

PROFESSIONAL IDENTITY (11, 12)

To engage in professional development individually and with others.

FEATURES

- Takes stock of his or her competencies and takes steps to develop them using available resources.
- Discusses the relevance of his or her pedagogical choices with his or her colleagues.
- Reflects on his or her practice (reflective analysis) and makes the appropriate adjustments.
- Spearheads projects to solve teaching problems.
- Involves peers in research related to the mastery of the competencies targeted in the programs of study and to the educational objectives of the school.

LEVEL OF MASTERY

By the end of his or her initial training, the student teacher should be able to :

- identify, understand and use available resources (research reports and professional literature, pedagogical networks, professional associations, data banks) related to teaching;
- identify his or her strengths and limitations, along with his or her personal objectives and the means of achieving them;
- engage in rigorous reflexive analysis on specific aspects of his or her teaching;
- Undertake research projects related to specific aspects of his or her teaching.

How have I developed this competency during this course or professional seminar/field experience?

Given the challenges of working in a cross-cultural environment with a totally new set of students, I had to work relentlessly to learn and research new strategies to improve my teaching to serve my students. During my research, I came across what turned out to be a very important book to help motivate my students. As mentioned in the other competency grids, engaging student motivation turned out to be one of the biggest challenges of my internship. Mendler's 2000 book "Motivating students who don't care: Successful techniques for educators" was extremely valuable for my teaching. It offered very useful techniques to motivate student work like emphasizing student efforts, recognizing their autonomy and power, and giving the students choices really helped me connect with some of the otherwise apathetic students.

Level: advance

Attach additional sheets if necessary.

WHAT IS MY CURRENT LEVEL OF MASTERY? (CHOOSE ONE)*

ADVANCED ☐

THOROUGH ☐

ACCEPTABLE ☐

PARTIAL ☐

MINIMAL ☐

**Use the features of the competency (listed above) and the professional competency rubric.*

Name _____ ID _____

Date: _____ Course Name & Number (e.g. EDEC 253) _____ PS/FE level (circle one) 1 2 3 4
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KEEP THESE FORMS IN YOUR PROFESSIONAL PORTFOLIO. YOU WILL ADD TO THEM EACH YEAR.