

PROJECT

Resume Review (Entry-level)

PROJECT REVIEW NOTES

Requires Changes

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Nice job so far! Unfortunately since the job you linked to is no longer available, to get your resume targeted, please provide a current and available position. Thanks and I wish you all the best:)

Targeted for Profession

- Resume is targeted to a specific job
- Resume includes keywords, experiences and skills specific to the job
- Experiences are selected to prove success in job's responsibilities
- Optional: If candidate's past experiences are not related to the job field, they may want to include an objective statement
 - o Objective statement is about 1-2 sentences
 - o Statement talks about how past experiences support new career path

Hi there! Unfortunately the job that you linked to is no longer available. Try to find another one so that we can assess how well your resume is targeted towards that particular position:



Software Development Engineer

(This job is no longer available)

Amazon | Seattle, WA

General

- Resume fits on one page
- Resume is in PDF format
- · Links are hyperlinked
- Resume uses one of the following standard orders:
 - Heading, Skills, Projects, Experience, Education
 - o Heading, Education, Skills, Projects, Experience
- Spelling and grammar are correct
- Resume does not include: age, gender, marital status, photo, or mention of references
- Resume does not include negative language
- Resume does not indicate that the candidate is seeking a job because this may be extraneous or redundant information
- All text is aligned to left and/or right axis
- Company name and title are emphasized/distinct
- Content optimized for horizontal space; resume uses space well for a reader reading from top to bottom
- Lists of single words are condensed to the same line
- Section headings are distinct from other text
- Name is at the top of the page and larger than other text

• Formatting is consistent, from section headers to bullet point alignment

Heading

- Heading includes: full name, phone number, email and location
- Student should include links to their LinkedIn, GitHub and/or personal website; recommended: professional Twitter or other social media accounts

Education

- Nanodegree program included, even if incomplete
- Any college, including major or courses, are included
- If applicable, relevant courses (from university, community college, online, etc.) are listed

Skills

- Relevant and challenging technologies are listed: programming languages, frameworks, version control systems, databases, operating systems, image/video/audio editing software, etc.
- If resume displays a wide range of skills, student notes which skills are of particular expertise

Your Skills section looks pretty good. A few thoughts:

- 1. When you've found a new job posting to apply to, make sure that you are taking steps to ensure that you've targeted the list of skills for the particular position.
- 2. While your "Soft Skills" category is nice, it is much better to *show* the reader those types of skills through the descriptions of your work, rather than listing as skills. This is in part because soft skills are somewhat objective.

Projects

- Only most relevant projects are listed; can include personal, academic or work projects
- Only includes about 2-3 projects

Nice work on your Projects list. A couple of thoughts:

- 1. Make sure the projects you list are relevant to the job you ultimately apply to.
- 2. Try to provide hyperlinks to each of the projects, if possible.
- Maximum 2-3 bullet points per project
- At least 1 bullet point demonstrates individual contribution
- At least 1 bullet point communicates project result (success metrics, findings)

You've got a good start on your project bullet points; however, I think there are still some things to work on.

You must provide details on *how* you contributed to the project. Currently, you use a 2 bullet point format where you discuss at a very high level, which component or team you worked on, and what stage of completion you are at with each project. Instead, you need to tell the reader with more specific detail, what you specifically contributed and what technologies you used for each project. And, instead of telling the reader what stage of completion you're at, try to tell him/her about any objective measure of the success of the project. You can even discuss how long it took you, for example, to put together the front-end of the Blogger project.

Perhaps the best way to drive the point home is to show you an example Projects section. Notice how the one below gives the reader a good sense for the student's technical abilities? That's what we should convey through your

Project Experience

Neighborhood Map - mysite.qithub.io/frontend-nanodegree-neighborhood-map

December 2014

- Single-page, responsive application built with Knockout.js framework and hosted on GitHub Pages.
- Developed a full-page map that loads with 20 popular bars and restaurants in Boston, MA.
- User can view recent pictures taken at each location (retrieved by AJAX request to Instagram API).

Arcade Game Clone - *musite.qithub.io/frontend-nanodegree-arcade-game*

November 2014

- Clone of the classic game, Frogger. Udacity provided the art assets and game engine.
- Coded player, enemies, and other game entities in JavaScript's object-oriented pseudo-classical style.
- Created enemy subclasses with different movement patterns and sprites (edited art assets in GIMP).

Website Optimization - <u>mysite.github.io/frontend-nanodegree-mobile-portfolio</u>

November 2014

- Optimized critical rendering path of existing website to achieve PageSpeed Insights score above 90.
- Eliminated inefficiencies in the website's scroll animation. Site now scrolls at 60 frames per second.

Duct Sizer - <u>duct-sizer.appspot.com</u>

September 2014

- Created a responsive, single-page application to perform an HVAC engineering calculation.
- Reduced time for repetitive calculation, giving engineers more time to focus on problem-solving.

Experience

- Experiences note company/organization, title of role, start and end date (month & year), location
- Includes unpaid or part-time work, if applicable, but omits the words "part-time" and "unpaid"

Make sure you list your jobs in reverse chronological order.

- Maximum 3-4 bullet points
- No sub-bullet points
- Bullet points start with action verbs
- Correct tense is used in bullet points: past tense for previous, current tense for ongoing
- Within each job listing:
 - o At least 1 bullet point communicates how candidate benefited company or cause

- At least 1 bullet point provides concrete, numerical evidence such as projects completed, money made, people managed, accomplishments (eg. % increase)
- Bullet points are one sentence maximum, not longer than one and a half lines

Without knowing more about the job that you will be applying to, it's hard to assess the effectiveness of your bullet points. Here are a few suggestions:

- 1. Update the grammar of your bullet points as follows:
 - Developing software for non-profit organizations to help them reach a wider audience.
 - Working with a 15+ member team to design and develop several projects.
- 2. Remember to always read your bullet points from the perspective of the employer. Are you discussing things that are related to what the employer is looking for as indicated in the job posting? Have you provided adequate detail to give the reader confidence that you can do the work, or are at least hard working enough to learn the skills necessary? Thinking in this manner about what the employer is looking for can really help make a good impression on him/her.

☑ RESUBMIT PROJECT





Best practices for your project resubmission

Ben shares 5 helpful tips to get you through revising and resubmitting your project.

• Watch Video (3:01)