



UNLEASH YOUR INNER TIGER

Competencies for Clemson University Students to Develop and Articulate

Engagement	Communication
	Collaboration
	Leadership

Mindset – Clemson wants to empower you to achieve your educational and professional goals. To be successful in life after Clemson, you’ll need to polish skills you already have, develop skills you don’t, and apply them in a variety of settings. This tool will help you identify how to – **UNLEASH YOUR INNER TIGER.**

Why – Employers and graduate/professional schools want you to demonstrate the knowledge, skills and attitude (a.k.a. competency) necessary for success in their respective environments.

Who – You play the pivotal role, but Clemson will provide opportunities to develop skills essential to your success.

Innovation	Adaptability
	Analytical Skills
	Technology

What – For these key competencies, Clemson has defined five proficiency levels: awareness, basic, intermediate, advanced, and expert.

Where – While at Clemson, you will have opportunities to develop these competencies through classes, clubs, organizations, internships, co-ops, part-time jobs, assistantships, Creative Inquiry, research, study abroad, volunteering, special projects, etc....

Professionalism	Self-Awareness
	Integrity & Ethics
	Brand

When – Take steps throughout the year to increase your proficiency in multiple competencies.

How – You can go through the – Learn, Act, Flex, Succeed – cycle to gain proficiency in these or any other competencies.

✓ Learn

I think about the problems I want to solve and what I need to learn to solve them.

✓ Act

I’m willing to act, try, and collaborate.

✓ Flex

I see opportunities where others see defeat.

✓ Succeed

There isn’t a standard definition for success and how to achieve it. I determine the journey.





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Engagement	Communication	Engaging in dialogue that leads to productive outcomes and points of connection by effectively articulating one's self to individuals within and outside of one's industry or area of expertise.
	Collaboration	Developing authentic and mutually beneficial relationships by valuing everyone and taking responsibility for one's role within a team.
	Leadership	Being able to recognize, respect, develop, and capitalize on the unique strengths of individuals from all backgrounds and being an active member in a group that achieves a shared vision.
Innovation	Adaptability	Taking the initiative to further enhance one's skill set and being creative with ways of thinking or approaches that allow for action, reflection, failure, and resilience in an ever-changing world.
	Analytical Skills	Seizing the opportunity for organizational improvement that prompts critical thinking and problem solving by obtaining, processing, and synthesizing information.
	Technology	Employing current and emerging software and tools to solve general and industry-specific challenges.
Professionalism	Self-Awareness	Understanding one's strengths, limitations, emotions, and biases in a variety of situations and articulating how one's interests, skills, and values align with educational and professional goals.
	Integrity & Ethics	Making choices and consistently acting in a manner that displays integrity (following internal principles, morals, and values) and ethics (following external laws, rules, and norms) in personal and professional settings.
	Brand	Demonstrating the continual development of a positive impression or image in every facet of life while seeking feedback from others to ensure congruence between one's intended and perceived reputation.