

Canadian-Style Resume Checklist

NECESSARY CONTENT:

	<p>Personal Information: Full name as heading, followed by contact information in (xxx)-xxx-xxxx format, city and postal code, and professional email address. LinkedIn optional.</p>
	<p>Objective/Summary: 2–4 sentence snapshot of your career. Covers top achievements, including professional accomplishments, educational background, top skills, expertise. Should address that you are a student in (x) Program of (x) School, seeking a position in (x) industry.</p>
	<p>Skills section: Includes 6-8 soft skills + hard skills. Skills should be woven into short phrases with descriptive language specific to you and your industry of interest. Soft skill example: clear and concise communication. Hard skill example: Fluent in Microsoft Excel. Must be in bullet-point form.</p>
	<p>Work Experience section: Must go in the following order: Position • Company Name • Company Location • Dates Employed (ex.: May 2017- June 2022) • Company Description (*if not self-explanatory) • Responsibilities & Achievements (4–8 bullets per position). Must provide metrics, measurables and outcomes.</p>
	<p>Volunteer Section: Provide volunteer work under work experience section with same format as work experience section: Position • Company Name • Company Location • Dates Employed (ex.: May 2017- June 2022) • Company Description (*if not self-explanatory) • Responsibilities & Achievements (4–8 bullets per position). Must provide metrics, measurables and outcomes.</p>
	<p>Education section: Must go in the following order: • Program Name - E.g., “Diploma in Business” • College - E.g., “Fanshawe College” • Location - Toronto, Ontario • Years Attended - (ex: “September 2020 – Expected Graduation Date August 2021”) • (Optional) GPA - E.g., “3.7 GPA” • (Optional) Honours –E.g., “Valedictorian” (Dean's list) • (Optional) Achievements - Did you win any awards during university?. <i>Please only include GPA if above 3.5.</i></p>
	<p>Certifications and Achievements section: Lists any certifications specific to your program (ex. For Hospitality: Smart Serve, Health and Safety, AODA, etc. For Health Programs: First Aid/CPR, RN number, etc). List any achievements relevant to your program, too.</p>

NECESSARY FORMATTING:

	Resume should not exceed 2 full pages.
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	Layout is structurally correct.
	Resume is tailored to your specific program of study / industry.
	Spelling / Grammar is correct.
	Work / Education sections are in chronological order, with most recent work/study at top of the list, and oldest at the bottom.
	Job descriptions are specific and worded clearly for employer to understand the tasks at hand.
	Font is coherent throughout the resume.
	Font size is not dramatic.
	References should not be provided in the resume.