

Critical Core Skills

For
Students

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(Adapted from Skills Demand for the Future Economy 2023/24 Report)



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The 16 CCS closely align with the 21st Century Competencies we strive to develop in our students. Let's do a quick comparison with 21CC:

- Critical, Adaptive and Inventive Thinking
- Communication, Collaboration and Information Skills
- Civic, Global and Cross-Cultural Literacy

How can we create opportunities to equip students with CCS and 21st Century Competencies through our daily interactions with them? Click [here](#) to learn how we can do so through infusing ECG into Student Development Experiences (SDEs)!

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