## **WIVERSITY Finance Values** | Strategic Continuous Improvement

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We value innovative ideas that challenge the status quo, empower each team member to make changes that deliver results, and we seek to add value in everything we do.



A Valued & Trusted Financial Partner

## **Sample Descriptive Behaviors**

- Uses Lean tools to discover opportunities to improve processes
- Plans and tests ideas prior to implementation
- Identifies metrics for success
- Evaluates outcomes to determine success
- Asks, "How might we?" to challenges the status quo
- Schedules dedicated times for innovative thinking and discussion
- Asks others what matters most (value)
- Considers processes from end to end outside of immediate function
- Proposes innovative ideas
- Asks for feedback from team members
- Sees a problem and proposes a solution
- Actively observes and sets time aside to discuss lessons learned
- Celebrates innovative ideas in a meaningful way
- Communicates desired outcomes to empower team members to achieve them Sets ambitious goals for performance
- Asks "Why do I do this? Is this valued by the people I support?"

- Collects feedback from partners seeking opportunities to improve
- Takes calculated risks and learns from failures in the spirit of improvement
- Measures work (productivity, quality, accuracy, etc.) to identify opportunities for improvement
- Participates in continuous improvement projects
- Sets and works towards shared goals across UVAFinance
- Publicly recognizes improvements
- Questions the purpose behind process steps and questions whether they are producing value
- Seeks out best practices
- Creates space for innovation
- Assesses current state process/steps to identify opportunities for improvement
- Engages vendors/external partners in continuous improvement efforts