

# Functional & Combination Resume

# What is a Functional Resume?

- Functional resume focuses on transferable skills and abilities.
- Functional resumes allow you to group your work history by categories.
- Does not list dates for employment history.
- Functional resume is primarily used by:
  - 1) Job seekers changing careers.
  - 2) Job seekers that have employment gaps.
  - 3) Job seekers that have little to no work experience
  - 4) Job seekers that frequently changed jobs, may have many years of varied work experience

# What is a Combination Resume?

- Combination resume uses components from both chronological and functional resumes.
- Combination resume leads with a description of functional skills and related qualifications.
- The skills and related qualifications is followed by a reverse chronological employment history (most recent experience first).
- It does include dates for employment history.
- Combination Resume is primarily used by:
  - 1) Students, new graduates and entry level workers.
  - 2) Workers with a steady, consistent employment history.
  - 3) Career changers
  - 4) Workers that are re-entering the work force.
  - 5) Older workers

# Ten Pointers: What to DO or AVOID

# What to Do

- Categorize skill by job function. (eg: Sales, customer service, marketing)
- Use reverse chronological order, most recent experience first.
- Use action or descriptive words in clear phrases to highlight skills.
- Describe accomplishments, not just responsibilities.
- Use past or present tense consistently in each phrase.

# What to Avoid

- Avoid using resume templates, Create your own.
- Avoid using phrases that include "I" or "My".
- Avoid exaggerating your experience.
- Avoid including personal information such as marital status or social security number.
- Avoid using flashy graphics or colored paper.

# Functional Resumes:

A Functional resume is also known as a skill-based resume.

# Combination resumes:

A combination resume is also known as a hybrid resume.
Combining both the chronological and the functional as one

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# **Located:**

Crafton Center 220, Second Floor

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# Website:

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## **Sample Functional Resume**

#### Joseph Jobs

11711 Sand Canyon Road, Yucaipa, CA 92399
Cell: (909) 386-3366 Email: J.Jobs@lwannawork.net

#### OBJECTIVE:

Seeking a general office position, with focus on office settings

#### SUMMARY:

- · Over 12 years experience working in diverse office settings.
- Accurately type 40 words per minute. Proficient in Microsoft Word and the internet.
- Quick learner who can easily adapt to new responsibilities.
- . Cooperative, flexible, and dependable. Known for getting the job done efficiently.

#### OFFICE SUPPORT SKILLS & EXPERIENCE:

## Office Support & Bookkeeping

- . Type articles for the reporter, consistently completing assignments within strict deadlines
- . As Billing Rate Clerk, balanced over 100 accounts and sent statements to customers at the end
- Assisted Credit Manager at Highway Express in account collection by phone and email, decreasing unpaid accounts by 20%.
- · Provided skills and outstanding support in:
  - - Answering Phones - Distributing Mail

- Issuing Receipts
- Payroll Accounting
  Shipping & Receiving
  Record Keeping

#### **Communications & Customer Relations**

- Established excellent rapport with co-workers and clients in every position
- Courteously provided information and assistance at Cruise Ship Services and at Pat O'Brien's.
- Served as liaison to impress communications between multiple departments at Cruise Ship Services, Pat O'Brian's, Highway Express, and Omega Lines.
- . Answered and directed telephone calls as a temporary office worker for Kelly Services.

#### WORK EXPERIENCE:

The Reporter, San Francisco, CA rne reporter, San Francisco, CA
Temporary Office Assistant
Driver
Cruise Ship Services, Los Angeles, CA
Doorman
Pat O'Brian's, Los Angeles, CA 
 Doorman
 Pat O Brian's, Los Angeies, CA

 Billing Rate Clerk
 Highway Express, Los Angeles, CA

 Payroll Administrator
 Omega Lines Transportation, Los Angeles, CA

· Associate of Science in Business Administration Crafton Hills College, Yucaipa, CA

May 20XX

# Sample Combination Resume

#### Joanna Jobs

Street Address - City, State Zip 909-389-3399 - Jojobs@Iwannawork.edu

Entrepreneurial and results-oriented leader with marketing and sales experience. Core competencies include:

 Branding Strategy Market Research

Product Development

Web Development

#### SELECTED ACCOMPLISHMENTS

#### Market Research & Branding

- Performed competitive analysis of Lego Bionicle brand as marketing model for \$5,000,000 Zoids
  Blox business.
   Analyzed Transformers brand collector base and proposed actions to develop collector business from
  13% to 15% or \$13,000,000 of total revenue.
   Assessed market demand for European luxury linens. Directed production, receipt and marketing of
  \$100,000 program.

Launched \$30,000 antique art business in less than 6 months.

Grew retail comforter business by 25% to \$6,000,000 in annual sales. Planned comforter assortment designed advertising layousts and negodiated promotions.

#### Personnel Management

- Coordinated engineers, sales force and vendors to merchandise,
   Promoted and develop functionality in channels.
   Recruited, hired, and trained entry level and mid career professior
   Managed performance appraisal process for up to 8 direct reports.
   Coordinated incentive and recognition programs.

#### EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

Founder and Owner, My Thriving Company, San Bernardino, CA 20XX-20XX

- Responded to online auction opportunity by reorganizing business plan and marketing strategy from
  offline wholesale to online retail. Grew business by 60%.
   Sold merchandise through Parish Blue Internet site, Ebuy and trade publications.
- Assistant Buyer, Any Company, Beaumont, CA
- Assisted in management of \$18,000,000 home textiles business.
   Awarded May Company Sales Increase Award for Fall 20XX and Spring 20XX.

#### EDUCATION

California State University Polytechnic Pomona, Pomona, CA

Bachelor of Science in Business with an emphasis in Marketing and International Business

Awards: Scholarship for Excellence in Marketing

# Other Skill Categories:

- Research
- Fund Raising
- Training
- Administration
- Client Relations

20XX-20XX

- Event Planning
- Management
- Human Services
- Facilitating
- Product

- Team Building
- Office Support
- Medical Services
- Record Keeping
- Development

- Leadership
- Analysis
- Program

- Sales

- Advertising
- Supervision

- Marketing - Scheduling
- Retailing - Teaching
- Development
- Coordination

# **Action Verbs:**

# **Management and Leadership Skills:**

Administered Analyzed Assigned Attained Consolidated Developed Directed Evaluated Executed Improved Increased Oversaw Organized Planned Prioritized Produced Recommended Reviewed Scheduled Strengthened Supervised

# Communication:

Addressed Arranged Arbitrated Corresponded Developed Directed Drafted Edited Enlisted Influenced Interpreted Lectured Moderated Motivated Negotiated Persuaded Promoted Translated Recruited Wrote

# Organizational:

Approved Arranged Catalogued Invoiced Organized Scheduled Classified Collected Staged Assembled Complied Itemized Routed Stocked Tracked Logged Reviewed Coded Distributed Generated Provided Collected Filled