

# The Importance of Good Role Models in Different Careers

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## 1. Introduction

Role models play a crucial role in shaping the behavior, aspirations, and values of the new generation. Scientific research has highlighted the importance of positive role models in various domains, including career choices, personal development, and moral values. Here, we will explore the effects of a good role model in different careers, with a special focus on the life and contributions of Dr. Mahmood Shahcheraghian. Choosing a role model in your career after graduation is of utmost importance. A role model serves as a guiding light, providing inspiration, motivation, and valuable insights into the profession one has chosen. Having a role model can help you navigate the complexities of your career, make informed decisions, and set meaningful goals. A role model can also serve as a source of encouragement during tough times, reminding you of your potential and pushing you to strive for excellence. By observing and learning from a role model, you can gain valuable insights, develop important skills, and enhance your professional growth. Ultimately, choosing a role model in your career after graduation can significantly impact your journey, helping you shape a successful and fulfilling career path (Figure 1) (1, 2).

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Dr. Mahmood Shahcheraghian was an exceptional individual who played a crucial role as a role model and father figure for pharmacists in Shiraz, Fars province, IR. As the CEO of the Fars Pharmacist Association, he dedicated his life to advancing the field of pharmacy in the region. His leadership and guidance inspired countless pharmacists to strive for excellence in their profession. Despite facing numerous challenges, Dr. Shahcheraghian's determination led him to graduate from Tabriz University as a pharmacist, even after being dismissed from Tehran University for his support of Dr. Mossadegh.

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Figure 1. Dr. Mahmood Shahcheraghian, Pharmacist.

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Dr. Shahcheraghian exemplified the characteristics of a good role model in various aspects of his life. His dedication to service and duty was evident in every aspect of his life, and he led by example in all areas. His remarkable level of pragmatism, logic, and responsibility when protecting and preserving pharmacists' rights showcased his commitment to his profession. Moreover, his deep faith in God guided his decision-making process, and his life revolved around his duty and service to people, especially his colleagues.

He had a profound impact on the pharmacist community not only in Shiraz but also in Iran. His strong social connections and his sense of duty and service to others made him immensely popular among his colleagues. His cheerful and reliable nature endeared him to everyone he encountered. His contribution was pivotal in the construction of a building that was generously donated to the Fars Pharmacist's Association. This building continues to serve as the residence for pharmacists in Shiraz. Nature held a special place in Dr. Shahcheraghian's heart, and he would often spend a significant amount of time climbing mountains. He lived by the famous quote, "Keep climbing, and when you reach the top, don't forget to turn around and help others up." This encapsulates his approach to life and how he dedicated himself to uplifting others. His adventurous spirit and love for the outdoors served as an inspiration to many, pushing the boundaries of what was thought possible.

Sadly, Dr. Shahcheraghian passed away a few months ago at the remarkable age of 95. However, his legacy lives on as a symbol of dedication, perseverance, and leadership in the field of pharmacy. His contributions and impact on the pharmacist community in Iran will be remembered and cherished for years to come. Dr. Shahcheraghian's life is a testament to the importance of having a purpose and finding meaning in one's existence. His unwavering dedication to service, his ability to overcome challenges, and his commitment to helping others serve as an inspiration to us all.

## **Conflict of Interest**

The authors declare that they have no conflict of interest.

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