1. Solving complex problems, including Design Thinking

Competence: Solving complex problems, including Design Thinking	
Creativity	 creative thinking
	o co-creation
	 hacking / out of the box thinking
	 imagining the future and developing a process for intervention
Cognitive skills	 analytical skills
	 cognitive skills
	 critical thinking
	 tackling 'wicked' problems
	 applying knowledge
	o research skills
	 methods skills
Social skills	o teamwork
	 giving and receiving feedback
	integrity
	o moral leadership
	 ability to come with reasoned solutions to ethical dilemmas
Communicative skills	 listening skills
	 ability to talk and write with different and diverse partners
	 information gathering
	o presentation skills
Profession-specific skills	o applying know-how

2. People skills

	Competence: People skills	
Teamwork	 contributing to positive team dynamics 	
	 working autonomously in the interest of shared goals 	
	 accountability 	
	 giving constructive feedback 	
	 Knowing how to define a role as part of a team 	
	 Identifying the strengths of team members 	
Leadership	 taking initiative 	
	 dealing appropriately with conflict 	
	 ability to motivate 	
	 ability to listen actively 	
Intercultural	o cultural empathy	
competences	o open-mindedness	
	 flexibility in behavior 	
	 assessing different backgrounds, genders, races, religions, or 	
	political persuasions	
	 correctly and constructively negotiating these different backgrounds 	

Self-regulation	0	receiving feedback and being able to make adjustments accordingly dealing with changes and uncertainty and adapting to new situations
	0	compassion with others
	0	social initiative
	0	adaptability

3. Communication

Competence: Communication skills	
Language skills	 speaking clearly
	 writing clearly
	 interview skills
	 editing skills
	 presentation skills
	o ad lib skills
	 ability to adapt to different audiences
	 competent in different languages
Knowledge exchange	 interpreting and incorporating information
	 adapting speech/writing to different audiences
Persuasion	 argumentation
	 negotiation
	 marketing ideas
Intercultural	 establishing and maintaining cross-cultural networks
competences	 expressing ideas, knowledge, and feelings in a culturally
	sensitive way
Teamwork	 listening and understanding
	 assertiveness
	 facilitating discussion
	 providing appropriate feedback
	 perceiving non-verbal messages

4. Initiative and enterprise

Competence: Initiative and enterprise		
Pioneering mind-set	 identifying opportunities not obvious to others 	
	 analytical and cognitive skills 	
	o critical reflection	
	 out-of-the box thinking/hacking 	
	 identifying and tackling 'wicked problems' 	
Leadership skills	o strategic thinking	
	o people skills	
	o decision taking	

С	accountability and assuming ownership
C	integrity and moral leadership

5. Planning and organizing

Competence: Planning and Organising	
Time management	 setting priorities
	 meeting deadlines
	 coordinating different activities
	 maintaining a healthy work-life balance
Project	 collecting, analysing, and organising information
management skills	 using IT to organise data
	 solving problems
People skills	 motivating others
	 identifying problems and solving them
	 identifying and deploying team members' strengths
Self-regulation	 resourcefulness when faced with difficulties
	o discipline
	 adaptability
	 emotional stability

6. Self-regulation

Competence: Self-regulation	
Learning goals	 managing one's learning and one's learning goals
	 identifying and seeking out appropriate development
	opportunities
Confidence and stability	 emotional stability
	 responsibility
	 self-reliance
	 resourcefulness
	 articulating own ideas and vision
	 social initiative
	o adaptability
Dealing with feedback	 ability to readjust after setback
and setbacks	 accepting failure and taking steps for improvement or another
	approach
	 eliciting feedback from peers and superiors
Planning and organising	 time management
	 ability to focus and concentrate
	o goal-setting
	 future-mindedness
	 evaluating and monitoring own performance
	 self-reflection

7. Profession-specific skills

Profession-specific practical skills

Advanced technical skills such as using Adobe InDesign, video-editing, or Google Analytics or designing and implementing a communication / social media campaign. Due to the wide and innovative range of profession-specific skills the suggestions here are tentative. The constant innovation of software and the fluctuating field of social media implies that some particular skills become obsolete quickly while others need to be introduced. The general consensus is that such technical, practical skills can easily be acquired, either by proper training (either or not on-the-job) or by self-learning. This means that the competency of self-regulation, with goal-setting and the ability to identify knowledge gaps and discover how to fill those gaps, is more essential than the practical skills as such.

Students can develop these skills in some specific IBCOM courses, but also in work-related experience, internships, in thesis research, and Labour Market Orientation events such as peer-to-peer workshops, PAC events, COOPr academy, Honours Programme, etc.

Content creation & content editing	 e.g. develop a company/project story (storytelling); create and manage professional social media account.
Managing and organizing research and data	 e.g. Refworks, SPSS, transcription software
Relevant IT skills	 e.g. spreadsheets, Google Analytics

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