



# How To Prepare a Professional Resume / CV



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The Upper Part is the most important and it should only include the following:

#### 1. Personal Information:

- Name (*It should match your passport name*).
- Address (*Country, Town*).
- Contact Number (*Your mobile number with the country code*).
- Email (*use a professional and complete email and hyperlink it*).
- LinkedIn Account (*It show how professional you are since you are using a professional network, you must have one. Hyperlink it*).
- Avoid including your date of birth, nationality, sex and photo unless they are required by the recruiter in the job description.

#### 2. Profile (Can be called Summary or Professional Summary)

It should attract the recruiter and let him want to know more about you. Be specific and brief; in **3 sentences maximum** talk about your years of experience, specialization, industry, strengths and skills that you can offer to the employer. Avoid addressing yourself as a third part.

*For Fresh Graduate, they can detail the following: University, Major, aim, target job, strengths and skills.*

For the following parts:

- Education
- Experience
- Skills (3 parts: IT, Language and Competencies).
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- Start with your Education, Experience and skills, to end with the Additional information.
- Always start by your Previous Education/Experience.

### 5. Skills:

- IT Skills (or Computer skills):  
Name of the software related to the job you are applying for, level of proficiency. Ex: MS Office, advanced level.
- Give your language skills its own section.

- Use bullet points and conserve a parallel structure.
- Don't use abbreviation.
- Make it easy to read, well organized; use bold to make things stand out and use same font type throughout, indent 2-3 levels only.
- Choose a clear Font type like Calibri, Times New Roman or Arial. For the font size: the body should be between 10 and 12 points, the heading between 14-18 points.
- Keep your margins around 2.5 cm, but never less than 1,27 cm.
- Each time you apply for a job, tailor all parts of your resume to the mission, vision and position you are applying for by using the same keywords used by the recruiter in the job description.

*It will help your application beat the Application Tracking System (ATS) robots.*

- Use fragments and never use a complete sentence. Each Fragment should start use an action verb.
- Use present tense for current positions and past tense for previous positions. And do not use personal pronouns.

## 6. Additional Information

### Awards and Achievements

- Include award title, recognition level and date.  
Types of awards to include on a resume: (Academic or athletic awards, Scholarships, Awards of excellence in voluntary activities, Job related awards, School leadership positions, Employee of the month, etc.)

### Conferences and Workshops Attended

- 'Name of the seminar or workshop', Location, Month year.

### Certifications

- Name of Certification, name of the certifying agency, date of obtainment, Location, expiration date (if applicable)

### Publications

- List each publication as its own bullet point, starting with the most recently published. Choose only the most recent and relevant publications to avoid taking up valuable space on your resume. Style your list. Rather than follow MLA or APA style, you can simply list each work's title, publication name and date.

### Volunteering

- Support the Red cross.
- Scout volunteering Community Activities.
- Tutor Students.
- Professional memberships, etc.

- Proofreading for spelling, grammar, punctuation, spacing and format is an important indicator of a candidate's attention to detail.
- Save and send your Resume as a pdf file to ensure recruiters can open it on any device.
- Name it with your name and year of update. Ex: Ibad Al-Rahman 2021.
- A Resume should almost never be more than 2 pages long. It is used to get an interview or employment.
- A Curriculum Vitae (CV) is more detailed (3-4 pages maximum). It is used to apply for promotion, grants, awards, scholarships, specialist positions, research positions, etc.