

**Professional Practice Development**

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Diploma of Screen and Media

Stage 1 - Overview

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"A journey of a thousand miles begins with a single step"

Lao Tzu

Task 01 - Introduction

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Let’s start off with the very first task of the journal. This is mainly to introduce yourself and see what your thoughts are regarding what you want to achieve and what your long terms goals may be.

You will benefit most from this reflection if you take the time to answer as in depth and honestly as you can. Do not work through this at the last minute or only spend a short amount of time on it as we will be reviewing this first task towards the end of the subject.

As with any assessment, the more honest your responses, the more valuable the information gained from it will be. Keep in mind the following points:

* This is a ‘point-in-time’ snapshot of your ideas, strengths and limitations. Over this next year your skills will change, you will change and so will your strengths and limitations.
* Everyone is a novice at some time. Even people who later become experts.

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| *Note: You will no doubt need to adapt and change your plans as opportunities present themselves. Regardless, this exercise is primarily meant to serve as a starting point and a reference for your future plans. We don’t expect you will have a high level of mastery in every area, so these questions will allow you to reflect on where your skills are at this moment in time.* |

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Any interesting work experience, voluntary or paid?

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Any other achievements? Creative/artistic/leisure/sports?

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Hobbies and interests?

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Why did you decide to study a diploma and why AIE?

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What do you want to achieve from studying at AIE?

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What are your long term career goals?

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What plans do you need to put in place for you to get there?

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What do you enjoy/dislike the most and why? (state at least one of each)

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What are your study/skills development goals this year and how will you achieve them?

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Describe your learning you have undertaken so far at AIE?

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What has been good and bad about the experience?

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How might you approach the learning differently to help achieve your goals for the year?

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What will people around you see as your weaknesses or challenges you need to overcome?

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What will people see around you as your strengths?

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What is meant by soft skills?

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Do you feel it is important to develop them? Why?

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Describe your soft skills? Where are your strengths and limitations?

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What are your negative work habits that prevent you achieving your goals?

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Research and define your understanding of the terms artist and artisan?

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Describe which fits most closely with your goals and why?

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Task 02 – Teacher feedback

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This task will allow you to seek feedback from your teacher around your professional development so far. It is a great opportunity to discuss the directions you may be interested in and seek advice on potential career opportunities or further professional development you may need to explore.

Organise a feedback session with your teacher and discuss the following points. Take notes, so that you can document this first feedback session along your journey.

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| *Note: Again, you may not have defined exactly what your goals are, so discuss your current thinking and see if this helps with any further direction. This is a snap shot of your current thoughts and ideas and may change along the way the more your skills develop and the more your knowledge of opportunities and the industry develops.* |

Discuss soft skills and how they are regarded in the industry?

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Discuss further the idea of artist and artisan and how it relates to your career goals?

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Discuss any areas in your skills so far which you feel need development?

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Discuss a potential plan for developing these skills?

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Discuss your long terms goals and seek advice for developing skills for these goals?

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Discuss potential opportunities and directions for reaching these goals?

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Summarise how this feedback session has helped you in moving forward with developing your skills?

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Finally, discuss how you might overcome the main challenges to your success for this year?

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