

Transparent Learning Framework for Students and Staff

Students: At the beginning of the meeting, review your learning expectations with your advisor. This helps to identify and address any necessary conditions for learning and benefiting from the work so that you can begin with readiness to succeed. (Bring this document to help frame the conversation with your advisor.)

Purpose

- What specific knowledge will you gain from this meeting?
- What skills will you be practicing when you do this work? How are these skills connected to your institution's learning outcomes for your degree?
- How you can use this knowledge and these skills in your life beyond the context of this meeting, this task, and beyond college?
- What short-term and long-term benefit(s) can you gain from this work?

Tasks

- What learning behaviors or actions will you use?
- Is there a sequence for these? (Are there recommended steps?)
- What roadblocks/mistakes can you avoid?
- What guidelines will you follow while you're working to check on your understanding?
- How will you notify the advisor as soon as their assistance is needed to ensure that you have a fair opportunity to gain from this work?

Criteria

- Checklist (How will you know you're doing what's expected?)
- What is your own standard for your achievement in this meeting or on this task?
- How well must you be able to understand and apply what you've gained from this work for you to know it was successful?
- What short-term and long-term benefit(s) have you gained?



Examples for Advisors, Student-facing Staff

The Transparency in Learning and Teaching (TILT) Framework advances equitable student success through a small change (or "tilt") to instructional practice that increases students' sense of belonging, persistence in college, and metacognitive awareness of how they are learning the skills that US employers value most. (Winkelmes et al. 2016, Gianoutsos and Winkelmes 2016; Calkins and Winkelmes 2018, Winkelmes et al. 2019).

Student-facing staff use the TILT Framework (of purpose, task, criteria) as a tool to guide communications and ensure that students approach a task or activity with the understanding, resources, and expectations they will need to evaluate and adjust the effectiveness of their work and to complete the task successfully. Sometimes, staff use the Framework to approach collaborative work with their own colleagues. Some examples follow.

Tutor/Mentor & Student

PURPOSE:

- Knowledge & skills gained
- Short- and long-term benefits

TASKS:

- Behaviors/actions
- Sequence of actions
- Roadblocks/mistakes to avoid
- Process to seek more help late

CRITERIA:

- How will student know this was a success?
- How will mentor know?
- Where else can this learning apply?

Supervisor & Student Worker

PURPOSE: Gym Manager Job

 Practice skills that are institutional learning outcomes: communication, global/multicultural understanding, citizenship & ethics, critical thinking

TASKS:

- Act as supervisor/role model,
- Provide training & tours
- Know services & equipment
- Follow emergency protocol

CRITERIA:

- Identify learning outcomes achieved
- Explain how you applied skills

Career Counselor & Student

PURPOSE: e-Portfolio

- Skills I practiced
- Knowledge I gained
- Value to my career goals

TASKS:

- My process
- My rationale for this approach

CRITERIA:

- Criteria I used to evaluate the success of my work
- Applications in my career where I can apply this experience

Advisor & Student Athlete

PURPOSE: Academic Efficacy

- Knowledge & skills gained
- Short- and long-term benefits

TASKS:

- Review of course schedule, sport schedule
- Review of syllabi, assignments, readings, exams, sport obligations
- Evaluate and adjust time management

CRITERIA:

- Grades and athletic performance
- · Credits earned on time
- Successful balance of academic and athletic

Advisor & Student

PURPOSE: Declare a Major

- Knowledge & skills applied
- Additional applications
- Short- and long-term gains

TASKS:

- Understand strengths/needs
- Locate necessary info
- Use available resources

CRITERIA:

- Develop self-reliance, confidence
- Declare a major before 48 credits

Staff Meeting of Colleagues

PURPOSE:

- Knowledge & skills applied
- Additional applications
- Short- and long-term gains

TASKS:

- Behaviors and sequence of actions
- · Roadblocks/mistakes to avoid
- Guidelines
- When/how to identify needed resources

CRITERIA:

- What will success look like?
- How will you measure it?
- Personal and team expectations.