

Tippie College of Business

# Resume Rehab: Shifting toward a function-based resume

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### Welcome! I'm Cindy.

- → Functional experience: Sales, marketing, events, programming/instruction, management, budgeting, and client services
- → Industry experience: Healthcare, technology, financial services, profit/non-profit, and higher education
- → Background at Tippie: Career and professional development programming; instruction; coaching of MBA, graduate, and undergraduate students
- → I have/use a functional resume
- → Be warned, the examples are small
- → Let's jump in!





### **Agenda**

- → Resume Types
- → Dos & Don'ts
- → Functional Resumes
  - What are they?
  - Advantages
  - Examples
  - Getting started
- → Skill Areas & LinkedIn
- →Q&A





### Types of resumes

- → Chronological
  - 1 page
  - 2 page
- → Design style or infographic
- → Federal
- → Curriculum Vitae (CV)
- → Nontraditional
  - Video
  - Digital
  - Portfolio
- → Functional
  - 1 page
  - 2 page

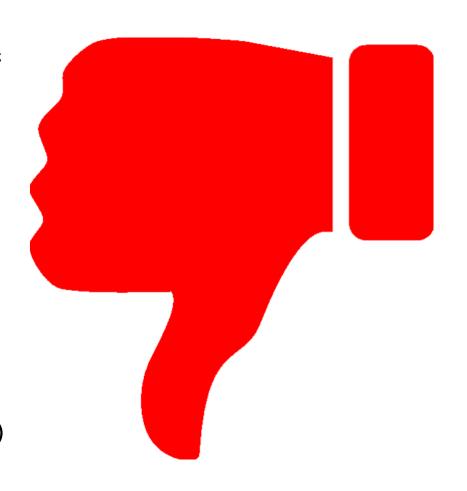






### All resumes should avoid

- → Templates—simply use a Word doc
- → Italics
- → Statements more than two lines long
- → Too much:
  - White space, design, fonts, indents, tabs, etc.
  - Content
- → Personal information
- → "References available upon request" statements
- → Exceeding two pages (single sided)







### All resumes should

- → Include dates—degrees, employment, awards,
- → Be balanced (dates lined up on the right side of the page)
- → Be error free—spell check!
- → Be easy to skim
- → Be accurate and truthful
- → Be tailored
- → Quantify your skills, abilities, and expertise
- → Be saved as a PDF (F. LName)
- → Make you feel confident







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résumé (re-zə-ˌmā •) ˌre-zə-'mā,
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A functional resume focuses on skills, expertise and experience rather than chronological work history.

It's particularly useful for those who are changing careers, have gaps in their employment history, or have diverse work experiences.





### **Advantages**

- Emphasizes skills over point in time
- Highlights relevant experience
- Showcases transferable skills
- Downplays less-relevant experience
- Highlights expertise and results
- Minimizes employment gaps and shifts
- Easily customizable







### **Format & Parts**

- Summary/Highlight
  - Match key words
  - Consideration for UI roles
  - "Combined experience" early career
- Skills and Competencies
- Experience/History
- Education
- Additional information
  - Unique skills/talents
  - Interests

### **Functional resume format**

### Summary

Experienced customer service representative with a proven track record of boosting month-to-month sales. Able to predict, evaluate, and meet the specific needs of customers while maintaining an efficient work schedule. Awarded "Employee of the Month" for consistently receiving positive feedback. Seeking to leverage my experience in customer service to fill the Sales Clerk position at Blarney's.

### **Relevant Skills**

### **Customer Service**

- Receive an average score of +95% on customer service feedback surveys by providing a friendly instore environment
- Enhance the customer experience by providing quality assistance and in-depth product knowledge
- · Educate customers on up-and-coming brands and the latest fashion trends

### Sales

- Exceeded sales goals an average of 10% for 5 straight months at GAP
- Upsell customers through the recommendation of products that meet their specific needs
- Process 30+ customer transactions a day, factoring sales, discounts, and promotions into the final price

### Merchandising

- Restock and organize new shipments of inventory in a timely manner, cutting average of 2 days
  off the merchandising process
- Develop and create unique displays that attract customers to a desired product

### **Professional Experience**

Ulta, Manhattan, NY
Sales Clerk
20XX-20XX
Sales Representative
20XX-20XX

GAP, Albany, NY

Jr. Sales Representative

### Education

Bachelor of Science in Business Administration (concentration: finance) Honors: cum laude (GPA: 3.7/4.0) **Louisiana State University, Baton Rouge, LA** *May 20XX* 





### Example 1

### FirstName LastName

LinkedIn URL

TFI: ###-###-####

youremail@gmail.com

### HIGHLIGHT OF QUALIFICATIONS

- Over 20 years combined experience in office and store management in small business and corporate environments focused on achieving and exceeding company goals and expectations, and maintaining a strong relationship
- Experience in P & L, daily accounting, budgeting, forecasting, and payroll functions with a successful history of meeting and beating established budgets and goals through strong fiscal responsibility
- Designated point of contact for local and national vendors, patent and corporate attorneys, financial institutions, employees, and management. Other areas to highlight—teaming, leadership technical

### PROJECT MANAGEMENT

- Centralized and administered confidential corporate legal and investor documentation
- Developed and implemented administrative policies and procedures for office staff, co-workers and senior management to ensure an efficient, effective and productive office
- Oversaw and performed office management tasks; answering phones, greeting clients, handling customer concerns
- · Handled shipping and receiving, vendor management and customer follow up through systematic communication
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### LEADERSHIP/MANAGEMENT

- Recruited, interviewed and assisted in the selection of professionals essential to company success by working with
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- Worked with immigration attorney to successfully process the following work visas: Optional Practical Training (OPT), H-1B, and F-1. Also started employer-sponsored green card process
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- Performed annual review and selection of employee health, dental and disability insurance
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### **OPERATIONS & BUDGET**

- Supervised team responsible for cable system building monitoring by watching and responding to system alarms
- Established and managed lawn care/snow removal, cleaning/security contracts for office and cable system buildings
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### EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

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### EDUCATION

The University of Iowa, Tippie B School of Management Iowa City, IA Masters of Business Administration DATE

Undergraduate Institution Here City, ST
Bachelor of Arts: Psychology DATE

Minor: Human Relations

### ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- . List Leadership, personal achievement, technical, or other special skills here
- Language Proficiencies





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•	Association of Student Advancement Programs (ASAP)	DATE
•	Iowa City Chamber of Commerce	DATE

### Language Proficiencies

### TECHNICAL SKILLS

Microsoft Office, AS/400, ICIS (Intelligent Customer Interface Sales System), Sales Logix (database), ICE-Net (database), MBAFocus/GradLeader, Handshake, ICON, MAUI, BGI and Internet.





### **Getting Started**

- → Use your current chronological resume
- → The bullet points of your resume are blocks
  - Move
  - Rearrange
  - Group
  - Delete



### First, Use Your Chronological Resume

### YOUR NAME HERE

Telephone • E-mail • LinkedIn Profile

### **FDUCATION**

HENRY B. TIPPIE SCHOOL OF MANAGEMENT, UNIVERSITY OF IOWA

Iowa City IA Month / Year

Master of Business Administration, Concentration/Academy

. Honors, GMAT, GPA, Certifications, Assistantships, Leadership of Student Organizations, etc.

. Course highlights, unpaid consulting (eg; Business Solutions Center projects, Marketing Field Studies, etc.)

### UNDERGRADUATE INSTITUTION

City, ST (or Country) Month / Year

· Honors, GPA, Certifications, Athletics, Assistantships, etc.

### TECHNICAL

- . Tools: R, Phyton, Bloomberg, etc.
- · Methodologies: skilled in artificial intelligence
- · Projects: group and classroom project-based experiences here

### EXPERIENCE

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City, ST (or Country)

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COMPANY NAME City, ST (or Country)

07/2005 - 09/2009

- · Contacted first-time customers to elicited feedback on purchasing experience; actively listened and responded to product concerns, documented issues, and reported to marketing department resulting in higher customer satisfaction
- · Validated biochemical and toxins purchasing eligibility per federal regulations; required attention to detail, management of large amounts of data, and verification of approval list to validate customers
- · Analyzed spreadsheet of back ordered products; contacted customers to determine shipment procedures leading to increase in customer's satisfaction based on expedited shipping

City, ST (or Country) 08/2001 - 06/2005

COMPANY NAME

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Date

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- → Rearrange, find balance
- → Identify gaps
- → No need to reference company name in bullets
- → Don't name skill sections (yet)

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- <u>Technical</u> or Special Skills





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### Finally, Add Skill Titles

- → Team Collaboration& Leadership
- → Strategic Decision-Making & Communication
- → Problem-Solving & Results
- → Technical & Programming

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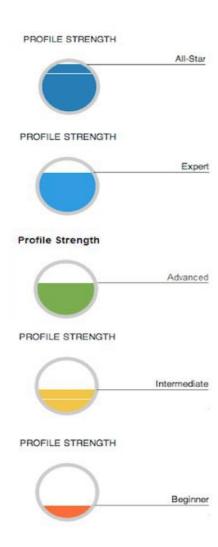
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### Your Skill Areas & LinkedIn



### Completing your LinkedIn profile

- 1. Custom URL
- 2. Add a profile picture
- 3. List all the jobs or positions you've held
- 4. Have strengths/keywords listed on your profile
- 5. Write a summary about yourself
- 6. Identify your key location & contact information
- 7. Complete your educational history
- 8. The more connections the better!







### Use the skill areas from resume

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- → Strategic Decision-Making & Communication
- → Problem Solving & Results
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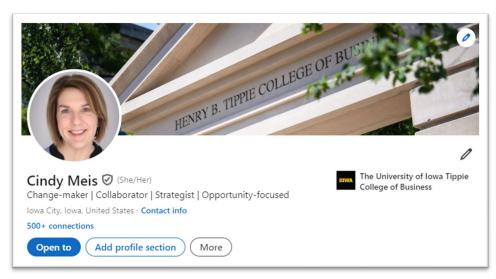
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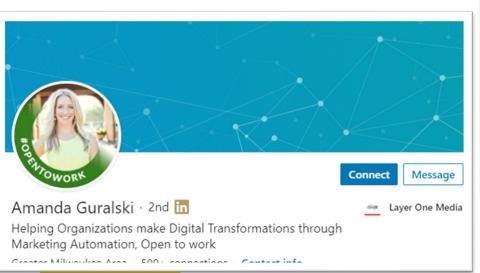
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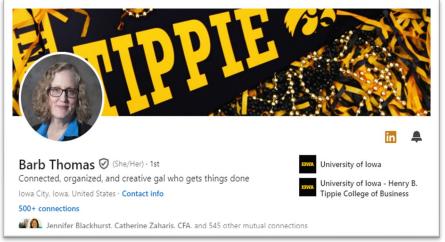




### LinkedIn: Headline













### LinkedIn: About

With professional experience in retail and higher education industries, Cal is passionate about assisting organizations in building robust workforce pipelines with early career talent. He believes people are at the core of any successful organization and aims to bridge people and business together. In his current role, he is leveraging his business acumen in strategic planning, project management, and career programming to connect undergraduate business students with career opportunities.

Early Career Talent | Campus Recruiting | Employer Relations | Career Development & Coaching

Making the world safer, smarter, and more secure

Creative problem solver, a strategic connector, and a purpose-driven soul that charts my path.

I am the Executive Director of the University of Iowa's Vaughan Institute, and a seasoned entrepreneur with a strong track record of success in the insurtech, insurance and marketing technology industries.

I'm passionate about people, innovation, creativity, and developing excellent brand positioning strategies within competitive brick & mortar and e-commerce retail landscapes. I believe in the power of diverse teams and creative thinking to tackle social and marketplace challenges. I'm most inspired when I'm working on projects that have an impact on people's quality of life - such as healthcare, sustainability, innovation, and technology.





### LinkedIn: Experience



### Goldman Sachs-Private Wealth Management

Goldman Sachs

Apr 2001 - Oct 2001 · 7 mos

Chicago, IL

Assistant to the Managing Director

The details matter in everything—reporting, presentations, and team and customer interactions.



### coolsavings.com Client Services

Q Interactive (coolsavings.com)

Oct 2000 - Mar 2001 · 6 mos Chicago, IL

Account Manager

Asking questions and listening helps me uncover the "pain-point" of the customer and allows me to create opportunities to showcase their business and products.



### Retek (\*acquired by Oracle Retail)

Rete

Nov 1999 - Oct 2000 · 1 yr

Greater Minneapolis-St. Paul Area

Marketing Coordinator

Focused on grass-roots marketing efforts and always willing to make the call and go the extra mile allowed promote the brand to global retailers.



### **Direct Supply Healthcare**

Direct Supply

Aug 1996 - Nov 1999 · 3 yrs 4 mos

Greater Milwaukee Area

Senior Account Manager

Nothing about sales is hard. You have to be willing to make the ask, listen, and respond with outrageous customer service.

Sales Mentor: 3-month program (Sept 1997, Mar 1998, Aug 1998, & Mar 1999)

### Experience



### Principal Financial Group

7 yrs 3 mos

Talent Acquisition Program Consultant - Internship Program Manager

Full-time

Jan 2022 - Present · 2 yrs 7 mos

Des Moines, Iowa, United States · Hybrid

Internship Program Manager - Partnering on and leading our early career talent recruiting, sourcing, and programming strategies.

♥ Data Visualization, People Management and +16 skills

Growth Assignment-Intern Recruiter

Full-time

Jul 2021 - Jan 2022 · 7 mos

Des Moines, IA

♥ Organization Skills, Microsoft Office and +2 skills

Software Engineer III

Full-time

Mar 2021 - Jan 2022 · 11 mos

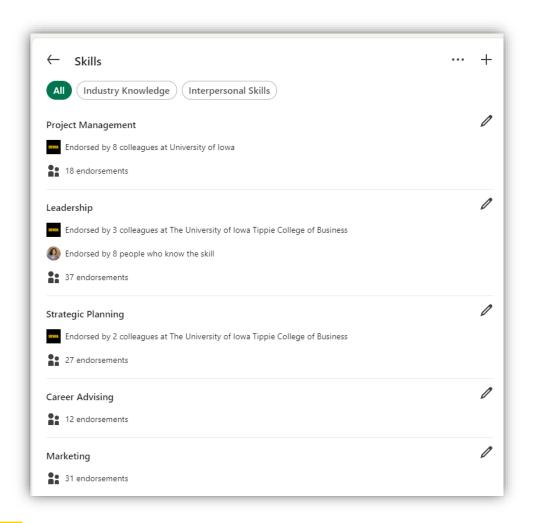
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### **LinkedIn: Skills & Endorsements**







###