

Living a Joy Filled Life - With Limited Stress

Take care of yourself- so that you can care for others in the workplace. Reduce stress and become more relaxed, productive and able to enjoy your life and our work at the University.

- 1. Know your strengths and talents concentrate efforts in these areas
- 2. Be kind to yourself, eliminate negative self talk...you do not need to be perfect.
- 3. Focus on those things that you can influence or control. Release those things that are irritating but outside of your control.
- 4. Surround yourself with positive people who care about you, your growth and your welfare.
- 5. Take a stroll around our beautiful campus and smile at students and colleagues.
- 6. Connect with others at work. Develop friendships with co-workers. Have friends and be a good friend.
- 7. Find the humor in daily life. Put a smile on your face.
- 8. Assume that people are good and well intentioned. Ask for help.
- 9. Write out your personal values make daily decisions that are consistent with your values.
- 10. Learn how to eat well and do it. Get enough sleep.
- 11. Study and practice so that you are capable and competent. Be who you want to be...don't always seek the approval of others.
- 12. You can't get it all done today. Determine what is most important now...and do it.
- 13. Communicate effectively recognize others, say thanks, be a friend, resolve small conflicts, be genuine, and authentic.
- 14. Love yourself for who you are today. Demand respect respectfully.
- 15. Practice saying "no" when necessary but be open to saying "yes" when it brings new opportunities and is consistent with your values.