Guidelines for Resume Writing

A resume is a very important part of your professional identity. Resumes are a narrative method to reflect all of your strengths and achievements. There are many different ways to construct a resume and many different schools of thought in terms of what information should be included in a resume. Bloomsburg University has a Career Development Center that has many resources related to employment including tips on resume writing. Please take some time to explore what the BU Career Development Center has to offer to students and alumni at http://www.bloomu.edu/careers.

Each prospective student intern is asked to submit a professional resume along with the Social Work Internship Screening Questionnaire to the Coordinator of Field Education as a part of their preinternship meeting. Prospective interns are asked to bring a copy of their resume along with any current clearances with them to their agency internship interview.

Some of the common elements to a resume are: name, address, contact phone number(s) and e-mail, an employment objective, information on educational background, work history, volunteer history, professional clubs and organizations, honors and achievements, references. Please see the example on the following page.

PLEASE NOTE: Only specify items such as GPA if it is a strength for you. For example, if your GPA is above 3.5, include it. If your GPA is less than 3.0, do not list it on a resume. If you have been inducted into an honor society or received an award, list it on your resume.

Please see the following example of a resume.

Ima Helper

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Objective

To expand my knowledge and experience in the field of social work by learning the necessary skills needed to work with children.

Education

Bloomsburg University of Pennsylvania

May 2014

Major: Social Work, Concentration: Children, Family & Youth

GPA: 3.2

Related Experiences Social Work

Behavioral Specialists Incorporated, BSI, Inc.

January 2014-May 2014

400 Hour internship: Completed social work internship at Behavioral Specialists Incorporated. Provided supportive interventions to youth in partial hospitalization program. Facilitated groups and coordinated activities with youth, families and caseworkers.

Danville Area Community Center; DACC

Fall 2012

80 Hour Internship: Completed introductory practice experience for social work program. Assisted other staff members at DACC with after school program for youth ages 5-12).

Companion

June 2010-June 2011

Provided supportive care to older adult in companionship program at Temple University Assisted older adult with grocery shopping, cleaning, and self-care

Employment

Sales Associate

February 2012-May 2014

Operated cash register, assisted customers as needed and assisted with stocking

Organizations and Community Service

National Association of Social Workers
Delta Phi Epsilon Sorority
Phi Alpha National Honor Society for Social Workers
Relay for Life, Participant and Fundraiser
Danville State Hospital

Honors

Dean's List President of Delta Phi Epislon Student Athlete Award

Fall 2012, Spring 2013 Fall 2013

Spring 2014

References Available Upon Request