

Kirkwood Faculty Competencies

- 1. **Diverse Learners**: Demonstrate an understanding of ways students differ in approaches to learning both individually and culturally, by adapting instruction for diverse learners.
- 2. **Instructional Planning**: Plan instruction based on understanding of subject matter, students, the community, and learning outcomes.
- 3. **Instructional Strategies**: Integrate instructional strategies that encourage students' development of critical thinking, problem solving and performance skills.
- 4. **Learning Environment/Classroom Management**: Use understanding of individual and group motivation and behavior to create learning environments that encourage positive social interaction, active engagement in learning, and self-motivation.
- 5. **Communication**: Use effective verbal and nonverbal techniques as well as other forms of symbolic representation to foster active inquiry and collaboration.
- 6. **Technology Related to Instruction**: Use appropriate technology in the planning, delivery and assessment of instruction.
- 7. **Assessment**: Use formative and summative assessment strategies to monitor and evaluate student learning.
- 8. **Professional Ethics**: Foster professional relationships with students, colleagues, and the community to support learning. Follow guidelines for ethical behavior and confidentiality for educators.
- 9. **Community College**: Describe the mission and history of community colleges and the structure and scope of Kirkwood Community College.
- 10. **Contribution to the College**: Contribute to the institution through active participation in departmental and institutional tasks.
- 12a. **Professional Development A**: Actively seek out opportunities to grow professionally by maintaining professional competency in fields of expertise.
- 12b. **Professional Development B**: Actively seek out opportunities to grow professionally by focusing on pedagogy/andragogy, learning, and/or the scholarship of teaching.

Librarians: (in addition to competencies 1-12b)

- 13. **Reference Services:** Use effective techniques of approachability, interest, listening and inquiring, searching and follow-up in reference transactions.
- 14. **Resource Organization:** Demonstrate an understanding of the principles of collection development and maintenance
- 15. **Information Access:** Demonstrates working knowledge of information literacy as it relates to appropriate use and evaluation of information regardless of its format.

Counselors: (in addition to competencies 1-12b)

- 16. **Counseling Services A:** Demonstrate understanding of student development concepts.
- 17. **Counseling Services B:** Use appropriate assessments and counseling techniques to provide academic, career and personal counseling.
- 18. **Crisis Intervention:** Demonstrate understanding of the dynamics of a crisis situation and help meet the concerns of all involved by working closely with students, staff, administrators and community agencies.