Core Abilities are global or general skills that are addressed throughout the academic experimenclegree program, whether that program is the general education A.A. Degree or any of the Career and Technical Programs Degrees.

Core Abilities transfer across context: from one course to the next, from one program to another, from EFSC to a transfer institution, and/or from EFSC to the work world. These broad abilities or skills are central to an individual's career success and growth as a lifelong learner. Students may be successful in completing their individual course work, but they will only succeed in their personal and career goals if they grow Core Abilities as well.