

EMPLOYABILITY EDGE OF A STUDENT LEADER

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This research study aimed to describe different employability skills essential to pursue a job but which cannot be learned inside the classroom. The respondents were the alumni student leaders of Jose Rizal University, current student leaders for academic year 2013-2014, and students who were not connected to any organization.

Based on the results gathered, the skills that were possessed by the student leaders gave them the edge to pursue a career that they wanted and to become successful as they continue to achieve their goals. The alumni group noted much improvement in their personality, confidence, leadership skills and attitude towards work because of their involvement in student activities. The current student leaders indicated that significant transformations happened as they became part of the organization such as increase in their self-confidence, personality, leadership skills, sense of responsibility, self fulfillment, time management, credibility, and versatility. The current students who were not active in the organizations were confident about the knowledge that they acquired in relation to their chosen course, however most of them were not able to use their acquired competencies.

Holistic development of the graduates is important for them to easily land a job. Having been a leader of a student organization gives applicants an edge among other applicants. and a deep impact to the company to consider them