RESUME WRITING CHECKLIST

As you're writing your resume, use this checklist to ensure your resume is the strongest it can be before submitting to employers.

| GENERAL / FORMATTING | YES | NO |
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| Resume fits on 1 page: Case by case basis for "two pages". It doesn't have to be | | |
| the same format, as long as it looks professional. | | |
| No spelling errors, grammatical errors, or typos. No abbreviations, no usage of | | |
| "I,You,We". | | |
| Margins and spacing are consistent throughout | | |
| All section headers (SKILLS, WORK EXPERIENCE, e.g.), organization names, and | | |
| position titles (include intern in title) are aligned: Different sites have different | | |
| templates in terms of left, right, and center headings. Resume scripter left right | | |
| and center headings, falls into place with it being aligned. Resumes don't have | | |
| to look the same, they just have to be professional. | | |
| All bullet points for Power Statements and Skills are aligned: Power statements | | |
| begin with an action verb and not a personal pronoun. Minimum of three | | |
| bullets | | |
| Bold, italics, font, font size, and capitalization are consistent throughout. If | | |
| people have two sentences on a single bullet point, separate into two. | | |

| HEADING | YES | NO |
|---|-----|----|
| Name, phone number, email address, and city are at the top: Email address | | |
| must be professional at the top, if not use Year Up email address temporarily | | |
| until the professional email is created. ** ISEM LinkedIn is required on resume | | |
| Please use LinkedIn hyperlink). | | |
| Email address is professional (we suggest using a @gmail.com account that | | |
| includes your name / initials only) | | |

| SKILLS | YES | NO |
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| Skills listed are specific (a specific software, tool, or skillset), and not too broad | | |
| (e.g., "hard working" or "reliable") | | |
| Skills listed align with experiences you listed in your Work Experience section | | |

| WORK EXPERIENCE | YES | NO |
|---|-----|----|
| Each position header includes organization/company, position title, city, state, | | |
| and start/end dates. All headers are capitalized | | |
| All start/end dates are consistent, especially spacing and dash size (Dec. 2013 – | | |
| Jan. 2015) | | |
| Format of city/state is consistent (Boston, MA) | | |
| The work experience should include the internship specific terminology, this is | | |
| mandatory. | | |