.	Advanced  Elements from 'Accomplished' AND:  Able to share the learning from their own mistakes, privately or with others, as appropriate.  Represents the mission and values of the department through every interaction.  Consistently demonstrates integrity and ethical behavior.		
Career Management			
Beginner  Limited knowledge of skills, strengths, knowledge relevant to the position.  May depend on others to advocate for needs and wants within the workplace.	Developing  Some understanding of skills, strengths, knowledge relevant to the position; can connect current role to future career aspirations.  Some understanding of how to appropriately self-advocate in the workplace.	N/A	
Accomplished  I Identifies and has some ability to articulate how the skills, strengths, knowledge, and experiences of the current position connect to future career aspirations.  Appropriately self-advocates in the workplace.	Advanced  Identifies and articulates, strengths, knowledge, and experiences relevant to the position. Can identify skills gained that will increase career readiness.		

<sup>\*</sup>Competency areas and descriptions developed using the National Association of Career and Employers (NACE) Definition of Career Readiness, 2020



Based upon the above career competencies, elaborate on opportunities for growth (attach additional pages if needed):		
Summary of strengths, contributions, and achievements (attach additional pages if needed):		
Employee Signature	Date	
Supervisor Signature	Date	