The University of Edinburgh Behaviours Charter – all staff

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| We aim to achieve excellence in all that we do, always being principled, considerate and respectful. We celebrate and strengthen our deep- rooted and distinctive internationalism, attracting the world's best minds and building innovative global partnerships for research, teaching and impact. | We aim to achieve excellence in all that we do, always being principled, considerate and respectful. | We foster a welcoming community where staff, students, alumni and friends feel proud to be part of our University. Our teaching and research is relevant to society and we are diverse, inclusive and accessible to all. | Our teaching and research is relevant to society and we are diverse, inclusive and accessible to all. We sustain a deep allegiance and commitment to the interests of the city and region in which we are based, alongside our national and international efforts, ensuring relevance to all. | We are ambitious, bold and act with integrity, always being willing to listen. We are a place of transformation and self-improvement driven to achieve benefit for individuals, communities, societies and our world. |
| We will demonstrate excellence by: | We will be principled by: | We will be accessible and inclusive by: | We will be relevant by: | We will be ambitious by: |
| Taking pride in our work Doing our best to deliver what is expected of us Being open to feedback and new ways of working Aiming to continuously improve our work Proactively managing our workload and making effective use of our time | Doing what we say we will Role modelling professional behaviour Asking for help when we need it Complying with University policies and procedures Seeking to understand issues that arise and working constructively to resolve them | Being open to different ways of thinking and new ideas Valuing and exchanging different knowledge and skills Challenging bullying and harassment Welcoming and supporting our colleagues, students, alumni and friends | Proactively looking for new and better ways of doing things Suggesting and trying out new approaches and taking acceptable risks Listening to and acting on constructive feedback Changing our communication style to best meet the needs of our audience | Taking- individual accountability for achieving high performance Welcoming feedback to support our ongoing development Actively aligning our work to the achievement of Strategy 2030 Embracing change and the opportunities that it provides |
| We will not : | We will not: | We will not: | We will not: | We will not: |
| Stick to outdated methods that have become ineffective. Demonstrate a lack of concern about the quality of our work. | Demonstrate and role model negative and disruptive behaviour Refuse to comply with University policies and procedures Avoid taking responsibility for our own actions | Accept any instances of bullying and harassment Exclude others from activities, particularly those that could benefit them Disregard the views and ideas of others that aren't similar to our own. Work in isolation | Continue to do things the way they have always been done Take risks that may damage our reputation or harm others Ignore input from others Alienate people by not flexing our communication style | Be apathetic Dismiss and discourage feedback Work in silos and not align our work to the goals of the University Actively avoid or resist change |

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| We will demonstrate excellence by: Taking accountability for our tasks and the tasks of our teams. Being prepared to give, and to receive, constructive and timely feedback always with the intention of improving performance or behaviour. Taking the time to identify and celebrate success. Striving to continuously improve our work and the work of our teams; always aiming to deliver what is expected of us in the best way that we can . Role modelling effective workload management and supporting others to make effective use of their time. | We will be principled by: Doing what we say we will and being clear in our expectations for our teams to do the same. Leading by example, role modelling appropriate, professional behaviour_that reflects the University values. Complying with University policies and procedures. Ensuring that our teams are familiar with, and informed of, any changes that impact them. Giving due credit for the work of others | We will be accessible and inclusive by: Promoting a culture where diversity of thought is encouraged by actively supporting new ideas, approaches and ways of working and where staff and students feel able to ask for help and support. Proactively working with others to share knowledge and skills for the benefit of the University as a whole. Taking action to prevent and/or put an end to any bullying, harassment or discriminatory behaviour that is brought to your attention. Welcoming and supporting our colleagues, teams, students, alumni and friends. | We will be relevant by creating an environment where: Staff are encouraged and supported to find and suggest better ways of doing things. It is ok to take acceptable risks and try doing things differently. There is a culture of frequent, constructive feedback. There are open and accessible communication channels and messages are clear and transparent wherever possible. | We will be ambitious by: Inspiring others to take accountability for achieving high performance and leading by example. Always looking for opportunities to work collaboratively with others to achieve more together Requesting regular feedback to support our ongoing development and leadership style. Clearly and proactively articulating expectations and goals to our teams and empowering them to act. Being an ambassador for change and the opportunities that it provides. |
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| Encourage our teams to stick to outdated methods that have become ineffective. Demonstrate a lack of concern about the quality of our work and that of our peers and teams. | Demonstrate and role model negative and disruptive behaviour and allow negative behaviours to go unchallenged. Refuse to comply with University policies and procedures and withhold information from our teams Avoid taking responsibility for our own actions and those of the team. | Tolerate or ignore any instances of bullying and harassment or discriminatory behaviour. Exclude others from activities that could benefit them or focus efforts to benefit the few. Disregard the views and ideas of others that aren't similar to our own and discourage people from sharing their views. Work in isolation and enable our teams to work in silos. | Encourage staff to do things the way they have always been done and to not ask questions. Allow others to take risks that may damage our reputation or harm others. Ignore input from others, regardless of their position. Alienate people by withholding information or not flexing our communication style. | Be seen to be apathetic. Dismiss and discourage feedback for ourselves and in our teams. Encourage silo working and be unwilling to align our work to the goals of the University and Strategy 2030. Actively avoid or resist change and encourage our teams to disengage from change programmes and initiatives. |