

### 1. What is ATS?

Applicant Tracking System or ATS is job application software used by the employers to automatically filter resumes based on specific keywords or criteria.

### 2. What is its significance?

Getting a job generally involves job listings posted by companies where applicants can apply using their resumes and after application reviews they can attend a job interview.

Companies get thousands of applications on a regular basis and it is a hassle to go through so many of them manually. A software such as ATS trivializes the application review process so that both companies and applicants can proceed to the actual important part i.e job interview.

### 3. How to make a resume ATS friendly?

- a. Use fewer colors and stick to a single column format.
- b. Make sure the resume is saved in the correct file format.(docx, pdf.)
- c. Ensure skills listed in the resume include keywords mentioned in the job description.
- d. Be specific when listing the skills rather than being descriptive
- e. Use both short forms and full forms of technologies, tools etc.
- f. Check ATS score of the resume using an online ATS score checker and make necessary adjustments to improve the score.

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