# When should I use a chronological type of resume?

A chronological resume presents your education and work experience in a straightforward, reverse chronological order. If the majority of your work experience is related to your objective, the chronological style can be effective.

# Outline of layout structure

## NAME

Phone number with area code  
Email address | LinkedIn URL  
City, State (optional, not necessary)

## SUMMARY OF QUALIFICATIONS or HIGHLIGHTS

A summary of qualifications is optional, but can be used to feature desirable qualifications or experiences you have. You want to use keywords from the job description in this section to not only customize your resume, but also break through the initial screening process. Some companies (often large scale) have automated databases that detect select keywords to efficiently manage applications.

## EDUCATION

List your most recent degree first, major, institution and date of graduation or anticipated graduation. May note GPA if it is greater than 3.5, or academic honors if desired. You may wish to add an addendum that identifies the courses you have taken grouped into two or three meaningful categories.

## EXPERIENCE

Your title, name of organization, description of your duties, level of responsibility, number of people supervised, special accomplishments, and dates. This category may include all relevant experience both paid and volunteer.

## PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

Position held (if appropriate), name of organization and dates.