



For

Résumé

The résumé *that gets shortlisted.*

One page, projects first, a number in every line.

Made with engineers who **work at Microsoft and Atlassian** and **teach at NYC.**





Before you take advice, you should know who it comes from.

Made with engineers who work at Microsoft and Atlassian *and teach at NYC.*



Swapnil

Forward Deployed Engineer, Microsoft

Works on Microsoft Teams. Teaches Full Stack Engineering at NYC.



Akshay

Senior Software Engineer, Atlassian

Worked on UPI payments at Jio Platforms. Teaches DSA at NYC.

They speak for themselves, not for their employers.



Our students' résumés *have proof on them.*

Live classes, five days a week.



EVERY
PROJECT

Projects with live links

EVERY
PROJECT

Reviewed by an engineer

INTERNSHIP
PREPARATION

Résumé reviews

They were where you are. *Now they are hired.*

Students who learnt with our team at Sheryians Coding School.

➤ Now at **Zithara**

“My college had no real placement scene, so I took the chance. I only knew HTML and CSS. Every concept got clearer as the course went on.”



Shivangi Gupta

Maulana Azad College of Engineering and Technology,
Patna

[LinkedIn](#) ↗

➤ Now at **Compile Infy**

“Before, I knew only basic HTML and JavaScript and had no projects. I went on to receive about five job offers.”



Charan Buchannola

IIIT Jabalpur

[LinkedIn](#) ↗

➤ Now at **SAP Labs**

“I kept giving interviews and getting rejected. The cohort covered everything from DSA to aptitude. I got my offer letter on its very last day.”



Anurag Bansal

Vivekananda Institute of Professional Studies

[LinkedIn](#) ↗



Now, let's fix *your* *résumé*.

Eight short sections. Read them in order.

- 01 How your résumé gets read
- 02 The order that works
- 03 How to write a project line
- 04 Skills
- 05 12 checks before you send it
- 06 7 mistakes to avoid
- 07 Résumé, GitHub and LinkedIn
- 08 The one-page template

How your résumé *gets read*.

1

Software scans it Before any person

The software that scans résumés reads it first.
Write for it too.



It reads text only. No columns, tables, icons or photos.



It matches words from the job post: React, SQL, Python.



It wants standard headings: Education, Projects, Skills, Experience.



Send a PDF under 1 MB, named
Firstname-Lastname-Resume.pdf.

2

A recruiter scans it 7 seconds



The top third decides. Put your projects there.



They look for what you built, what happened and where the link is.



Numbers stop the eye: 1,200 users, 40% faster, 3 PRs merged.



Anything they cannot verify, they skip.



Shortlisted

Three numbers to remember

1

page. Two pages at 19 is a red flag.

7

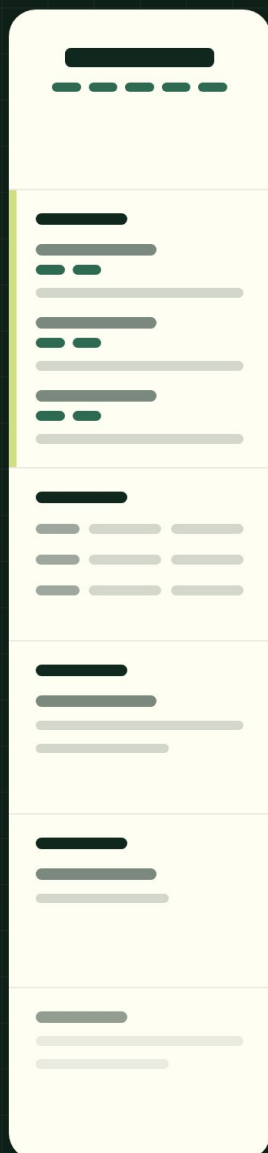
seconds of a recruiter's attention

3

projects with live links beat 10 skills.

The order *that works*.

For first and second-years with no job yet. Projects go above education.



1 · HEADER

Name and links. Phone, email, GitHub, LinkedIn and portfolio, on one line.

2 · PROJECTS Above education

3 projects. Each one has a live link, the stack, what it does and one number.

3 · SKILLS

Grouped: languages, frameworks, tools. Only what you can be quizzed on.

4 · EXPERIENCE

If you have any: an internship, open source, a hackathon win or a club role.

5 · EDUCATION

Keep it short: college, branch, year. CGPA only if it is above 8.

6 · EXTRAS

Optional: certifications that matter and competitions, one line each.

Format

0

photos, objectives or "hobbies: cricket"

10–11

pt font. Margins 0.6–0.8 inch.

1

font: Inter, Calibri or Arial

How to write *a project line*.

Before and after: the same project, rewritten



~~"Made a todo app using MERN stack."~~



"Built a shared task board for a 4-person team; 2 weeks of daily use; deployed on Railway with CI."



~~"Worked on ML project."~~



"Trained a churn model (82% F1) on 50k rows; wrote the evaluation that caught a data leak."

The formula: what + how + result

PROJECTS

Campus Library · React, Node, PostgreSQL · [live](#) · [code](#)

- Built a library search with AI answers grounded in the catalogue; 300+ searches in week one.
- Added auth and rate limiting after a review found an open endpoint.

Every project line has 4 parts



A verb
Built



A stack
React, Node,
PostgreSQL



A number
300+ searches in
week one



A link
live · code. No link,
no line.



At NYC: every project goes online, so a recruiter can open it. Before a project goes on the résumé, an engineer reviews it.

Skills they can *quiz you on*.



LANGUAGES · MAX 4

C++

Python

JavaScript

SQL

List them in the order you are strongest.



FRAMEWORKS · MAX 5

React

Node

Express

Next.js

Tailwind

Only what is in a project above.



TOOLS · MAX 5

Git

Docker

Postman

Linux

VS Code

Nobody lists "MS Word".

Delete these lines



"Proficient in MS Office"



"Basic knowledge of Java"



"Good communication skills"



Any logo, star rating or progress bar



"References available on request"

Add these, if they are true



Open source: "Contributor, X (3 merged PRs)"



Hackathon: "Winner, Y hackathon, 2025 (team of 3)"



Ratings: LeetCode or Codeforces, only if above 1600 or 1400.



Certifications only from AWS, Google Cloud, or the course you actually finished.

12 checks *before you send it.*

It takes two minutes

- ✓ It is one page, saved as a PDF.
- ✓ Your name and links are on line 1.
- ✓ Every link actually opens.
- ✓ Projects sit above education.
- ✓ Every project has a number.
- ✓ Every project has a live link.
- ✓ Your skills match the words in the job post.
- ✓ There is no photo and no objective.
- ✓ You use standard headings only.
- ✓ There are no tables or columns.
- ✓ A friend has checked the spelling.
- ✓ The file is named Firstname-Lastname-Resume.pdf.

Then

1

version per company type. Tweak the top project.

5

people read it before a recruiter does.

30

minutes to rebuild it with this guide.



At NYC: internship preparation includes résumé reviews, referrals and mock interviews with engineers.

7 mistakes that *get résumés rejected.*

✕ 1. ~~A two-column Canva template~~

✓ Use one column. The scanning software reads two columns as one scrambled column, and rejects it before a human sees it.

✕ 2. ~~Projects without links~~

✓ Add a link to every project. If they cannot check it, they do not see it.

✕ 3. ~~"Worked on" everything~~

✓ Say what you did: built, fixed, deployed, tested, wrote.

✕ 4. ~~Listing tutorials as projects~~

✓ A clone from YouTube is a tutorial. Change the problem and the user, then list it.

✕ 5. ~~Skills you cannot defend~~

✓ List only what you can defend. The first interview question will be about the weakest skill you listed.

✕ 6. ~~The same résumé for every role~~

✓ Change the top project. The top project for a frontend role is not the top project for a data role.

✕ 7. ~~Sending a Word file~~

✓ Send a PDF, always. The formatting survives.

Your résumé, GitHub and LinkedIn *tell the same story.*

Recruiters open all three



GITHUB · PIN 3 REPOS

Project 1

Project 2

Project 3

Each README has a screenshot, a live link and how to run it.



LINKEDIN · HEADLINE AND FEATURED

Project 1

Project 2

Project 3

Headline: "CS student · building X · open to SDE internships". Featured: the same links.



PORTFOLIO · OPTIONAL

Project 1

Project 2

Project 3

One page, three cards, your résumé as a button. Not a 12-page site.

WHEN YOU SEND IT: THREE LINES

Who you are.

One project link.

One specific ask.
PDF attached

✕ ~~Dear Sir/Madam, I hope this finds you well.~~

ONE WEEK LATER: ONE LINE, THEN STOP

Following up on my application for X. Here is a new project since: link.

Copy this *one-page* template.

Firstname Lastname

city · +91 98xxx · you@email · github.com/you ·
linkedin.com/in/you · you.dev

PROJECTS

Project name · stack · [live](#) · [code](#)

Built X for Y; result with a number. One decision you made and why.

Project name · stack · [live](#) · [code](#)

Built X for Y; result with a number.

Project name · stack · [live](#) · [code](#)

Built X for Y; result with a number.

SKILLS

Languages: ... · Frameworks: ... · Tools: ...

EXPERIENCE / OPEN SOURCE

Role, org, dates · one line with a number or a link

EDUCATION

B.Tech CSE, College, 2024–2028 · CGPA 8.4

How long it takes

10 min

Copy it

20 min

Fill it in

5

people read it

We teach this *in internship preparation.*

● ● ● nyc · course

Covers this plan



WE TEACH THIS

Internship preparation add-on

Internship preparation at NYC: a mentor reviews your résumé line by line, then timed tests and mock interviews.

 Live classes Engineer reviews For: **Software engineer intern (SDE)** [Talk to an advisor](#)

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Guide by the NYC team, 2026. Based on how applicant-tracking systems and campus recruiters screen first-year résumés. NYC does not guarantee employment or selection.