

## UPSKILLING SCIENCE EDUCATORS FOR A BETTER STEM GENERATION

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How do you assess yourself as an educator? Are you someone who inspires your students because of your excellence in your field of specialization, or are you someone who only goes to school for a salary and additional benefits?

Students may learn best from experiences, but they will not excel if their teachers do not assist, guide, and facilitate them. Most of them copy or adopt what they see from their teachers. If they observe that their teachers are competent, proficient, and confident in what they are doing or teaching, learners also become like them.

As science educators, you must not stop or limit your education after your baccalaureate degree. You may consider attending classes for a master's degree or even a doctorate degree. Expanding your knowledge and enhancing your skills may also be attained through seminars, trainings, and workshops. These trainings may sharpen your existing skills and let you learn new ones as well. Seminars and workshops can also increase your productivity and improve your work quality further. These are some of the things that you can do to improve yourselves as science educators. The next generation of learners, especially the STEM generation, may become globally competent and competitive if they learn from educators who are not inferior but exceptional and excellent.

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