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Resume Writing Guide

HOW TO CRAFT A 6 FIGURE CODING RESUME

To land that dream 6 figure job, you'll need your resume and linked in profile to grab the attention of hiring managers and recruiters. Job seekers have spent <u>years</u> applying for jobs because they miss out on these keywords to land their interviews. Don't make the same mistake -- ensure your resume gets looked at by the right people by including these simple buzzwords on your resume and linked in profile!

Tips

- Quality over quantity. Focus on the impact and results of the projects you've done, not how many. Use the X-Y-Z technique to describe your experience. Google describes this as "Accomplished [X] as measured by [Y], by doing [Z]."
- Avoid listing languages and technologies. Mention specific technology in the context of what you've done with it following the X-Y-Z format above.
- Share your resume as a readable PDF, no more than 1-2 pages. People reviewing resumes will be looking at A LOT of them, for 7-8 seconds each, and they will appreciate you making their life easier. Usually, the most important facts about us from a hiring manager's perspective can be simplified into 1 page, maybe 2 if you have a lot of relevant work experience. Use black text on a white background, following a standard format of boldfaced headings & bullets. Make the information easy to skim bold face descriptive titles with regular typeface descriptions as short phrases like you would include in a presentation. Keep the font sizes to 11 or 12 point and larger your resume may be read by someone with poorer eyesight than you (they could have been looking at screens longer). Always proofread & check for typos.
- **Do include your contact information**: name, e-mail address, github profile, and if you have one, hacker rank or leet code profile URL.
- Don't include an objective. If you applied for the job, your objective is the job.
- **Be strategic**. Don't submit the same resume everywhere, go the extra mile and customize your resume to the job. Read the description, and pick out the keywords they're looking for. Use those words in your headings and descriptions. Reorder your experience to better align with what the job is looking for.
- **Don't go in cold**. If you can, try to find a connection with someone in the company (think warm). Search facebook and linked in to see if there is a friend of a friend who might know someone at the company you're applying to. Do you have any mentors with that might be able to recommend you?

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Use these words when describing your projects & experience.

DO INCLUDE

- Technologies in the context of what you've done with them
- Aligned
- Analyzed
- Arranged
- Assessed
- Clarified
- Classified
- Collaborated
- Compiled
- Consolidated
- Constructed
- Corresponded
- Cooperated
- Create
- Delivered
- Demonstrated
- Deployed
- Designed
- Developed
- Directed
- Established
- Executed
- Explored
- Furthered
- Guided
- Integrated
- Investigated
- Launched
- Led
- Maximized
- Negotiated
- Overhauled
- Redesigned

- Reduced
- Refined
- Scalable
- Streamlined
- Supported
- Tested
- Transformed

DON'T INCLUDE

- Any technologies you couldn't answer questions about in an interview!
- Achieved
- Assisted
- Created
- Communicated
- Decreased
- Hard
- Increased
- Improved
- Experienced
- Learned
- Led
- Managed
- Qualified
- References Available
- Responsible for
- Results-driven
- Researched
- Responsible
- Skilled
- Seasoned
- Updated
- Utilized
- Worked on

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Use these words when describing your projects & experience. You'll want to focus on a niche you're passionate about, and then explore how you can spin your prior project experience to fit some of these tech trends. We recommend you target 3-6 ideal job ads, note the trends of what they're asking for, and then focus on how to include those topics in your resume. Remember, work smarter not harder!

Tech Topics

- Actionable Analytics
- Al (Artificial Intelligence)
- Architecture
- Everything as a service (XaaS, SaaS)
- Back-end or full stack*
- Big Data
- Blockchain
- Business Intelligence
- Chatbots
- Classification
- Cloud-Native Platforms (CNPs)
- Complex Problem Solving (CPS)
- Containers (Docker, Kubernetes)
- Continuous Integration
- Cybersecurity Mesh (CSMA)
- Data Analytics
- Data Science
- DevOps
- Distributed Cloud
- Front-end
- Graphical User Interface (GUI)
- Extended Reality (XR, AR augmented, VR - virtual)

- Hyperautomation
- Image Recognition
- IoT (Internet of Things)
- ML (Machine Learning)
- Net Neutrality
- No SQL
- Over-the-Top (OTT)
- Quantum Computing
- Robotics
- SQL
- Smart Industry 4.0
- Test Framework
- Virtual Reality
- UI (User Interface)
- UX (User Experience = UI + Research Validation)
- Version Control (branching, pull requests)
- Voice-as-User Interface (VUI)
- Voice Recognition
- Web 3.0
- X-functional (cross-functional)

^{*} As web technologies become more complex, some debate that full stack is a rarely attained chimera.