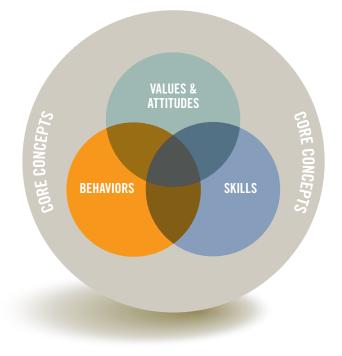
# GLOBAL COMPETENCE MATRIX

Global competence is the disposition and capacity to understand and act on issues of global significance. Globally competent individuals possess and apply the following qualities, characteristics, and abilities to learning about and engaging with the world. Educators who aspire to help students become globally competent must both develop these attributes in themselves and find ways to foster them in students.





## **CORE CONCEPTS**

- World events and global issues are complex and interdependent
- One's own culture and history is key to understanding one's relationship to others
- Multiple conditions fundamentally affect diverse global forces, events, conditions, and issues
- The current world system is shaped by historical forces



## **VALUES & ATTITUDES**

- Openness to new opportunities, ideas and ways of thinking
- · Desire to engage with others
- Self-awareness about identity & culture, & sensitivity and respect for differences
- Valuing multiple perspectives
- · Comfort with ambiguity & unfamiliar situations
- Reflection on context and meaning of our lives in relationship to something bigger
- · Question prevailing assumptions
- Adaptability and the ability to be cognitively nimble
- Empathy
- Humility



### **SKILLS**

- Investigates the world by framing questions, analyzing and synthesizing relevant evidence, and drawing reasonable conclusions that lead to further enquiry
- Recognizes, articulates, and applies an understanding of different perspectives (including his/her own)
- Selects and applies appropriate tools and strategies to communicate and collaborate effectively,
- Listens actively and engages in inclusive dialogue
- Is fluent in 21st century digital technology
- Demonstrates resiliency in new situations
- Applies critical, comparative, and creative thinking and problem solving



#### **BEHAVIORS**

- Seeks out and applies an understanding of different perspectives to problem solving and decision making
- Forms opinions based on exploration and evidence
- Commits to the process of continuous learning and reflection
- Adopts shared responsibility and takes cooperative action
- Shares knowledge and encourages discourse
- Translates ideas, concerns, and findings into appropriate and responsible individual or collaborative actions to improve conditions
- Approaches thinking and problem solving collaboratively

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