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PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

*Helping Iowa State University Extension
and Outreach professionals become the
best they can be!*

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What does **Professional Development** do?

Professional Development directly supports Iowa State University Extension and Outreach's strategic plan, aligning the professional skills of our people with the needs of our organization. We **conceptualize**, **design**, and **present** learning opportunities that **motivate**, **challenge**, **strengthen**, and **enlighten** staff, faculty, elected council officials, and volunteers.

Professional Development also coordinates ISU Extension and Outreach professional development conferences, supports compliance training, provides core competency professional development, and supports staff career path development. Our mission is to help extension professionals to become the best they can be.

What are some of the educational **topics and opportunities** that Professional Development offers?

- Adult Learning
- Awards
- Communication
- Conferences
- Diversity and Inclusion
- eAccessibility
- Leadership
- Mentoring
- Orientation and Onboarding
- Technology
- Tuition Assistance
- Virtual Education

Why is Professional Development **important**?

These programs will help you learn how to:

- Successfully interact with individuals and groups in a professional manner.
- Promote the scope and depth of ISU Extension and Outreach carried out on campus and in the field.
- Understand and respect the needs and benefits of a diverse community of people of all genders, ages, cultures, races, religions, sexual orientations, socio-economic backgrounds, and abilities.
- Develop partnerships with organizations, government, businesses, and other entities to identify and prioritize needs to enhance life in Iowa communities.
- Create positive, professional, and productive work with integrity and ethics.

How do I **get started**?

Visit with your supervisor and decide what professional development will benefit your professional and personal growth, then visit the Professional Development website.

