2024 Résumé Guide

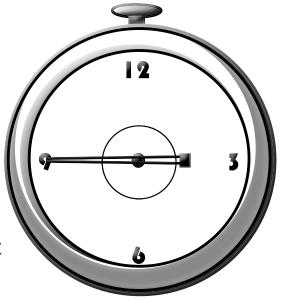
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Résumé Guide

A 5-second countdown begins when an employer picks up your résumé...

Make an impact!

by Margaret Krantz





Tailoring your Résumé Building a Bridge from Your Past to Your Future

4. Convert the exercise into a résumé. Using STAR (Situation/Task, Action, Results) phrasing, Action: Beginning with the most recent, record each job or activity appearing in #3 above, listing under it the tasks that appear beside it in #2, focusing on the "**A**ctions" you took that relate to your future goal. See "Turn your Notes into a Résumé," page 6; "Great Verbs for Résumés," page 7; and "Résumé Formatting Tips," page 8, for further tips on composing and formatting your résumé.



5. Results: add your accomplishments for each activity:

Prove you have been an excellent employee. What were the outcomes or "**R**esults" of all your efforts? Were you named Employee of the Month? All conference? Did you increase the participation in an event, raise more money or impact someone's life or future? Include at least three such results on your résumé.

Tailoring Your Résumé

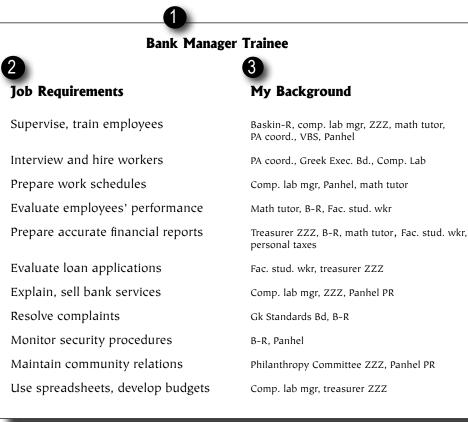
 Write your immediate job or internship objective on the form to your left. This step is essential; do not skip it! If you have more than one objective, do this exercise for each.

2. In column 2, list at least ten specific tasks done regularly on that job. If you need help in identifying appropriate tasks, come to the Career Center for assistance, or go to onetonline.org.

3. In column 3, list each job or activity you have had which required you to perform a task related to the one listed. Draw from anything in your background at this point. Be creative and thorough; you can omit things later if they are too farfetched.

4. Convert this information into the relevant sections of your résumé.

5. Add your successes and results.



RELATED Computer Laboratory Manager, Hanover College, 2022 – Present EXPERIENCE • Train and supervise staff of eight; prepare work schedules. • Explain services and assist students in using facility. • Maintain familiarity with software including Microsoft Excel and Word. • Oversee staff with lowest absentee rate in 5 years. Treasurer, Zeta Zeta Zeta Sorority, 2022 – 2023 • Developed and oversaw \$50,000 annual budget; oversaw budget committee. • Kept accurate financial records using spreadsheet; processed accounts payable and receivable. • Balanced budget and recovered 50% of fees overdue from past years. Math Tutor, Hanover College, 2021 – 2022 • Tutored 2 students in pre-calculus and calculus, evaluated performances, identified and addressed problems areas. • Students improved grades from failing to passing by term's end. Math Department Student Worker, Hanover College, 2021 – 2022 • Graded calculus exams and recorded grades accurately in Excel. Counter Clerk, Baskin-Robbins, Summers 2021, 2022 • Trained three new employees; given increase in wages and responsibility second summer. ACTIVITIES Peer Advisor Coordinator, Hanover College, 2022 – 2023 • Interviewed 100 applicants to fill 50 leadership positions. Member, Community Board of Standards, 2023 Public Relations Committee, Panhellenic Council 2022

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⁴Choosing Your Style

The range of acceptable résumé formats is broad; your choice should be determined by the types of information you are trying to highlight — or hide — in your résumé. Online contact information: Give only phone and email.

Common styles include:

Composite (See examples in the Career Center)

Format

• Organizes information by skill clusters followed by a work experience section listing job title, company, and employment dates.

Advantages

• Combines the functional and chronological formats to give employers the work history they prefer, but in a format that makes the relatedness of your skills more obvious.

Chronological

(See examples on pages 9 - 13, 15 - 18)

Format

- Job history is given in reverse chronological order, describing only the tasks that relate to job goal.
- Includes date of employment, job titles, and duties and results related to the career goal.

Advantages

- The most common format, therefore the most easily followed and understood by employers.
- Makes the relatedness of your background immediately apparent.

Keywords and Phrases

As you write your résumé, be sure to focus on the skills and experience you have that your employer seeks. The terms below will give you an idea of the emphases for a variety of fields. To find additional keywords targeted by electronic résumé scanners, search for your field on the Internet or use the resources in the Career Center.

General Work Traits

Dedicated; Integrity; Accurate; Adapt; Innovative; Leadership; Independent; Delegate; Implement; Interpersonal and communication skills; Writing; Organizational skills; Persuasive; Problem solving; Results-oriented; Eager to learn; Flexible; Attention to detail; Analytical; High energy; Able to set and achieve goals; Work ethic

Accounting

Compile and analyze financial information; Allocate budget; Invoice; Document business transactions; Assess risk; QuickBooks; Audit; Ledger; Conduct inventory; Compute; Budget; Organize accounting procedures; Examine records; Prepare financial statements; Accounts payable; Spreadsheet; Treasurer; Money; Accuracy; Attention to detail; IRS

Advertising Copywriting

Write, edit and layout publications; Adobe Creative Suite; Graphic design; Promote sales; Write content; Consult with colleagues; Web research; Sell; Persuade; Review advertising trends; Correct and revise text; Social media; Project management; Statistics

Athletic Training

Evaluate injuries; Apply first aid; Recommend exercises; Emergency; Document injuries and interventions; Handle crises; Policies; Clinic; Train; Work long hours; Develop and supervise rehab programs; Counsel about proper nutrition; Eating disorders

Coaching

Develop and run drills and practices; Recruit and motivate athletes; Records; Schedule games; Travel; Set-up training schedules; Select teams and players; Plan strategies; Teach techniques and teamwork; Analysis; Youth; Psychology

Computers

SQL; Visual Studio; Java; C; C++; Digital/Social Media; Network; Python; Internet; System audit; Web technologies; ColdFusion; CSS; Analyze systems; Provide software support; Answer technical questions; Repair hardware; Database management; Coding; Security; Risk assessment; Computer Science major

Environmental Careers

Collect samples; Promote sustainable practices; Develop research methods; Collect and analyze data; Public safety; Assess; Use sampling and measurement devices; Conduct regulatory audits; Plan; Identify, measure, and evaluate environmental impact and hazards; Interpret lab results; Work in field

Engineering

Plan; Project management; Structural design; Efficiency; CAD; Data; Schematics; Client consultation; Quality control; MATLAB; Technology; Troubleshoot; Resolve complaints; Prototype; Testing; Budget estimation; Math; Attention to detail; Statistics

Finance, Securities

Financial and strategic planning; Data; Manage risk; Analyze financial status; Buy and sell securities; Determine assets, liabilities, and cash flow; Review and analyze financial data; Analyze company financial statements; Interpret data concerning price, yield, stability,

Applicant Tracking System

(See example on page 14)

Format rules you should follow:

- Put your name by itself at the top.
- Load your résumé with keywords.
- Use broader job titles and common headings.
- Use a plain font (e.g. Calibri, Arial).
- Use a font size of 10 14 point.
- Use a minimum of 1" margins.
- Use clear dates: "March 2021" or "03/2021"
- Avoid italics, underlining and shadows.
- Avoid boldface if letters touch each other.
- Avoid special characters and lines.
- Avoid multiple columns even for headings.
- Avoid undefined terms such as "Summer."
- Save as plain text (.txt); check conversion.

Advantages

• Allows recruiters to search based on qualifications. Gives access to major firms.

Keywords and Phrases (continued)

and future trends; Summarize data describing trends; Create charts and graphs to illustrate reports; Treasurer; Spreadsheet; Budget; QuickBooks

Journalism, Editing

Pitch story leads; Proofread; Edit; Blog; Layout; Evaluate information; Interview sources; Confidentiality; Photo editing; Cover events; Organize ideas; News; Features; Opinions; Investigate tips; Write; Meet deadlines; Verify facts; Research leads; Attention to detail; QuarkXPress; Adobe InDesign; Travel

Laboratory Science

Compile and analyze information; Conduct experiments; Write technical reports; Interpret results; Set up lab equipment; HPLC, UV-Vis, NMR/ IR; Document results; Describe observations and conclusions; Use proper instrumentation and procedures; Analyze data using computers

Law Enforcement

Maintain public safety; Enforce rules or laws; Risk management; Security guard; Train in self-defense; Maintain personal fitness; Patrol; Render first aid; Arrest violators; Monitor safety; Write reports; Collect evidence; Prepare cases; Testify

Management

Hire, fire, train, schedule, supervise employees; Evaluate performances; Motivate staff; Develop and allocate budget; Resolve complaints; Recruit; Labor relations; Communication skills; Set and achieve goals; Interview; Performance appraisals; Coordinate; Negotiate; Organization; Ethics; Leadership; Management experience; Consult; Teamwork; Initiative; Advocate

Marketing and Public Relations

Write and edit press releases; Contact media; Meet deadlines; Promote and represent organization to public; Plan strategies; Write articles; Develop press kits, bulletins, sales letters, speeches, and promotional material; Brand; Market research; Strategic campaign;

Math, Actuarial Science, Statistics

Conduct research; Statistical analysis; Data; Regression; Conceive and develop ideas for application of mathematics; Perform computations; Construct probability tables; Use sampling techniques or complete enumeration bases; Evaluate reliability of source information; Plan methods to collect data; Develop questionnaire techniques; Business strategies

Functional Skills (See examples in the Career Center)

Format

- Transferable skills are clustered by the three or four most important skill areas of your job or internship goal (e.g., communication, planning, managing, budgeting, counseling, teaching, coaching, etc).
- Omit job title, employer name, and employment date.

Advantages

- Used when targeting a field not obviously supported by your work history and education by separating related transferable skills from unrelated job titles.
- Emphasizes skills supporting a particular objective.

Note: Employers generally do not like this style, finding it difficult to gain the information they need.

Museum Staff

Preserve, classify objects; Plan and direct educational programming; Speak to public; Coordinate and lead activities; Train and schedule volunteers; Develop materials; Plan and prepare exhibits and displays; Work with children; Set policies; design exhibits; Conduct tours; Civic events

Sales

Sell; Persuade; Negotiate; Speak; Goals; Profit; Close deal; Set and attain goals; Travel; Cover territory; Customer relationships; Strategies; Account; Sales promotion activities; Product knowledge; (focus on *results* of efforts)

Social Service

Counsel clients; Document client progress; Write treatment plans; Lead groups; Conduct interviews; Work with ancillary agencies; Work in team; Refer clients; Volunteer; Coordinate; Evaluate; Observe behaviors; Advocate; Socioeconomic group; Populations; Case load; Disability; Mental health; Activities of daily living; Least restrictive environment; Behavioral analysis; Crisis

Teaching

(See Teacher Résumé Guide)

Putting It All Together

Location, Location, Location!

English is read from left to right, top to bottom, so the left margin and top of each section of your résumé is given the most attention by the reader. Try to place the most important section, job, or task first so that it will get the attention it deserves.

Turn your Notes into a Résumé:

- Use the exercise on page 2 to learn exactly what an employer in your field is seeking and to identify your own related skills and experience.
- Choose the style of résumé that's right for you, using the overview boxes on pp. 4 5. Select the key words (pp. 4 5) and verbs (page 7) that you wish to include in your résumé.
- Include a profile that is clear and focused, then list your greatest asset (for college students, it is your education). Go on to your next greatest strength: if you have strong, related experience, list it next, starting with the most recent position you've had (paid or unpaid), including bullets that are relevant to your goal. If your leadership is stronger, start with that. Whenever possible, add accomplishments to your bullets, better still with quantities. If your formal experience (both work and leadership) is weak, see tips on page 10 for possible information to include.
- Add other sections in order of their relevance to your goal.
- Be consistent: if you list your job title, employer's name, and employment date, in that order, for one job do so for all.
- One page or two? Employers are more flexible on this point than in the past; therefore, it is your job to ensure all information you include is relevant. Never exceed two pages.

Include:

- Industry-specific keywords that relate to your career goal throughout your document.
- Cell phone number (be sure that your voice mail message is clear and won't embarrass you).
- Unusual activities you've done, especially offcampus study, travel, research grants, independent study, volunteering.
- Special skills including computer abilities, foreign language skills, and leadership background.
- Grade point average if it is over 3.0. If it falls below that mark, calculate your major GPA and include it if it is above 3.0.

Appearance Matters:

- DO **NOT** USE A TEMPLATE, or "wizard." Employers tell us they thing they make you look either stupid or lazy!
- Use a clear, legible font (e.g. Times New Roman, or Calibri). Avoid ornate fonts, which are difficult to read.
- Use 11 or 12 point font size for the entire text except your name, which can be emphasized through 16 or 18 point lettering.
- Use bold, italics or uppercase for emphasis but avoid underlining, which is difficult to skim.
- Create bullets using the tips on the back page of this guide. Leave one space after each bullet, then begin the first word with a capital letter.
- Add one space before and after every dash that stands for a word like "through" or "to" as in 2023 – Present. (Do not do this in other cases, as in phone numbers or in hyphenated words like "entry-level.") All your hyphens in your dates should match each other. When you type "2023 – Present" with the spaces around the hyphen to begin with, MS Word converts it to an en-dash (wider and thinner). If you forget the spaces at first and add them later, it will stay a normal hyphen: "2023 – Present."
- Print each hardcopy out individually on a laser printer on good quality paper of a conservative color (white or ivory).
- See page 8 for further résumé-formatting tips.

Omit:

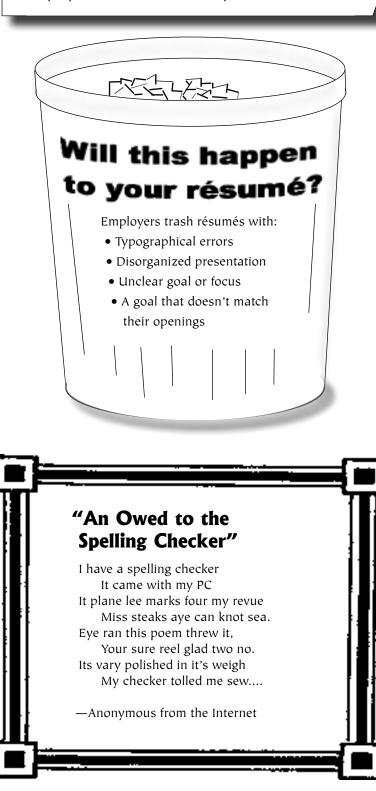
- Pronouns, articles, and subjective adjectives (e.g. "warm" atmosphere).
- Information that is not related to your goal (see exercise on pp. 2 3).
- Personal information such as height, weight, health, marital status, and social security number.
- Specific references to political parties unless applying to work for that party. Limit references to religious or greek organizations unless you are applying to work specifically for them.
- The word "duties." (Instead, use "Responsibilities.")

Personalize This List!

Using 2 different colored pens, highlight:

- Verbs describing your own work experience, and
- Verbs required by your career goal.

Then include the verbs that overlap on your résumé using simple present tense for roles you still have and simple past for those that are complete.



Great Verbs for Résumés

Accomplished Acquired Adapted Addressed Administered Advertised Advised Allocated Analyzed Appraised Approved Arbitrated Arranged Assessed Assigned Audited Authored Balanced Boosted Briefed Budgeted Calculated Chaired Clarified Coached Collaborated Collected Communicated Compiled Composed Computed Conducted Configured Consulted Contracted Convinced Cooperated Coordinated Corresponded Counseled Created Critiqued Decided Delegated Demonstrated Designed Determined Developed Devised Directed Discovered Documented Drafted

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Persuaded Planned Prepared Presented Processed Procured Produced Programmed Projected Promoted Proposed Protected Provided Publicized Published Purchased Recommended Reconstructed Recruited Referred Released Reported Represented Researched Reviewed Revised Revitalized Scheduled Screened Secured Selected Set up Sold Solved Solicited Spoke Stimulated Strengthened Succeeded Summarized Supervised Surveyed Synthesized Systematized Taught Tested Trained Translated Tutored Updated Upgraded Verified

Wrote

Résumé Formatting Tricks

The résumé on page 9, opposite, is filled with devices to draw the attention of the reader, as is illustrated below. Incorporate these techniques into your résumé to ensure it has the impact you desire.

The Hot Zone

We read English from top to bottom and from left to right. Therefore, to emphasize key ideas, place them near the top left, as in the example to the right.

Order your bulleted tasks by beginning and ending with the two most related to your goal. Most readers are more likely to notice and remember the first and last items in any list, so if they are only skimming, you will still make your point effectively. (Note that jobs, etc., must be in reverse chronological order.)

Intern, Louisville Courier-Journal, Summer 2023

- Wrote copy for sales materials, in-paper promotional advertising, advertisers' newsletter and other marketing materials
- Proofread and edited copy, responsible for layout
- Researched in-paper campaigns, participated in development of creative concepts, wrote copy for campaigns
- · Developed newsletter topic ideas

News Editor, The Hanover College Triangle, 2022 – 2023

- Assigned stories to reporters and wrote copy on QuarkXpress
- Oversaw layout and editing of news section; motivated staff
 Developed story ideas as a team member
- · Developed story ideas as a team member

Length

The more space you spend describing an activity, the more you ensure that the reader will notice it and the more important the activity will seem. Be sure only to describe those things readers need to know to decide to hire you for their position.

· Skilled in using Adobe InDesign, QuarkXpress and Microsoft Word

- Able to meet deadlines and to work under time constraints
- Have written over 75 research papers at least 5 pages in length

Intern, Louisville Courier-Journal, Summer 2023

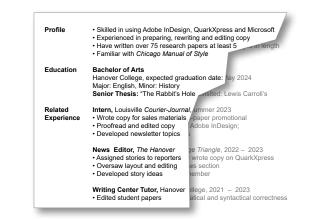
Wrote copy for sales materials, in-paper promotional advertising, advertisers' newsletter and other marketing materials

• Proofread and edited copy using InDesign; responsible for layout

News Editor, The Hanover College Triangle, 2022 – 2023 • Assigned stories to reporters and wrote copy using QuarkXpress

Consistency

Choose a style and stick with it. Your heading for each job should give the same information in the same order with the same punctuation in each case. Watch details such as matching dashes, consistent use of commas to separate information, and final periods.



Visual Accents

Visual accents are like seasoning in a bland dish: they add appeal, but only if used with restraint and balance. Draw attention to key points through use of:

- bullets,
- boldface type, and

• uncommon punctuation (quotation marks, etc). Break up text blocks with white space and bold type. Note: See the back cover for tips on making bullets that don't include problematic formatting.

Intern, Louisville Courier-Journal, Summer 2023

- Wrote copy for sales materials, in-paper promotional advertising, advertisers' newsletter and other marketing materials
- Proofread and edited copy, responsible for layout
- Researched in-paper campaigns, participated in development of creative concepts, wrote copy for campaigns
- Developed newsletter topic ideas

News Editor, The Hanover College Triangle, 2022 – 2023

- · Assigned stories to reporters and wrote copy
- Responsible for layout and editing of news section

Repetition

Like a hammer pounding a nail, repetition drives your point home. Be sure to restate your strengths in varying ways whenever possible, while avoiding repetition of things not related to the position. Bear in mind that referring to any skill twice emphasizes it; adding a third mention of it makes it a focal point.

Intern, Louisville Courier-Journal, Summer 2023

News Editor, The Hanover College Triangle, 2022 - 2023

Learning Center Tutor, Hanover College, 2021 - 2023

Editor-in-Chief, The Jetstream, 2019 - 2020

Charles A. Dodgson

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- Profile Skilled in using Adobe InDesign, QuarkXpress and Microsoft Word
 - Able to meet deadlines and to work under time constraints
 - Experienced in preparing, rewriting and editing copy
 - Have written over 75 research papers at least 5 pages in length
 - Familiar with Chicago Manual of Style

Education	Bachelor of Arts
	Hanover College, expected graduation date: May 2024
	Major: English, Minor: History
	Senior Thesis: "The Rabbit's Hole Revisited: Lewis Carroll's Alice in Wonderland
	after One Hundred Years."
	 Researched, wrote and edited 80-page paper; presented research to Butler
	Undergraduate Research Conference
	Richter Independent Research Grant: Poetry in British Pubs, London, 2023

Editing Intern, Louisville *Courier-Journal*, Summer 2023

- **Experience** Wrote copy for sales materials, in-paper promotional advertising, advertisers' newsletter and other marketing materials
 - Proofread and edited copy using Adobe InDesign; responsible for layout
 - Researched in-paper campaigns, participated in development of creative concepts; brainstormed and wrote copy for advertising campaigns
 - Developed newsletter topic ideas

News Editor, The Hanover College Triangle, 2022 – 2023

- Assigned stories to reporters and wrote copy on QuarkXpress
- · Oversaw layout and editing of news section; motivated and supervised staff
- Developed story ideas as team member
- Managed web edition of newspaper

Learning Center Writing Tutor, Hanover College, 2021 – 2023

- Edited student papers for grammatical and syntactical correctness, organization, creativity, and clarity of expression
- Used standard proofreading and correction symbols

Editor-in-Chief, The Jetstream, 2019 – 2020

- · Recruited and supervised 10 editors of high school newspaper
- Enforced deadlines; presided over weekly editorial and staff meetings
- Worked also as editor and reporter 2018 2019; used Adobe InDesign

RelatedContributor, Kennings Literary Journal, 2023ActivitiesHistorian. Scholarship Chair. Judicial Commit

- Historian, Scholarship Chair, Judicial Committee, Zeta Zeta Zeta Fraternity 2021 2023
- Recorded details of events and activities of chapter
- Wrote article for national monthly newsletter

Interns: "Experience Required"? Says Who?

Often students searching for a job or internship are met with the phrase "experience required." Don't be discouraged by this; you can outline your related, or "transferable," skills to demonstrate to a potential employer that you are worth hiring. Read the sections below, then compare with the résumé on page 11.

Draw from your:

Classes and Liberal Arts Skills

Comb through your course syllabi; they list the skills and tasks you are expected to develop through the class. Note those skills that are sought by the job or internship you're applying for (if you aren't sure, search for the job title through onetonline.org under the tab, "job tasks"). Remember to describe your liberal arts skills (writing, speaking, analysis).

For Example:

If you are taking Organizational Communication, the syllabus states that "[Students will learn to use] critical thinking to analyze the communication that occurs in organizations, gain experience in delivering oral presentations to specific audiences, [and] gain experience functioning in small groups." These skills can appear in your profile or summary of skills section as below:

- Skilled in critical thinking and analysis
- Experienced in delivering presentations to a variety of audiences
- Experienced team member

Character

Employers most highly value enthusiasm for their job or internship position, but also seek traits such as dependability, punctuality, initiative, quick learning, productivity, flexibility, independence and cooperation, among others. Which best describe you?

How to Include Them:

Place general trait statements in your profile section, as in the first example below, or as a bullet statement describing your job, as in the second example:

- Possess excellent initiative; quick learner
- Opened and operated office independently in absence of manager

Past Experience and Activities

Experience does not have to be formal or paid to be valuable: your clubs, odd jobs, volunteer work, sports, and hobbies have taught you skills that may interest future employers. Research the skills needed for the job or internship you are seeking, and the ways you have developed them. (See the exercise on page 2.)

For Example:

- A lifeguard's tasks can apply to several positions:
- Teach water safety and swim lessons (teaching)
- Maintain alertness; stay calm in emergencies (police)
- Manage snack bar; keep accurate records (management)

Choosing Sections that Fit your Background

Résumés can be as individual as fingerprints. Choose headings and descriptions that show specific employers the ways that you are well-suited for their positions. You should always include your name, contact information and education; however, other possible sections depend on your strengths and the relevance to the job or internship you are seeking. Here are a few possibilities:

- Related Experience (can include related volunteer or extracurricular activities)
- Other Experience
- Leadership Activities
- Honors and Awards

- Summary, Profile, or Highlights of Skills (lists facts that are true about you, but may not have been demonstrated in an organized activity or job. See examples on pp. 9, 11, 12, 16, and 18.)
- _____ Skills (related to your field, e.g., Computer Skills, Laboratory Skills, or Teaching Skills)
- Volunteer Experience
- Extracurricular Activities
- Objective (these are uncommon today. If you include one, be sure to make it brief and clear. Avoid phrasing it in terms of the ways the job or internship would benefit you; employers want to know how they will benefit from hiring you.)

A. Virginia Woolf

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Profile	 Experienced in writing and editing news stories Skilled in delivering presentations to a variety of audiences Possess excellent initiative; quick learner
Education	Working toward Bachelor of Arts, Hanover College, expected graduation: May 2025 Major: Communication; Minor: Film Studies Cumulative Grade Point Average: 3.36; Dean's List, Fall 2023 <i>Related Coursework:</i> Advanced Video Production, Survey of Mass Media, Video Production (created and edited multiple clips), Visual Communication (created and produced a short clip), Screenwriting (wrote a full-length screenplay)
Related Experience	 Student Broadcast Association, Hanover College, 2022 – present Direct camera operators for live streaming via Internet Multitask as technical director operating the video switcher Serve as technical director for series of cultural and sporting events, listening carefully as instructed; offer suggestions for best possible picture Program and administer the character generator for several live stream productions Assist as camera operator during field shoots Set up lighting and sound equipment during interviews and other cultural events around and off campus
Other Experience and Activities	 Student Ambassador, Admissions & Financial Aid, Hanover College, August 2022 – May 2023 Provided tours throughout campus and hosted prospective students overnight Assisted with the admittance of new students; provided feedback on applicants Maintained communication with students before and after they enrolled Contributed to telemarketing campaign
	 Lifeguard, Bloomsbury Community Pool, Summers 2021 – 2023 Communicated with public; taught lessons; enforced safety rules with peers and public Maintained accurate records of incidents and attendance; trained other lifeguards Promoted to Head Lifeguard in 2023
	 Representative, Hall Government, Crowe Hall, Hanover College, 2021 – 2023 Organized and led meetings; developed programming to educate and engage residents Reelected in second year based on residents' satisfaction
	Event Planner, Love Out Loud, Hanover College, 2022 – 2023 • Set up informational programming; promoted events

Intramural softball, volleyball, and ultimate frisbee

Marcie L. Cicero

Internship Résumé (see tips on pp. 4 and 10) Font: Times New Roman 11 point Goal: Camp Counselor

517 Ball Drive, Hanover College Hanover, IN 47243

Highlights of Skills:

- Experienced in planning activities for children and adolescents
- Background in program coordination
- Skilled in motivating others; enthusiastic and energetic
- · Possess strong organizational and customer service skills

Education:

Earning Bachelor of Arts, Hanover College, Expected Graduation Date: May 2025 Classics Major, Cumulative Grade Point Average: 3.7; Dean's List; Mortarboard Honor Society Study Abroad: Katholieke Universiteit, Leuven Belgium, Winter 2023

Related Experience:

Learning Center Tutor, Hanover College

- Work with students, provide individual meetings, and teach communication skills
- Assist drop-in students to develop essays and organize ideas; understand and explain rules of grammar
- Provide advice for adjusting to college-level work; answer questions
- Have received excellent evaluations from students and supervisor

Peer Advisor, Hanover College

(September 2022 – June 2023)

2022

(September 2022 – Present)

• Mentored group of first year students during the transition to college life; develop programming

Substitute Teacher, Southwestern Jefferson County School Corporation (2023)

- Led classes for elementary students, grades 2, 4, and 5, as planned by teacher
- Kept accurate attendance records; collected and graded assignments; recorded grades in spreadsheet

Other Activities:

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 • Ran office equipment, organized files, and answered phone inquiries • Used MS Word and cataloguing software to track materials; research 	(September 2022 – May 2023) ed books through interlibrary loan
<i>Vice President Membership/Recruitment,</i> Zeta Zeta Zeta Fraternity • Coordinated chapter recruitment and membership selection process	(2022 – 2023)
 Oversaw all recruitment events; planned and developed activities to a Increased pledge class 10% over previous year 	draw new members
Staff, Shoebox Restaurant, Hanover College	(September – December 2022)
<i>Team Member,</i> Taco Bell • Worked with public; resolved customer complaints	(Summer 2021 – 2022)
<i>Vice President,</i> National Honor Society • Developed and participated in community service activities; co-led w	(2021 – 2022) veekly meetings

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Profile	 Experience working with at-risk adolescents Possess strong listening skills; able to work well individually and in a team Have developed programming to teach living skills 		
Education	Bachelor of Arts, Hanover College, expected May Major: Psychology; Dean's List Grade Point Average: Most Recent Term 3.5 Cumul Additional Course work: Behavior Management (In- Study Abroad: University of Wollongong, Australia,	lative: 3.1 diana University Southeast)	
Related Experience	 Intern, LifeSpring Mental Health Services (September 2023 – Present) Provide case management for adult clients and children Develop objectives for each client; teach activities of daily living skills Monitor and document condition of clients receiving services Work in treatment team; act as a liaison with other agencies Observe group therapy sessions 		
	 Teacher-Therapist, Englishton Park Children's Pro Taught academic subjects to children diagnosed w Counseled emotionally at-risk children Implemented a behavior modification system using Held case conferences for each child with parents, 	ith ADD and ADHD g a token economy	
Volunteer Experience	 Peer Advisor, Hanover College (January 2023 – Present) Develop and lead programming to promote first year integration into college life Participate in the selection and training of new peer advisors 		
	 Volunteer Teacher, Girls, Inc. (January – May 2023) Selected curriculum and led classes for girls aged 6 though 13; interacted with parents 		
	L.I.N.K. (Love is Needed by Kids), Hanover CollegSponsored a child as a big sister; planned engaging		
Other Experience	 Ambassador, Hanover College Office of Admissions (2021 – 2022) Provided tours of campus; answered questions; developed rapport with prospective students 		
	Caterer, Sodexo (2021 – 2022)		
	Sales Associate, Peebles (Summers 2021, 2022)		
Honors and Activities	Volunteer Service Award, Hanover College 2023 National Honor Society	Intramural Softball, Volleyball Academic Honors Diploma	

Charles Babbage

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KEYWORDS:

Python, C, C++, SQL, ColdFusion, HTML, Java, Unix, Adobe Illustrator, Visual Studio, Paintshop Pro, Adobe Photoshop, Microsoft Office, dBase, Bachelor of Arts Computer Science, Project Technician, Technical Assistant, Web Page Designer, Database System Designer, Software Support, Ethernet, Software Upgrading, Troubleshooter

EDUCATION:

Hanover College Senior, expected graduation May 2024 Majors: Computer Science, Mathematics Cumulative Grade Point Average: 3.3/4.0

COMPUTER SKILLS:

High Level Languages – Python, C, C++, Visual Studio, SQL, Web Page Design – HTML, Java, CSS Graphics Software – CoreIDRAW, Adobe Photoshop and Illustrator, Paintshop Pro Application Packages – Oracle, Microsoft Office, dBase, QuickBooks Operating Systems – Unix, MS-DOS, Mac OS

COMPUTER-RELATED EXPERIENCE:

INTERN, Acme Development Group, June – August 2023

- Directed project to support Windows service; built employee databases
- Developed payroll system using QuickBooks that was implemented at end of summer

TECHNICAL ASSISTANT, Hanover Economics Department, August 2022 – May 2023

- Created and maintained web page to make classes interactive on the web
- Acted as troubleshooter for class lab assignments and interactive lectures
- Worked as computer lab instructor for a course, receiving excellent ratings

PROJECT TECHNICIAN, Clawson Communication, June – August 2022

- Installed fiber-optics based Ethernet system at Hanover College; handled troubleshooting
- Performed Ethernet card installation and software updating for students

DATABASE SYSTEM DESIGNER, Singapore Airlines, May – June 2022 - Designed database system for priority passenger service using dBase

COMPUTER LAB ASSISTANT, Hanover College Academic Computing, May 2021 – May 2022 - Provided software support for Windows and Macintosh platforms, performed system upgrades

WEB PAGE DESIGNER

- Personal Web Page - http://www2.hanover.edu/student/babbage

- Webmaster for Sigma Chi - http://www2.hanover.edu/student/sigmachi/

HONORS AND ACTIVITIES:

Petticrew Computer Scholar Association for Computing Machinery

Rachel M. Carson

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Education	 Bachelor of Arts, Hanover College, expected graduation: May 2024 Major: Biology, Minor: Chemistry Cumulative Grade Point Average: 3.2 Senior Thesis: "Effect of Anthrax on Dogwood at Big Oaks National Wildlife Refuge" Wrote a 50 page publication-quality research paper, available in the Hanover library Will present findings at the Butler Undergraduate Research Conference in Indianapolis in April 2024 Related Coursework: Ecology and Evolution, Cells and Systems, Biodiversity, Genetics, Herpetology, Mammology, Plant Physiology, Chemistry, Biochemistry, Calculus, Statistics
Laboratory and Field Skills	 Recombinant DNA techniques (vector cloning, splicing) Electrophoresis; protein purification Thin-layer, gas, and high performance liquid chromatography (HPLC) Enzyme kinetics Taxonomic identification of vascular plants Extensive field observation, data analysis Cytological evaluation of meiotic and mitotic plant tissues
Tech Skills	Microsoft Access, Excel, C++, C, Scheme, dBase Plus, Microsoft Word, WordPerfect
Related Work Experience	 Biology Laboratory Assistant, Hanover College, 2021 - Present Run practice intro labs to troubleshoot the process Set up equipment for experiments; provide feedback on lab reports Answer all student questions in absence of professor Seed Crew Supervisor, Holden Seed Foundation, Summers 2021 - 2022 Conducted pollination and hybridization experiments Developed a database for seed and plant inventories Recorded findings and wrote summary reports; presented results to supervisors Supervised and trained 8 new employees; participated in evaluations Promoted from crew member to supervisor in 2022 BioBlitz Student Volunteer, Hanover College, Fall 2022 Collected and catalogued wildlife in and around the Hanover College campus during a 24-hour event; posted results to website Exhibited the specimens for public education before releasing them
Activities	 Tri-Beta Biological Honor Society, Hanover College, 2023 - Present Set up speakers and events Participate in researching, planning and planting pollinator garden
	International Club , Hanover College, 2021 - Present

• Plan cultural and educational events and activities

Eleanor Holmes Norton

Chronological Format Font: Calibri 11 point Goal: Social Justice Advocate

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Profile

- Experienced in developing and implementing events to create awareness of social justice issues
- Skilled in promoting initiatives through a range of social media
- Possess excellent work ethic, leadership and problem-solving skills

Education

Bachelor of Arts, Hanover College, Hanover, IN, May 2024 Major: Political Communication The Washington Center Academic Internship Program, Washington D.C., August 2021 – December 2021

Professional Experience

IT & Ops Intern, Democratic National Committee Headquarters, Washington D.C., May 2022 – August 2022

- Created a new system to document and track employee equipment and personal contact information
- Audited contracts and equipment databases; organized the removal of 300 pieces of equipment
- Developed scripts and organizing details for the ambassadors of the Seat at The Table initiative
- Uploaded vendor and other DNC contracts; assessed the billing with the contracted DNC law firm

Campaign Intern, Beyond the Bomb, Washington D.C., August 2021 – December 2021

- Researched and developed nuclear policy curriculum for high school students
- Cultivated organization coalition outreach initiatives and messaging for 90 organizations
- Crafted content for social media release and website articles

Scholar, McKinney School of Law and Leadership Academy, Indianapolis, IN, June 2021

Briefed criminal cases and drafted closing arguments to deliver in Mock Trial; crafted oral arguments

Fellow, Organizing for America, Butler County, OH, June 2019 – November 2020

- Updated VAN database for potential voters in Butler County
- Managed 20 local volunteers within West Chester township
- Coordinated community outreach events such as phone-banking, watch parties, etc.

Leadership Experience

President and Founder, Black Student Union, Hanover College, April 2021 – May 2023

- Partnered with Office of Student Life to create the Alma Gene Prince Multicultural Housing Community
- Created a Black Student Union Newsletter to recognize the accomplishments of Black Students
- Started a peer-mentoring program to connect incoming Black students with upperclassmen
- Established and hosted Hanover's first Afro-centric graduation ceremony

Benjamin Templeton Scholar, Hanover College, March 2019 – May 2023

- Established a Principles of Hanover Scholarship, raising \$2,500 in three weeks
- Strategized and implemented tactics to stimulate constructive dialogue for on-campus social justice issues
- Developed year-long social justice projects with cross-cohort groups to address hate speech

Communication Director, Hanover College Democrats Club, August 2021 – May 2023

• Promoted bipartisan dialogue through social events

Sprint Captain, Track and Field, Hanover College, August 2019 – May 2022

Helped lead the team to first indoor conference win and first outdoor conference win in five years

Michael B. Angelo

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Education:	Bachelor of Arts, Hanover College, anticipated May 2024 Major: Economic, Business Scholar Cumulative Grade Point Average: 3.2; Dean's List (3 terms) Research Grant: "Taxes at Work: State-Supported Art in Italy," Rome, Italy
Computer Skills:	Microsoft Excel, PowerPoint, Word, Access; FileMaker Pro database
Related Experience:	 Intern, First Bank of Florence, Summer 2023 Conducted customer surveys and analyzed results; presented findings to vice presidents. Compiled and analyzed records of bank's compliance with Community Reinvestment and Sarbanes-Oxley (SOX) Acts, and designed documents promoting bank's services. Expanded list of potential customers by 12%. Received an "outstanding" evaluation, the highest possible.
	 Coordinator, Medici Student Investment Club, Medici Brokers, 2021 – 2022 Chaired and coordinated monthly meetings of student investors; bought and sold marketable securities; reviewed existing portfolio on monthly basis. Increased portfolio by 14%. 100% of stock options presented to club were purchased.
	 Manager, Charlie's Homemade Ice Cream & Edibles, Summers 2021 – 2022 Hired and trained 3 employees; participated in staff evaluations; processed payroll and tracked inventory; negotiated with vendors. Promoted to assistant manager at 17, and to manager at 18. Created promotional strategy that increased sales by 10%.
Additional Experience:	Computer Laboratory Assistant, Hanover College, 2021 – 2022 Provided software support to students using facility; demonstrated use of Excel; performed periodic diagnostic checks on hardware.
	Production, Sistine Marble Works, Summer 2020
Leadership Activities:	Treasurer, International ClubAllocated annual budget and tracked expenditures for 25 member organization.Recouped \$2,000 in overdue bills.
	Delegate, Model League of Arab States House Manager, Social Chair, Executive Committee, Zeta Zeta Zeta Fraternity Varsity Basketball (4 years), Hanover College Volunteer, Lide White Boys and Girls Club

Chronological Résumé (see rules on page 4) Font: Tahoma 11 point Goal: Art Museum Position

Natasha Rostov

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Profile	 Skilled in leading tours and working with Possess excellent communication skills Experienced in digital imaging and scanni Have strong event planning and organization 	ng technology
Education	Bachelor of Arts, Hanover College, expect Major: Art History, Minor: Theology Major Grade Point Average: 3.5; Cumulative Dean's List (3 terms) Senior Thesis: "Delacroix and Gericault: The	e Grade Point Average: 3.0
Museum Experience	 Intern, Cincinnati Art Museum, Summer 20. Participated in organizing exhibitions of m on loan from the Metropolitan Museum of Acted as tour guide in the medieval section fielded questions; wrote educational mate Used MS Visio to diagram event setups Prepared information brochures for upcon Developed and led children's programmin 	nedieval religious art collection ⁵ Art on; interacted with patrons and erials for section ning exhibitions
	 Tour Guide, The New Mexico Art Institute, Answered questions and assisted patrons and post-modern exhibitions Participated in leading children's tours; leading children's tours; leading children's tours; leading and museum memberships, surpassing given and the second s	in medieval, renaissance, d crafts activities oals by nearly 10%
	 Participated in organizing exhibitions at th Assisted patrons, answered questions and 	ne College; wrote exhibit materials
Other Experience	 Camp Counselor, Pensacola Summer Cam Coordinated arts and crafts activities for c Organized and led field trip to Orlando Mu 	hildren aged 6 – 12
Foreign Languages	Spanish – fluent: can prepare and give pres French – fair: can understand and speak, re	•
Computer Skills	Microsoft Visio, Word, PowerPoint, Excel, Ac	ccess
Other Activities	Habitat for Humanity (2 years) Softball Team (3 years)	Debate Club (2 years) Track Team (1 year)

Lily L. James

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Highlights of Skills:

- Experienced in using CAD software, Python, C++, and Microsoft Excel
- Proficient in problem solving and critical thinking
- Possess strong organizational skills and teamwork experience
- Approach tasks creatively when developing ideas for multiple applications and organizations

Education:

Earning Bachelor of Science, Hanover College, Expected Graduation Date: May 2025 Major: Engineering; Concentration: Computer Engineering **Related Coursework:** Digital Systems, Electrical Circuit Analysis, Electronics Integration,

Electronics Circuits and Design, Data Structures, Fundamentals of Computer Science, Introduction to Engineering and Design

Related Experience:

Engineering and Design, Hanover College, January – April 2023

- Researched and conducted interviews with engineering professionals to identify cost-effective ways to build a solar water heater
- Worked in team to develop recommendations; participated in presentation to clients

Technical Consultant, Hanover College Learning Center, August 2022 – May 2023

- · Created software to store information about student traffic
- Developed organizational system; trained others on system still currently in use

Electrical Circuit Analysis, Hanover College, Summer 2022

- · Assembled and verified circuit blocks with use of LTspice software
- Performed error analysis, redesign and optimization

Technology Specialist, Jefferson Marching Band, August 2020 – May 2021

- Worked through multiple technical issues to make soundboards function during events
- Organized equipment and cables for ease of use
- Controlled several pieces of large hardware simultaneously under tight time constraints

Other Activities:

Budget Officer, Engineering Club, Hanover College, August 2021 - Present

- Use computer software to book spaces for events
- Oversee all financial transactions and keep a detailed budget for the club

Archivist, Hanover College Library, October 2022 – Present

- Adapt to new software quickly
- Work independently on projects and take initiative for new projects

Treasurer, Hanover Presbyterian Church Youth Group, August 2018 – June 2021

- Coordinated multiple fundraisers and consistently raised over \$2000 per year
- Tracked budget and all expenditures through MS Excel

Thor Z. Hammer

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Chronological Résumé (see rules on page 4) Font: Calibri 11 point Goal: Physical Therapist Position

SUMMARY

- Experienced in developing and implementing individual treatment programs.
- Have evaluated a treated a wide range of conditions.
- Skilled in communicating with and educating patients.
- Experienced in documenting treatment, patient responses, and progress in charts.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Outpatient Physical Therapy Assistant, Alivio Medical Center, Indianapolis, IN, September 2019 – Present

- Return patient to prior level of function and safely return them to sport or work-related activities.
- Implement exercises and activities related to established short- and long-term goals.
- Increase range of motion and strength, while decreasing pain.
- Write progress notes and discharge summaries based on patient progress; take objective measurements related to the progress.
- Modify treatment plans as directed or needed to ensure comfort and safety.

Student Physical Therapist, A&M Physical Therapy Outpatient Clinic, Columbus, IN, January 2023 – March 2023

- Created individualized care plans for each treatment.
- Evaluated and treated a wide range of conditions, including chronic, acute, and post-operative pain and degenerative diseases.
- Performed effective manual therapy techniques.
- Educated patients regarding diagnosis, injury prevention and therapeutic treatments.
- Recorded detailed prognosis, treatment responses, and progress notes in patient charts.
- Planned individually designed treatment programs to restore or maintain strength.

Inpatient Physical Therapy Assistant, Athletico Physical Therapy, Indianapolis, IN, September 2018 – June 2019

- Implemented selected skilled therapy components of patient treatment plans based on pertinent data.
- Modified treatment plans as directed to ensure patient safety and comfort.
- Controlled patient pain levels, worked toward returning to their prior level of function.
- Assisted in range of movement process.

CLINICAL EXPERIENCE

DPT Shadowing: Experience in local and regional settings totaling 250 hours

- Observed physical therapists working with patients.
- Helped patients perform therapeutic exercises; practiced exercises with patients.
- Instructed patients on how to stretch and increase/decrease weights.
- Applied and disconnected patients from modalities.
- Charted parts or whole treatment plan for the day.
- Retrieved and returned patients to their rooms (inpatient); and cleaned equipment.

EDUCATION

Doctor of Physical Therapy, Hanover College, Hanover, IN, June 2023
 Associates in Physical Therapy Assistant, University of Indianapolis, Indianapolis, IN, August, 2018
 Bachelor of Science, Indiana University, Bloomington, IN, May, 2016
 Major: Exercise Science

Seiji Ozawa

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EDUCATION

 Bachelor of Science (expected) May 2024, Hanover College, Hanover, Indiana Engineering Major; Concentration: Mechanical Engineering Cumulative GPA: 3.9; Engineering GPA: 3.9 Dean's List (all semesters); Alpha Lambda Delta Academic Honor Society Fluent in Japanese Related Course Work: Fluid and Thermal Physics, Mathematical Methods, Classical Mechanics, Engineering & Design, Electrical Circuit Analysis, Fluid Dynamics, Linear Systems and Signals, Thermal Dynamics, Control Theory and Design, Heat Transfer

Class Projects Requiring Independent Design and Data Collection

Triplett, J., Gephart, D., & Ozawa, S. (2020). Solar Water Heater Project, Engineering & Design

- Built Solar Water Heater that is low cost and efficient using core knowledge of energy transfer and thermodynamics
- Assigned work to teammates, organized time schedules, and edited the report
- Had the top performance in the class in terms of efficiency and cost performance
- · Presented recommendations to engineers from industries/companies in Madison, IN

Ozawa, S. (2021). Effects of water flow rate on heat transfer rate and comparison of overall heat transfer coefficient of different types of heat exchangers, Heat Transfer

- Designed own lab, collected data, and analyzed overall heat transfer coefficient, heat transfer rate, and Nusselt number of different types of heat exchangers
- Intended to be submitted for publication to The American Society of Mechanical Engineers

RELATED WORK EXPERIENCE

Engineering Intern, Madison Municipal Airport Summer 2020

- Conducted fuel testing; investigated and maintained the safety of the runway for aircraft
- Created manual for possible bird strike, and revised safety manual for airport
- · Helped local engineers maintain aircraft and replace parts
- Communicated with clients at front desk, guided them through facility, and performed other non-technical tasks
- Shadowed manager and supported work of documentation, maintenance of facility, and brainstorming ideas.

COMMUNITY SERVICE

Resident Assistant, Hanover College

2020 - Present

- Lead and organize educational and social programs for residents
- Develop campus community relations
- Serve as resource for residents about academic issues and other problems

Engineering Club Treasurer, Hanover College

Asian Student Union Treasurer, Hanover College

Member, International Club of Hanover College

Student Senate Representative for Class of 2024, Hanover College

Résumé Rubric

Writing a strong, effective résumé is one of the most demanding parts of preparing for a search. Background research and numerous drafts are required to develop a great document; don't underestimate the effort required for this task. To evaluate the strongth of your résumé rate, each of the following 1-3 (3 is high).

Content

- _____ Your goal is made very clear through the descriptions you have chosen: you skillfully highlight specific related skills, experience, and traits by providing greater detail.*
- _____ You create an emphasis by focusing on 1-2 central skills, restating them 2-3 times with varied language.
- _____ Your key words are specific and related to your goal.
- _____ Your verbs are strong, active, and related to your goal.
- _____ You show your impact, including 3 or more strong accomplishments from past experience.*
- _____ Your section headings showcase your strengths while matching the job requirements.
- _____ Content Subtotal multiplied by 2 (it is as least twice as important as the other factors)

Format

- _____ Your layout clearly conveys the relative importance of items and prominently features the most important items near the top and left.
- _____ Your verb tenses correctly match your dates.
- _____ Your visual highlights effectively indicate key ideas through the use of bold and bullets.
- _____ Your fonts are well-chosen, clear, and easy-to-read.
- _____ Format Subtotal

Mechanics

- _____ The length fills the page effectively and conforms to the length standard in the field.
- _____ Your proofreading avoids all errors; you use consistent punctuation and explain acronyms.*
- _____ Standard protocol is observed, avoiding unnecessary articles, pronouns, and unrelated skills.
- _____ Reverse chronological order is used effectively.
- _____ Mechanics Subtotal
- _____ Overall Total: add the (doubled) content subtotal to the format and mechanics subtotals.

How did you do?

- 51 60 You've done a great job on your résumé. You have described related transferable skills, experience, and accomplishments in a clear, easy-to-read style. Continue to revise and build your résumé for each job you target.
- 41 50 You have a good start on your résumé. You can improve it by gaining more related work experience, by tailoring it to your specific goal, and by reformatting it to add clarity.
- 31 40 You have some good elements to your résumé, but it's not ready to share with potential employers yet. You would benefit from an appointment with the Career and Professional Development Center, OEL or BSP to find strategies to improve it.
- 20 30 You have probably just gotten started in writing a résumé, and you may not appreciate the ways your existing background can be described to your advantage. You also may not be familiar with what employers are looking for on résumés. Come to the CPDC to get a jump start with yours; it will be worth your time!
- * Note: For you to have mastered the Strong Résumé competency, you need to have a score of 3 for each of the starred elements and a high score overall.

Detailed Résumé Rubric

How did you do?

For each factor below, highlight the description that best describes your résumé. Find your average raw score for each section at top and multiply:

 Content raw score x 5
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 Format raw score x 1:
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 Mechanics raw score x 1:
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_ + _ + _= ____ (Total)

	Criterion	Excellent (raw score 4)	Good (raw score 3)	Fair (raw score 2)	Poor (raw score 1)
	Clear and supported goals:	• Goal is very clear: skillfully highlights specific related skills, experience, and traits.	• Goal is clear: highlights some related skills and experience.	 Provides content that does not coalesce around a clear goal; related experience thin. 	 No clear goal; a significant lack of focus; lacks related experience.
Content	Key words:	• Uses specific key words frequently and effectively.	 When uses key words, does so effectively. 	• Includes some key words, but also includes unrelated information.	• Omits key words.
	Verbs:	• Verbs are strong, active, related to goal.	• Verbs are related to goal.	 Most verbs are related to goal. 	• Omits verbs or uses weak ones.
ן נ	Results:	• Includes 3 or more strong accomplishments from past experience.	 Includes 2 related accomplishments when describing experience. 	• Includes only 1 specific accomplishment from past experience.	 Includes no specific accomplishments.
	Headings:	• Headings showcase the writer's strengths while matching the job requirements.	• Headings are appropriate for the writer and match the goal.	• Headings do not clearly support the goal or highlight the writer's strengths.	 Headings do not support goal or highlight strengths at all.
	Organiza- tion:	• Organization clearly conveys the relative importance of items.	• Generally conveys appropriate emphases.	 Inconsistent organizationally. 	• Appears disorganized.
	Use of location:	• Prominently features the most important items near top and left.	 Tends to place important items near top. 	• Obscures strengths relative to the position.	 Formatting choices distract from content
٤	Verb tenses:	• Uses correct verb tenses to match dates.	 Verb tenses do not always match dates. 	 Verb tenses do not match dates sometimes. 	• Verb tenses do not match dates; absent.
LOIIIId	Emphases:	• Emphasizes 1-2 central skills, restating them 2-3 times with varied language; provides more detail for related activities.	• Highlights at least one key idea, restating with varied language; emphasizes related past experience through greater detail.	• Does not convey a reliable or clear sense of emphasis, but may imply one.	• Does not emphasiz key ideas; repeats exact wording one or more times.
	Visual highlights:	• Effectively highlights key ideas with bold and bullets.	• Uses bold and bullets effectively for the most part.	 Uses discernible formatting, but not in a way that draws the reader's eye effectively. 	• Does not format using bold or bullets to emphasize key information.
	Fonts:	• Well-chosen, clear, and easy-to-read.	• Clear and easy-to- read.	• Somewhat distracting or difficult to read.	• Difficult to read or busy.
Mechanics	Length:	• Fills page effectively; conforms to the length	• Fills nearly all of or entire page effectively.	• Has some obvious unused "white" space,	• Has significant unused "white"
	Punctuation and proofing:	 standard in industry. Avoids all errors; uses consistent punctuation; explains acronyms. 	• Uses punctuation consistently with 1-2 exceptions; has no typos.	or is too long. • Includes more than one error each in punctuation and proofreading.	 space, or 2 + pages. Has several typos; is inconsistent in punctuation; uses unclear acronyms.
	Standard protocol:	 Avoids unnecessary articles and pronouns; omits personal info. 	 Avoids articles and pronouns. 	 Generally avoids articles and pronouns. 	 Ignores most standard résumé protocol.
	Reverse chronology:	Uses reverse chronological order to advantage.	• Uses reverse chronological order.	• Is inconsistent chronologically.	• Does not use reverse chronological order.
	Contact information:	• Provides clear contact information.	• Provides contact information.	 Wastes space when listing contact info. 	 Provides outdated contact information.

After you Graduate



Keep your résumé up-to-date:

- As you continue along your career path, be sure to add each new job to your résumé. Save your all of your job descriptions to help with wording.
- Drop specific references to old college activities as you replace them with leadership experience within your job and volunteerism in the community.
- After you get your first job, remove your grade point average and specific scholarships, but leave more summary statements, such as "Bachelor of Arts *Cum Laude.*" When your work experience merits it, move it above education.

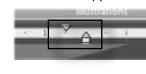
Type Bullets Anywhere!

You may be better off not using your word processor's bulleted lists option when writing your résumé, as the software will insert unwanted formatting along with the bullets. Instead, use your keyboard shortcut to type bullets anywhere, as below:

Experience: • Tutor college students in calculus and statistics

Mac Users: Type Option + 8. Windows Users: Alt + 0149 or 0183 or with number lock on: Alt 7

To indent wrapped text (as above), drag the



lower triangle in the tab bar to the right (as shown to the left here).

What Do Employers Want?

Recruiters who interview at Hanover College are asked to rank the factors they valued most highly when hiring new college graduates. They consistently identify the following five as most important:

- Commitment to the field,
- Oral communication skills,
- Leadership experience, project management,
- Related internships or jobs, and
- Analytical skills.

As you write your résumé, be sure to highlight these aspects of your own background.

Advice for the Digital Age

- Save your résumé with your name in the document title in MS Word or as a PDF if you are using special formatting.
- Employers recommend that you omit your street address from résumés submitted to online job boards (your e-mail address and phone number are enough.)
- Use your Hanover e-mail address or set up an account in gmail with a professional name, (e.g., smithh@gmail. com rather than beerguzzler@hotmail.com). Don't give your work e-mail address or phone number.
- Clean up your Facebook page and tagged photos. Employers will Google you: make a positive impression. Do you blog in your own name? Keep it professional, or use a pseudonym; cyberspace has a long memory!
- Develop a profile on LinkedIn.com, the professional networking site. Save your profile with a user-friendly name, and include it on your résumé.
- Set up your cell voice mail with a clear and professional greeting, as well. Not sure yours is okay? If your most formal adult friend or relative can't understand it or wouldn't approve of it, change it.