

Transferable Skills Checklist

Over the years, you have developed many skills from coursework, co-curricular activities, and your total life experiences. If you have researched topics and written reports or edited and presented papers for classes, you have used skills that are not limited to just one discipline but are *transferable* to many different occupations or disciplines. A prospective employer expects you to be able to apply the skills you have learned in college to the work environment. Use the following checklist to help you pinpoint some of your transferable skills.

Communication Skills

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> speaking effectively <input type="checkbox"/> writing clearly and concisely <input type="checkbox"/> listening attentively and objectively <input type="checkbox"/> expressing ideas <input type="checkbox"/> facilitating group discussion <input type="checkbox"/> interviewing <input type="checkbox"/> editing <input type="checkbox"/> responding appropriately to +/- feedback <input type="checkbox"/> using various media to present ideas imaginatively 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> providing appropriate feedback <input type="checkbox"/> negotiating <input type="checkbox"/> perceiving nonverbal messages <input type="checkbox"/> persuading <input type="checkbox"/> reporting information <input type="checkbox"/> describing feelings <input type="checkbox"/> public speaking <input type="checkbox"/> using various styles of written communication <input type="checkbox"/> conveying a positive self image to others
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Research/Planning/Investigation

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> forecasting/predicting <input type="checkbox"/> creating ideas <input type="checkbox"/> identifying problems <input type="checkbox"/> imagining alternatives <input type="checkbox"/> identifying resources <input type="checkbox"/> gathering information <input type="checkbox"/> solving problems <input type="checkbox"/> setting goals <input type="checkbox"/> extracting important information 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> analyzing <input type="checkbox"/> developing evaluation strategies <input type="checkbox"/> testing validity of data <input type="checkbox"/> designing an experiment or model <input type="checkbox"/> formulating questions <input type="checkbox"/> making conclusions <input type="checkbox"/> conceptualizing <input type="checkbox"/> observing and discovering <input type="checkbox"/> defining needs
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Human Relations/Interpersonal

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> developing rapport <input type="checkbox"/> being sensitive <input type="checkbox"/> listening <input type="checkbox"/> conveying feelings <input type="checkbox"/> providing support for others <input type="checkbox"/> motivating <input type="checkbox"/> sharing credit <input type="checkbox"/> helping others <input type="checkbox"/> counseling <input type="checkbox"/> cooperating <input type="checkbox"/> keeping a group "on track" 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> being patient <input type="checkbox"/> interacting effectively with peers, superiors, and subordinates <input type="checkbox"/> persuading others <input type="checkbox"/> being willing to take risks <input type="checkbox"/> reaching/instructing others <input type="checkbox"/> demonstrating effective social behavior <input type="checkbox"/> perceiving feelings and situations <input type="checkbox"/> delegating with respect <input type="checkbox"/> working with diversity or multi-cultural issues
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Work Survival

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> implementing decisions <input type="checkbox"/> cooperation <input type="checkbox"/> enforcing policies <input type="checkbox"/> being punctual <input type="checkbox"/> managing time and stress <input type="checkbox"/> attending to detail <input type="checkbox"/> working effectively under pressure <input type="checkbox"/> taking initiative in job-related duties <input type="checkbox"/> discerning appropriate behaviors for the workplace 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> meeting goals <input type="checkbox"/> enlisting help <input type="checkbox"/> accepting responsibility <input type="checkbox"/> setting and meeting deadlines <input type="checkbox"/> organizing <input type="checkbox"/> making decisions <input type="checkbox"/> seeking opportunities for professional development <input type="checkbox"/> evaluating personal and professional strengths and weaknesses
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