

Writing your CV and Cover Letter

Part 1 CVs

A Curriculum Vitae, or resumé, is a succinct “advertisement” of your talents.

Questions to ask yourself:

- 1) Does it reflect you and your personality?
- 2) Are your strengths seen between the lines?
- 3) Is the layout clear?
- 4) Can the reader understand
 - a) Your job title?
 - b) **Where** you worked ?
 - c) **When** you worked there ?
 - d) **Who** your manager or supervisor was?
 - e) What **you** did and the **competence** you achieved?
 - f) Your qualifications
 - g) Your interests or hobbies?

Task 1

Notice that both the following CVs are 1 page long. Why do you think so?

Evaluate them for 5 minutes according to the criteria above.

Which do you think is closer to your personality? Why?

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Objective: A junior position in Computer Framework design

Education

2014-2019 **Master's degree in Computer Science, Intelligent Systems** *Ecole International des Sciences du Traitement Informatique (EISTI) Cergy-Pontoise, France*

2012-2014 **Bachelor's degree in Mathematics** *University of Oklahoma* Oklahoma City, Oklahoma
Sigma cum laude

2010-2012 **Post-secondary preparatory school** Warren High School, Downey, California.
Preparation for competitive examinations for entering engineering school. Studies in Mathematics, Physics and Computer Science.

2010 **High school Baccalaureat (A levels) in Science** *Lycée Internationale de Nassau, Bahamas* Summa cum laude European distinction in Russian

Experience
2014 **Corporate Research Intern** *Alstom Atlantic Noodles sur Seine April to September*

2013 **Business Intelligence Intern** *Honolulu Hula Promotion Association* Honolulu, Hawaii
June-July
Goal: Promote Hula dancing as a means of international communication through an interactive website
Approach C++ to inverted algorithms
Applications Data mining of international negotiations via native dance ceremonies

2013-2014 **Financial Director**
University of Oklahoma Student Union

Scientific Projects

2014 **Data Analysis** *Statistical Learning, neuronal network, SVM, bagging boosting, Weka, SciLab, Java NNS*

2013 **Statistical Research** *Conjoint Analysis prototype for the ASKIA group, analyzing blood types in opinion polls* *SciLab*

2013 **Good data project** *Data classification (Bayes k-means) performance comparison*

Foreign Languages

French Advanced 289/995 TOFIC

German Advanced European B-2 level with distinction on A-levels

Zulu Beginner Basic understanding of intonation

Computing Skills

Software MSOffice; MSProject; MSSQL Messenger; Weka

Languages C/C++, Java, R, Python, SQL, UML, XML, XSL, SciLab, IntoC, ZipQ2

Data Science Skills

Concepts Artificial Intelligence, Web Mining, Parallel Programming, Design Pattern

Mathematics Machine Learning, Optimization, Probabilities, Predicative Modeling

Culture Macro/micro economy, marketing, business law

Interests

Sports Skiing, Hula dancing, running

Travels Morocco, Russia, Botswana, Ireland

Graphic Designer

Skills

- ✓ Your first skill
- ✓ Your second skill
- ✓ Your third skill
- ✓ Another great skill
- ✓ And another one
- ✓ And the last one

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Profile

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Experience

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Company Name // Position (2008 > 2010)

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Company Name // Position (2005 > 2008)

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Education

School Name (2002 > 2005)

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School Name (2000 > 2002)

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Below are some English equivalents for French qualifications:

Honors

Summa cum laude	Félicitations du jury
Magna cum laude	Mention assez bien
With honors	Mention Assez / Très bien

Brevet des collèges:

- (UK) – GCSE'S under C Grade (General Certificate of Secondary Education)
- (UK) – GNVQ Intermediate (General National Vocational Qualification)
- (US) – 9 th Grade

CAP:

- (UK) – Youth Training (NVQ – National Vocational Qualification – Level 1, 2)
- (US) – Pas d'équivalence de diplôme. Peut-être expliqué comme ceci: « Vocational certificate obtained 2 years after the 8th grade »

BEP:

- (UK) – BTEC First Diploma (Business and Technology Education Council)
- (UK) – GNVQ foundation (NVQ Level 1)
- (US) – Pas d'équivalence de diplôme. Peut-être expliqué comme ceci: « Vocational certificate obtained 2 years after the 9th grade »

Baccalauréat général: (French secondary school diploma/ high-school degree)

- (UK) – A Levels
- (US) – High-School Diploma/Degree

Baccalauréat technologique ou bac professionnel:

- (UK) – BTEC National
- (UK) – GNVQ Advanced
- (US) – Pas d'équivalent

Matières dominantes: major

BTS: (two-year technical degree in ...)

- (UK) – BTEC HND (Higher National Diploma)
- (US) – 12th Grade

DEUG (two-year university degree in...)/

DEUST (two-year university program leading to a degree in biology, computer programming,...)/

DUT (two-year university degree in technology) :

- (UK) – Diploma of Higher Education
- (US) – Associate of Arts (or Science) Degree

IUT: university institute of technology

Classes préparatoires: undergraduate courses in preparation for nationwide competitive exams in liberal arts, economics or sciences

Ecoles supérieurs de commerce: business schools

Ecole d'ingénieurs: engineering schools

Licence: (three-year university degree in history, economics, political science, ...)

Licence dans un domaine littéraire: BA Degree (Bachelor of Arts) in... / Bachelor of Arts (B.A.) in...

Licence dans un domaine scientifique: BSC Degree (Bachelor of Science) in... / Bachelor of Science (B.S.) in...

Master 1/ Maîtrise:

- (UK) – MA (Master of Arts) / MSC (Master of Science)
- (US) - Master's degree

Master 2 / DEA: one-year degree before postgraduate studies

(UK and US)

Master dans un domaine littéraire: MA (Master of Arts) in...

Master dans un domaine scientifique: MSC (Master of Science) in...

Master dans les affaires: MBA (Master of Business Administration)

Doctorat:

- (UK and US) – Phd (Doctor of Philosophy)

Mémoire de fin d'études:

- (UK) – dissertation

- (US) – memoir

Mémoire de stage:

- (UK) – internship dissertation

- (US) – internship memoir

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