

Critical Thinking Portfolio

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**1. “Identify three characteristics or attributes that should be integrated into a personal mission statement. How do you plan to use your personal mission statement in defining your future? Please share examples in support of your response”.**

A mission statement should include three essential characteristics: self-awareness, clarity and focus. My personal mission statement will be my roadmap for achieving success. I plan to use it to guide and focus my decisions, goals, and actions. I can better prioritize the tasks, stay disciplined when challenges arise and measure progress against my own stated objectives. For example, if I want to work towards a promotion at my job, my mission statement will help me identify the steps I need to take to get there, such as pushing myself to learn new skills and make meaningful contributions to ongoing projects rather than just hoping for the best. In this way, my mission statement will provide a tangible plan and anchor me to my goals even when I am feeling unmotivated or distracted. My mission statement will keep me focused on the big picture while allowing me to take small, consistent steps toward achieving it. This way, I can stay motivated and accountable for my own professional growth and development.

**2. “Discuss new ideas of what you think an employer would be looking for in your Portfolio. Why do you think it would be important to include this page in your Portfolio?”**

An employer would likely be looking for a creative, innovative portfolio that demonstrates the applicant's knowledge and skills. A portfolio page that includes new ideas and creative problem-solving approaches can be a great way to demonstrate the applicant's ability to think outside the box. By including this page in the portfolio, the applicant shows that they are willing to take risks, be creative, and present solutions uniquely. Additionally, this page can be used to showcase the applicant's knowledge and skills in an innovative manner, which can make

them stand out from the competition. Including a page detailing volunteer or extracurricular activities is also beneficial as it shows that I am engaged in the community, have strong leadership skills, and am capable of working effectively with a variety of people. Additionally, showcasing professional memberships or affiliations can demonstrate my commitment to staying up-to-date in the industry and make me stand out from other candidates.