

# STUDENT RESUMÉ

## Goal: Nonacademic Leverage

**Purpose:** Your resum  is used like a business card in that it should set you apart. It summarizes things about you, especially your true passions, that are important to colleges and helps you establish your “leverage”. Currently, colleges accept, but do not require, student resum s. **Your resum  should not exceed two pages.**

**Instructions:** Your resum  should contain the heading and topics exactly as listed below. Ask your family and/or relatives for help. It should be saved and updated frequently. Make multiple copies and use them for college visits, applications, recommendations, interviews and scholarships.

\*Be sure your counselor receives your updated resum  as s/he serves three important roles: 1. “Information Provider”- provides pre-application college planning information. 2. “Application Processor”- responsible for sending your transcript, test scores and counselor’s evaluation to the colleges. 3. “Go-Between”- the person colleges often call if there are questions about your candidacy.

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**Your Full Name**  
**Complete Street Address**  
**City, State Zip Code**  
**E-Mail Address or Phone Number**

**School, Grade and Graduation Year:**

**Cumulative GPA:**

**Best ACT or SAT:** Leave blank if not taken.

**Five Words That Describe Me:**

**Careers I Am Considering:** You should list one or more.

**Passion(s):** Crucial category! Can give you vital **leverage** (helps you stand out from the crowd).

- A “true passion” is considered by colleges as any school or nonschool activity you like, are good at, dedicated to, share with others, and has three key elements:

**\*List and underline the passion**

**\*Time commitment (# of years building your passion).**

**\*Leadership (specify and describe how your passion helps you help others in one or more of the following ways: teach, tutor, mentor, plan, organize, conduct meetings, demonstrate, lead by example, research, etc).**

You can use past, present and future tenses.

Do not use more than 2-3 passions.

**Other Strong Interest(s):** If none, do not list topic.

**Other Leadership Role(s) In or Out of School:**

List and briefly describe other leadership role(s) besides your passion(s). If none, do not list topic.

**Volunteerism:** If none, do not list topic.

**Summer Activities:** List your most notable activity(s) and the year.

**Job(s):** If none, do not list topic.

**Award(s):** List and briefly describe your main award(s). If none, do not list topic.

Note: The most selective colleges look for state, regional or national awards.