

MYTHS ABOUT PROFESSIONALISM

VS

TRUTHS ABOUT PROFESSIONALISM

The professional world is constantly evolving. It can be hard to keep track of what is considered professional or not. Here are some myths and truths about professionalism to help you along the way!



ATTIRE



You must dress to impress in order to be viewed as a serious professional!

Your wardrobe is not the most important thing about you. Your abilities to do your job should be seen as more important than what you wear while doing it.



COMMUNICATION



There is only one kind of way to communicate as a professional.

As much as it is great to be prepared to answer questions professionally, you can still be authentic while doing so.



EDUCATION



You must have a higher level of education to be considered professional.

Being a professional is more about who you are and how you communicate with others, not a degree.



SMALL TALK



Small-talk is the only successful way to network.

Asking questions, being intentional and showing interest can actually be more effective in a networking situation than small talk.



BLENDING IN



You have to blend in and not draw attention to stay professional.

You shouldn't worry about whether you stand out in your company or not. The less you worry, the more likely you are to take chances to better yourself and the company.



ALWAYS LEARNING



Once you enter the professional world, you are done learning.

A huge part of the professional world is having the ability to adapt, learn and grow throughout your professional career.