# Memo

**TO:** Student Employee Supervisors

FROM: Student Employment Office (SEO)

RE: New Student Employee Orientation Checklist

Supervisors should discuss the following items with new student employees in their department. A suggested timeline for the various topics is noted below.

# Day 1 & 2

## General Orientation

1. Offer a genuine welcome and an enthusiastic introduction to other employees.

\_\_\_\_\_ 2. Give a tour of the department while noting the locations of the following items: work area, rest rooms, drinking fountain, coat rack, medical supplies, fire exits, fire extinguishers, employee entrances, etc.

\_\_\_\_\_ 3. Discuss work schedule, including when the employee will be expected to arrive and leave, procedures for absence/substitution policy, taking breaks, and other department project timelines/schedules.

4. Show employee how to utilize the timeclock to record work hours and review departmental procedures for reporting missed punches or making corrections to work hours recorded.

\_\_\_\_\_ 5. Direct employee to the Student Employment Office (LH 212) to complete student employment forms (I-9, Federal W-4, State W-4, Direct Deposit/Student Account Deduction Agreement) within the first three days of employment.

## Career Building Skills

\_\_\_\_\_6. Review job description with employee. Provide employee with a copy.

\_\_\_\_\_7. Emphasize how <u>career building skills</u> (such as communication, analytical, teamwork, and technical skills) are used on the job and reflected in the duties listed on the job description.

\_\_\_\_\_ 8. Give the first work assignment to the employee. Instruct employee who to ask for assistance if there are problems or questions.

9. Visit with the new employee at the end of their first work shift:

- a. Ask employee for impressions of the first day of work.
- b. Provide honest feedback in a positive manner.
- c. Provide employee with assurance and express confidence in their ability.
- d. Show understanding if the employee encountered initial challenges.

Notes:

# Day 3

Work Ethic & Communication

1. Emphasize the importance of a <u>strong work ethic</u>, regular attendance, and punctuality.

\_\_\_\_\_ 2. Discuss the importance of good <u>communication</u>, feedback, and regular performance appraisals.

\_\_\_\_\_ 3. Explain departmental policies, including dress, use of the office phones and supplies, cell phones, internet, confidentiality, etc.

\_\_\_\_\_ 4. Review safety guidelines and procedures. Remind employee that all injuries must be reported to the HR Office (LH 203) immediately.

Notes:

## Day 4

Teamwork

1. Emphasize the importance of <u>teamwork</u>.

\_\_\_\_\_ 2. Describe the general function of the department and how it ties into the College's overall mission statement.

\_\_\_\_\_ 3. Describe the various functions of other employees in the department and how they all work together.

\_\_\_\_\_ 4. Describe the interrelation of the department with other departments. Introduce the employee to persons in other departments with whom the employee may serve and have contact.

## Notes:

# Day 5

Service

\_\_\_\_\_1. Emphasize the importance of <u>service</u>. Identify all of the department's customers and guests.

\_\_\_\_\_ 2. Express the importance of the employee's job and how it ties to the College's overall mission statement.

\_\_\_\_\_ 3. Explain the impact the employee's position and performance can have on other people, departments, and procedures. Share expected standards of performance.

Notes:

#### **Beginning of Week 2**

Job Performance

\_\_\_\_\_1. Visit with the employee regarding their progress over the first week.

\_\_\_\_\_ 2. Acknowledge employee's strong skill sets based on job performance.

\_\_\_\_\_ 3. Review challenges that employee has encountered on the job.

\_\_\_\_\_ 4. Discuss ways in which job performance can be improved.

\_\_\_\_\_ 5. Communicate how employee is doing in regards to meeting the overall expected standards of performance.

Notes:

I acknowledge that all applicable checklist items have been covered as indicated by the checkmarks above and my signature below.

| Employee's Signature:   | Date: |
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| Supervisor's Signature: | Date: |
| Department:             |       |