

BSBFLM511B Develop a workplace learning environment

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Application of the Unit

Not applicable.

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Licensing/Regulatory Information

Not applicable.

Pre-Requisites

Not applicable.

Employability Skills Information

Not applicable.

Elements and Performance Criteria Pre-Content

Not applicable.

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- 1 Create learning opportunities
- 1.1 Potential formal and informal learning opportunities are identified
 - 1.2 Learning needs of individuals are identified in relation to the needs of the team and/or enterprise and available learning opportunities
 - 1.3 Learning plans are developed and implemented as an integral part of individual and team performance plans
 - 1.4 Strategies are developed to ensure that learning plans reflect the diversity of needs
 - 1.5 Organisational procedures maximise individual and team access to, and participation in, learning opportunities
 - 1.6 Effective liaison occurs with training and development specialists and contributes to learning opportunities which enhance individual, team and organisational performance

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- 2 Facilitate and promote learning
- 2.1 Strategies are developed to ensure that workplace learning opportunities are used and team members are encouraged to share their skills and knowledge to encourage a learning culture within the team
- 2.2 Organisational procedures are implemented to ensure workplace learning opportunities contribute to the development of appropriate workplace knowledge, skills and attitudes
- 2.3 Policies and procedures are implemented to encourage team members to assess their own competencies, and to identify own learning and development needs
- 2.4 The benefits of learning are shared with others in the team and organisation
- 2.5 Workplace achievement is recognised by timely and appropriate recognition, feedback and rewards
- 3 Monitor and improve learning effectiveness
- 3.1 Strategies are used to ensure that team and individual learning performance is monitored to determine the type and extent of any additional work-based support required, and any occupational health and safety issues
- 3.2 Feedback from individuals and teams is used to identify and introduce improvements in future learning arrangements
- 3.3 Adjustments negotiated with training and development specialists result in improvements to the efficiency and effectiveness of learning
- 3.4 Processes are used to ensure that records and reports of competency are documented and maintained within the organisation's systems and procedures to inform future planning

Required Skills and Knowledge

Not applicable.

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Evidence Guide

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Overview of Assessment Requirements

A person who demonstrates competence in this standard must be able to provide evidence that they are able to facilitate the development of a learning environment. They must be able to show evidence of the ability to identify workplace activities which facilitate learning, and negotiate learning arrangements with training and development specialists. They also must be able to develop strategies to monitor performance of individuals and the team and use this to improve learning effectiveness and future learning arrangements.

Specific Evidence Requirements

Required knowledge and understanding include:

relevant legislation from all levels of government that affects business operation, especially in regard to Occupational Health and Safety and environmental issues, equal opportunity, industrial relations and anti-discrimination

the principles and techniques involved in the management and organisation of:

- adult learning
- a learning environment and learning culture
- work based learning
- structured learning
- problem identification and resolution
- leadership
- coaching and mentoring
- consultation and communication
- record keeping and management methods
- monitoring and reviewing workplace learning
- improvement strategies

management of relationships to achieve a learning environment strategies that contribute to the elimination of discrimination/bias

Required skills and attributes include:

ability to relate to people from a range of social, cultural and ethnic backgrounds and physical and mental abilities

functional literacy skills to access and use workplace information communication skills to:

- encourage colleagues to share their knowledge and skills
- gain the trust and confidence of colleagues
- deal with people openly and fairly
- use consultation skills effectively

skills to facilitate, promote and monitor learning:

- identifying learning needs
- developing learning plans
- selecting and using work activities to create learning opportunities
- establishing a workplace which is conducive to learning

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- negotiating learning arrangements with training and development specialists
- using coaching and mentoring to support learning
- evaluating the effectiveness of learning

Key competencies or generic skills relevant to this unit

The seven key competencies represent generic skills considered essential for effective work participation. Innovation skills represent a further area of generic competence. The bracketed numbering indicates the performance level required in this unit:

Level (1) represents the competence to undertake tasks effectively

Level (2) represents the competence to manage tasks

Level (3) represents the competence to use concepts for evaluating and reshaping tasks. The bulleted points provide examples of how the key competencies can be applied for this unit.

Communicating ideas and information (3)

discussing strategies to facilitate and improve workplace learning

sharing with others the benefits of learning

providing feedback, recognition and rewards to team and individuals

Collecting, analysing and organising information (3)

assembling information about learning options

Planning and organising activities (3)

developing and implementing strategies to facilitate and promote learning

Working in a team (3)

gaining feedback from individuals and team members on learning needs and opportunities

Using mathematical ideas and techniques (2)

compiling data about learning arrangement

Solving problems (3)

resolving difficulties with competency development

Using technology (2)

using technology to assist in the management of information and to promote learning Innovation skills (3)

developing an innovative approach to the development of a learning culture to enhance business operations

Products that could be used as evidence include:

documentation produced in developing a workplace learning environment, such as:

- contribution to organisational policies and procedures
- procedures and policies for dealing with learning systems, and related codes of conduct
- evidence of actions taken to address information collection and retrieval
- evidence of actions taken to address methods of analysing information
- evidence of actions taken to develop and/or maintain a learning culture
- evidence of actions taken to address internal and external learning issues
- evidence of actions taken to address issues and problems within the work team
- evidence of advice and input into management decisions related to the work team and workplace learning
- learning and development plans for team members
- materials developed for coaching, mentoring and training
- induction programs developed and/or delivered
- reviews of people management
- records of people management lessons learned

Processes that could be used as evidence include:

how workplace learning activities were developed and managed

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how work was allocated within work team, and rationale for allocations

how learning plans were developed

how team members have been encouraged to participate in learning opportunities

how procedures have been designed to ensure that individual learning and development pathways were developed and implemented

how liaison with training and development specialists has occurred, especially in regard to ongoing improvement

how team members were encouraged to assess their own competencies and to identify own learning and development needs

how workplace achievement has been recognised

how input and advice was provided to management and stakeholders in relation to the benefits of learning and development

how learning and development records have been documented and stored

how performance management processes were reviewed and evaluated, and improvements identified, reported and acted upon

Resource implications for assessment include:

access by the learner and trainer to appropriate documentation and resources normally used in the workplace

Validity and sufficiency of evidence requires:

that this unit can be assessed in the workplace or in a closely simulated work environment that where assessment is part of a learning experience, evidence will need to be collected over a period of time, involving both formative and summative assessment

that examples of actions taken by the candidate to develop a workplace learning environment are provided

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relevant industry codes of practice

OHS considerations may include:

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OHS practice as an ethical standard and legislative requirement

training of all employees in health and safety procedures

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inclusion of OHS requirements in the planning process

inclusion of OHS in learning plans

adjustment of communications and OHS approach to cater for social and cultural diversity and special needs

Learning opportunities may include:

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shadowing

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developmental learning, for example the learning required to progress through an organisation and take on new tasks and roles

Learning plans may include:

team competencies team roles and responsibilities performance standards work outputs and processes

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Key Performance Indicators (KPI)

codes of conduct

OHS requirements

negotiated agreement with individual

Diversity of needs may include:

learning needs that relate to social, cultural and other types of workplace diversity, such as the need for varied communication styles and approaches

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Unit Sector(s)

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