Resume Checklist

General Tips

- ___ 1 page is recommended, but do not be afraid of using 2
- __ Do not use personal pronouns such as me, my, and I.

__ Consistent in format; regarding things such as periods to end bullet points, how dates are listed, font style & size, margins, section headings, indentations, etc...

- ____ Use bullet points to describe experiences, volunteer work, clubs, or sports
- ____ Use font size 10-12 for bullet points, 10-14 for section headings, 18-30 for your name
- __ Check for spelling errors, remove contractions, and remove abbreviations
- __ Leave off references including "references available upon request
- _ Do NOT use a template. They are difficult to edit and add to in the future.

Contact Info

- __ First and Last Name
- __ City, State, and zip code
- ____ Telephone number including area code (make sure your voicemail is set up)
- __ email address (personal email)

Objective or Summary

- ___2-4 sentences
- __ "I" statements acceptable here but not necessary

___ Provide information on what type of work (FT, PT, or Intern) and field (HR, Accounting, Teaching, Nursing, Research Assistant, Analyst, or Counseling) you are interested in

_ Avoid using "either/or" statements, be specific

Skills

__ Include computer experience, languages, certifications, special training, equipment, software, platforms, etc

__ Information in this section should be relevant to the position you are applying for

Education

- __ Name of your university (Thomas More University)
- __ City and State
- __List the degree you will obtain NOT your major

- ___ List your minor or concentration (if applicable)
- __ Dates: Follow the below examples for how to provide your dates
 - Underclassmen: August 2021-present
 - Upperclassmen: Expected Graduation: May 2026
 - Alumni: May 2018
- __ Listing your GPA is optional. Only list GPAs of 3.8 or above
- ___Additional info: Relevant coursework or awards (not scholarships)
- __ Include previously attended colleges. Include all the same information from above

DO NOT LIST YOUR HIGH SCHOOL

Experience (Work, Internship, or Volunteer)

- __Order experience from most recent to least recent, according to end date
- __ List the organization's name from each experience (do NOT include contact info)
- ___ List the city and state of where you worked or list "remote"
- __ Provide job title
- __Include the dates you were involved with the organization (month/year)

___ Start with an action verb or phrase at the beginning of each bullet point describing the responsibilities or measurable results achieved with each role. Prioritize measurable results.

___ Write verbs in the correct tense (past or present) If you are still working there, use the present tense. If you no longer work there, use the past tense

___When possible include "how much", "how many", "how often"

Be specific but concise.

Additional Section Ideas (optional)

- Honors and awards
- University Involvement
- Publications
- Collegiate Athletics
- Community Involvement
- Presentations