# Skills list

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| Abstract thinking | Interpersonal skills |
| AI and big data | Knowledge transfer/commercialisation |
| Analysis/synthesis | Leadership |
| Analytical thinking | Management |
| Apply research ethics and integrity principles | Marketing and media |
| Career planning and development | Math/numeracy |
| Commercial awareness | Mentoring |
| Communicate to broad public | Multi-lingualism |
| Communication to research community | Negotiation, persuasion and influence |
| Creativity/Creative thinking | Networking |
| Critical thinking | Organisation |
| Curiosity and lifelong learning | Passion |
| Data analysis | Political awareness |
| Data and literature management | Proactivity |
| Decision making | Problem solving |
| Dedication | Project management |
| Digital literacy | Promote citizen science |
| Disciplinary or technical knowledge | Research translation and Societal impact |
| Emotional Intelligence | Resilience, flexibility and agility |
| Empathy and active listening | Resource acquisition and/or Grant writing |
| Ensure wellbeing at work | Resource management |
| Entrepreneurship | Self-promotion and personal branding |
| Environmental stewardship | Statistical analysis |
| Expertise | Strategic thinking |
| Global citizenship | Systemic thinking |
| Independent working | Teaching |
| Intellectual property and patenting | Team working |
| Intercultural awareness and promotion | Time management |
| Interdisciplinarity | Writing |

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