General Sections

This is an example of sections that are generally found in a CV with guidelines on how to include descriptions of the information in each sections.

Your Name

City, County | Email Address | Phone Number | LinkedIn URL

Education

University Name City, County

Month Year - Month Year

Academic Degree (i.e. BSc/MA etc in Name of Degree)

- Classification: if still studying state predicted grade OR grade achieved to date
- Don't need to separate by year of study
- Relevant Coursework/Project/Dissertation or major final project: include the tiles and then describe how its relevant to the role, company, or sector.

Other/Study Abroad University City, Country

Term / Month & Year

Subject/focus

College, City, County

Month & Year

• List the qualification you achieved in a row.

Secondary School, City, County

Month & Year

• Summarise your GCSEs into one bullet point - for example achieved 10 GCSE's grade 9-4 including English Language (8), Mathematics (9) and Triple Science (888).

(How to include non-UK qualifications)

Institutions you studied City, Country

Month & Year

Qualification/ course title - include relevant information like Subject/focus.

Experience / Relevant Experience

Company/Business/Organisation City, County

Position Title

Dates Position Held (Month Year – Present/ Month Year)

- List experiences in reverse chronological order (most recent experiences on top and least recent on bottom)
- Explanation of duties, role in organisation, describing the difference you made in the position in no more than 2 lines
- Use action verbs at the beginning of each statement.
- Describe what you accomplished in your position and give numbers indicating achievements.

Company/Business/Organisation City, County

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Skills and Interests/ Award and Achievements

- Digital Skills: Proficient in Microsoft Office (List Programs), List other computer skills
- Languages: List languages and your proficiency level
- Interests: List activities you enjoy that may spark interview conversation

Optional Sections

Profile

A profile section usually tends to be the first section underneath your contact details. Have a look at the targetjobs blog on 'Are personal statements a waste of space on graduate CVs' and if you decide to include a profile then make sure you're not just listing your capabilities but it demonstrates your career goals, motivation for the role/sector and highlights your unique selling points.

Laboratory Skills / Technical Skills

- Have a look at the Warwick career blog on 'How to turn university work into experience on your CV' for some useful tips on how you can showcase yours skills and knowledge in the education section
- Could consider moving this section above the Experience section.

Voluntary Experience / Other Experience Organisation/Association/Society City, County

Position Title Month Year - Month Year

- Describe your interests and demonstrate the transferable skills the recruiters are searching for.
- Explanation of duties, role in organisation, describing the difference you made in the position.
- Describe what you accomplished in your position and give numbers like positions in your experience section.
- Based on relevance and experience, consider moving this section above your Experience section

Research Experience/Teaching Experience Organisation/Institution/Research Centre City, County Position Title

Month Year - Month Year

• Describe the project or position and your accomplishments.

Publications/Conferences/Workshops

- Relevant to academic roles
- Keep the formatting consistent with the other sections.

Professional Memberships

- State the type of membership or affiliations.
- Include information about its relevance and what you gain from the membership or affiliation.

Reference

• Can include 'References available on request' if you have space.