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Aim To Be an Open Source Zero

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What I Do Now...
What I Wanted to Do Growing Up ...
Inspiration

[Image of a man and an astronaut]

[Image of a space mission emblem]


[Image of Autodesk logo]
Aim To Be a Zero

“When you have some skills but don’t fully understand your environment, there is no way you can be a plus one. At best, you can be a zero... but a zero isn’t a bad thing to be ...”

Colonel Chris Hadfield
ISS - Expedition 35 Commander
Who Does This Apply To?
Expeditionary Behavior Is ...

“Being able to live & work with a group of people 24/7 and to get along even when you have a bad day.”

Paul Petzoldt – Founder – National Outdoor Leadership School (NOLS)
Expeditionary Behavior

Invest in Other People’s Success
Expeditionary Behavior

Leader by Example

Preparation is Everything

leadership is not a position or a title, it is action and example.
Do Your Homework

Communication Tools & Norms

Development Process

KEEP CALM AND DO YOUR HOMEWORK
Do Your Homework

Leadership & Organization

Project Governance
Offer to Do the Dirty Work

“The best way to contribute to a brand new environment is not by trying to prove what a wonderful addition you are. It’s by trying to have a neutral impact ...”

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Testing & Quality Assurance

Documentation

AND THIS IS JOH, OUR NEW DEVELOPER

GREAT! DOES HE ALREADY KNOW ANYTHING ABOUT OUR SYSTEM?

I READ THE WHOLE DOCUMENTATION

NO
Offer To Do The Dirty Work

Bug Fixing & Triage

WHAT IS THE DIFFERENCE?
- what to make?
- what to achieve?
- experiences
- credible
- focus on interactions
- visual elements
- desirable
- focus on tools

UI/UX
Offer To Do The Dirty Work

Answer Questions

Questions?
Click Here

GET ANSWERS

Community & Evangelism
Treat Everyone With Respect

- Treat Everyone With Respect
- Criticize the Problem - Not the Person

Circular diagram:
- Behaviour
- Skills
- Professionalism
- Knowledge

FEEDBACK

RESPECT IS A TWO WAY STREET

AUTODESK
Treat Everyone With Respect

No ego or company reputation

Human dynamics
Bringing It All Together

There’s no such thing as altruism.

… It’s About Removing Friction

… Not Rocket Science
Final Thoughts

“... Proclaiming your plus-oneness at the outset almost guarantees you’ll be perceived as a minus one, regardless of the skills [or value] you bring to the table or how you actually perform.”

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Thank You

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