

# HOW TO PRESENT YOURSELF

Workshop 1 Hack your future



# INTRO

- •Who are we
- •How to present yourself online
- •How to present yourself in real life
- •Examples
- •Outro



# WHO ARE WE?

- Lorine and Laurien from AT recruitment
  - HR consultants specialized in IT and digital profiles
- What will we contribute
  - How to present yourself
  - CV training / Linked In
  - How to navigate the Belgian job market
  - Interview training



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## HOW TO PRESENT YOURSELF

ONLINE

### Must Haves

- Who are you
  - Personally: your story (soft skills)
  - Professionally: hard skills
- What are you doing right now
  - Highlight the value of HYF
    - What did you learn
    - Motivation to join
- Where do you want to go
  - Let people know what you want in the future
  - What can you contribute





ONLINE

### Nice To Haves

- Present yourself through a picture
  - o professional
- Have a tagline
  - Who are you in 1 or 2 sentences
- How can we contact you?
  - o e-mail: professional
  - o LI profile
- Link your previous work
- references?



## HOW TO PRESENT YOURSELF

### IN REAL LIFE

- Dress appropriately
- Read through company website and vacancy
- Know who you will meet
- Body language
- To the point

# OTHER TIPS TO PREP YOUR INTERVIEW

- Make sure you arrive 5-10 minutes before your interview
- Prepare your travel time/online meeting set-up
- Have an emergency contact number

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# EXAMPLES

- Examples of good and bad resumes
  - o there is NO one-size-fits-all
- Think about what the company wants to read
  - When you say you are a good communicator explain!
  - What can you add to the company vs. what I can offer
  - o Phrases to use: i excel at, i master rather than i'm good at
  - o Give examples
    - e.g. projects you worked on, internships, papers,...

### **Rob Oldnatie**

Software Developer

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### **Technical Skills**

Java, SQL, Oracle Database, PL/SQL, SQL Server, Microsoft Azure DevOps (TFS), SQL Serve, Web Technologies and Architectures (REST, JSON, XML, SOAP, HTTP), Linux, JavaScript, Python, Jira, Git, SVN, Docker.

### **Work Experience**

### Software Engineer - Tax Returns

Sep 2018 - Present

Line Corp - United States

- Led development of two separate third party interface development projects for two of our biggest clients with Microsoft and EPAM, which were completed on time with 45% cost reduction.
- Automated error handling process of our restful API services that reduced one of our clients support ticket rate by 80%.
- Designed and developed the new W4 interfaces for our existing US-based clients to provide seamless tax withholding experience with their payroll (Workday, UltiPro etc) system.
- Redesigned the SAP Concur interface for our biggest client that benefitted them by performance improvement of more than 300%.
- · Trained Developers and peer reviewed code to maintain company and industry standard.
- Technologies: Java, Oracle Database, PL/SQL, Postman, T-SQL, MS SQL Server, Azure DevOps (TFS), SQL Server Studio Management, Git.

### Software Engineer – Customer Happiness

Line Corp - United States, February 2016 – August 2018

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- Designed and developed the data receiving module of the mass transaction uploader platform which is used to pre-process and clean data before generating transaction files.
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2. Inconsistent formatting

Sloppy phrasing

### **Good CV Skills Example**



### **SKILLS**

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Commitment

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Adaptability

Patience

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Coordination

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### **Bad CV Skills Example**

### Skills

- Communication
- Organizing
- Leadership
- Negotiation
- . MS Office (Word, PowerPoint, Excel)



### **Good CV format**

#### Chloe Ferguson | Sales Assistant

Location: Exeter Telephone: 0777777777 Email: Chloe@ChloeFergus

#### Professional Profile

'Customer-focused Sales Assistant with over 6 years' experience in a high street retail setting, consistently achieving excellent sales figures'

As a proactive, confident retail professional with successful sales experience in dothing retail, I am skilled in forming relationships with customers and offering expert advice on the most appropriate products and services for their needs. I am a target-oriented individual who loves the challenge of ensuring every customer gets what they are looking for.

#### Core Skills

- Clothing retail
- Consultative sales
- Extensive product knowledge
- POS systems
- Complaint handling

#### Career Summary

#### Nov 2017 - Present

Fashion & Home Co, Exeter

Working for a high footfall home and fashion retail outlet, reporting to the Store Manager. Responsible for advising customers and processing sales across all products and services

- Key Responsibilities

  Achieve personal sales targets and KPIs, alongside supporting the store to achieve store targets Greet new and existing customers, tailoring services and selecting appropriate products to meet their needs and expectations
- . Answer the phone and help with all customer gueries and complaints, ensuring all sales enquiries
- . Manage customer complaints through to a satisfactory resolution, escalating the issue to the Store
- Manager if necessary

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  Manager the checkout including processing orders, refunds and credit notes, and processing
- transactions via both cash and card

  Manage the online ordering and reservation system, ensuring all orders are processed for collection within the advertised timescale

  Complete daily till reconciliations, reporting any discrepancies to the Store Manager and depositing
- all takings into the safe

  Design and install new and enticing merchandise displays
- Set up in-store promotions and ensure customers are reminded of any relevant offers and discourts
   Support the Store Manager with recruttment including sitting in on interviews when required
   Provide training to new members of staff, ensuring they were fully compliant with company policy
- Clearly defined sections & bold headings
- Simple font and colour scheme
- Text broken up & plenty of bullet points
- No images or distracting design features

### **Bad CV format**

### Sarah Green



#### Professional Profile

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- Unclear layout, difficult to navigate
- Elaborate font and loud colours
- Large unbroken paragraphs of text
- · Large photograph wasting space



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# QUESTIONS?