

## 3.5: The '21st Century Practitioner': Characteristics

## The 21st Century Practitioner is:

- ✓ Self, socially and culturally aware.
- ✓ Open minded.
- ✓ Up to date.
- ✓ Respectful, relatable, compassionate, loving and kind.
- ✓ Inclusive, welcoming and engaging.
- ✓ Passionate, enthusiastic and encouraging.
- ✓ Innovative and creative.
- ✓ Needs-focused.
- ✓ A role model for sustainable, open minded, responsible, ethical and inclusive practice.
- ✓ Reflective and committed to their own development.
- ✓ Current, appropriately qualified and professional.
- ✓ Resilient and adaptable.
- ✓ Intentional and critical.
- ✓ Holistically informed.
- ✓ Part of a community of practice, sharing good practice and lessons learned.

## They:

- $\checkmark$  Understand their personal values and know why they are doing what they do.
- $\checkmark$  Can explain the thinking behind their approaches to teaching and learning.
- ✓ Strive to learn.
- ✓ Understand the value of personal empowerment and the futility of forcing growth/change.
- ✓ Speak up or act when things aren't right.
- $\checkmark~$  Live their stated values in practice.

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