LinkedIn Checklist

You need to use your LinkedIn to build your online credibility which is a major differentiator.

First, optimize your profile using this checklist.

1. Custom URL

☐ Have you personalized your LinkedIn URL?

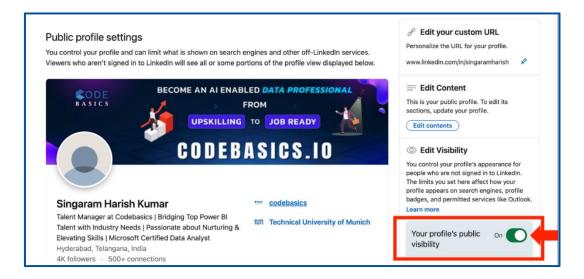
A custom URL is more memorable, professional, and easier to share. Personalize your URL to include your name clearly. (Avoid numbers and symbols) (Ex: https://www.linkedin.com/in/singaramharish/)



2. Profile Visibility

☐ Is your LinkedIn profile set to public visibility?

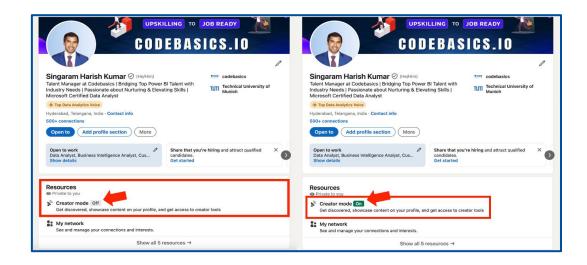
Maximizing visibility ensures your profile is accessible to recruiters and potential connections. Adjust privacy settings to make your profile visible to all LinkedIn users.



3. Creator Mode - Uses of creator mode

☐ Have you activated Creator Mode on your profile?

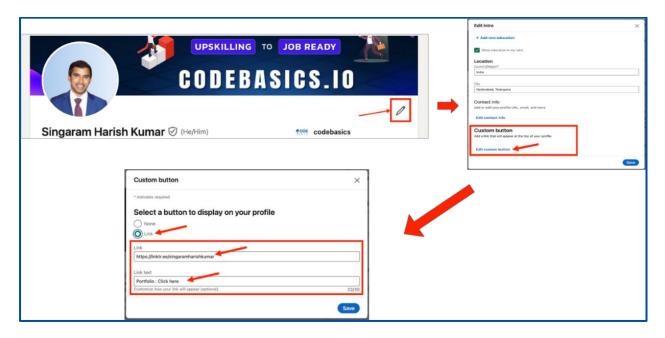
Enhances your ability to reach a wider audience and showcase your expertise. Activate creator mode and add specific links related to your work.



4. Add a Link to Your Profile (With Creator Mode On)

☐ Have you added direct links to your project portfolio in your profile?

Direct links can significantly boost your professional credibility. Add links to your personal website, portfolio, or project sites.



5. Cover Photo

☐ Does your cover photo make a strong professional impression?

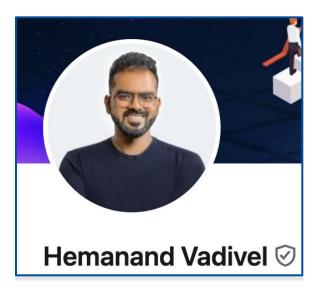
The cover photo is one of the first visual impressions on your profile. Use an industry-related image, personal branding element, or a motivational quote.



6. Profile Picture

☐ Is your profile picture clear, professional, and recent?

A clear and professional profile picture is essential for a positive first impression. Use a recent, high-quality headshot with a neutral background.



7. Headline

☐ Is your profile headline clear, concise, and keyword-optimized?

Your headline is crucial for summarizing your professional expertise. Incorporate relevant industry keywords and highlight your unique value proposition.

A quick Headline formula:

What is it exactly you do for people + your organization + achievement 1 + achievement 2 + achievement 3 + fun fact

Alternative 1:

Inspirational line that's written in your voice + contact details

Alternative 2:

What is it exactly you do for people + your occupation + inspiring line about life + CTA/contact details

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8. Featured Section

☐ Have you utilized the Featured Section to showcase your best work?

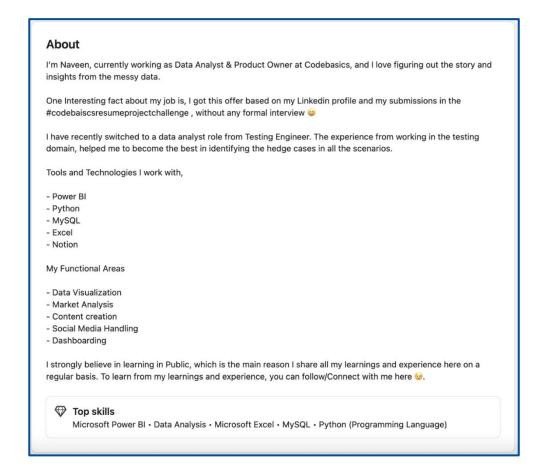
This allows you to showcase your achievements front and center. Feature articles, presentations, videos, or any other content that represents your achievements.



9. Summary (About Section)

☐ Is your LinkedIn summary engaging and reflective of your career journey?

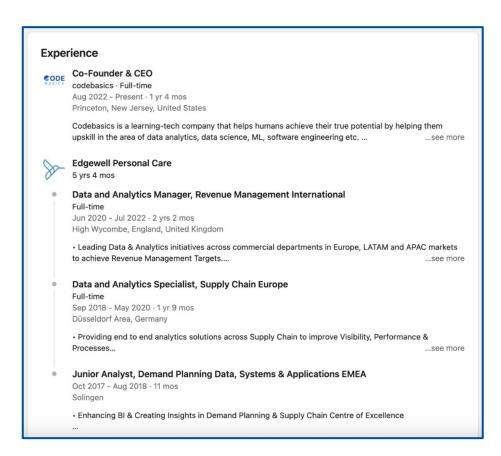
Your summary gives insight into your career journey and personality. Write in the first person, highlighting your experience, hobbies, and what makes you unique.



10. Experience

☐ Have you clearly outlined your professional experience and achievements?

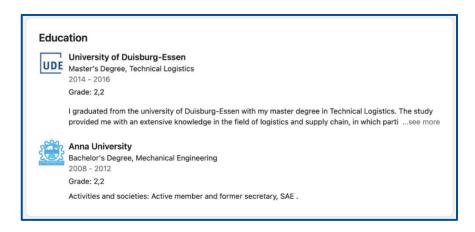
Clearly outlined experience demonstrates your career progression and skills. Focus on achievements using short, impactful sentences.



11. Education

☐ Is your educational background accurately and comprehensively listed?

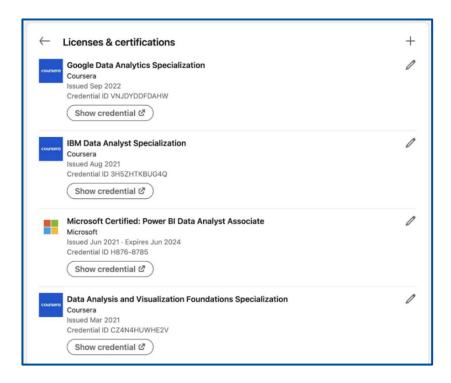
Education can lend credibility and context to your professional background. List your highest qualifications, including notable projects or activities.



12. Licenses & Certifications

☐ Have you included all relevant licenses and certifications?

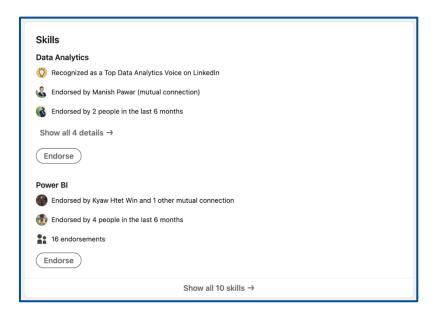
Certifications showcase your commitment to professional development. Include any relevant certifications with their issue and expiration dates.



13. Skills

☐ Are your skills up-to-date and endorsed by colleagues?

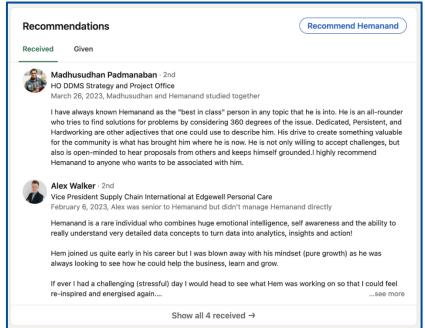
Skills are crucial for recruiters to match you with relevant opportunities. Regularly update your skills list and seek endorsements.



14. Recommendations

☐ Have you asked for and displayed recommendations from trusted connections?

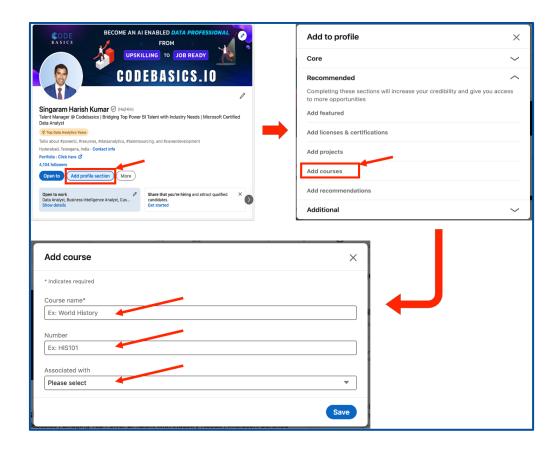
Recommendations serve as testimonials to your professional capabilities. Request recommendations and offer to write them for others.



15. Courses

☐ Have you showcased relevant courses?

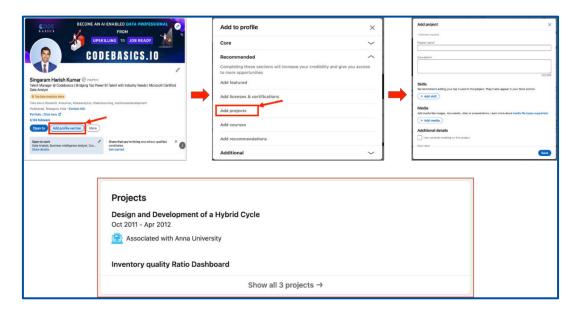
Demonstrates continuous learning and expertise in specific areas (Data Analytics). Include relevant courses with the institution and completion date.



16. Projects

☐ Have you highlighted key projects you've worked on?

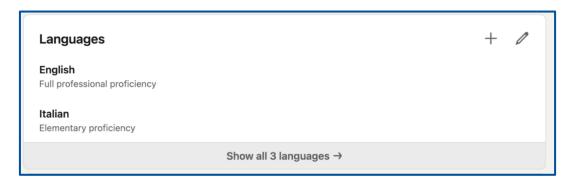
Projects illustrate your practical experience and successes. Include the title, description, and achievements of relevant projects.



17. Languages

☐ Are your language skills listed?

Language skills can be a significant asset in global and diverse workplaces. List languages you are good at.



Post Regularly on LinkedIn

You need to talk about you projects and learnings regularly on LinkedIn. If you cannot post atleast write two meaningful comments on someone's post everyday.

Asking help on LinkedIn

You can reach out to professionals on LinkedIn to get your resume reviewed or even get referrals.

Refer to this template to increase your chances -> <u>Template</u>

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I have optimized my LinkedIn profile based on the checklist
I know how to approach professionals on LinkedIn
I am active on LinkedIn and post at least twice a week
I at least make one meaningful comment a day