

WEBINAR 3. This is Not Your Parents' Resume: New Ways to Tell Your Story – Webinar Outline

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- **Chat Q&A and Summary**

We will get started at 1 pm EDT!



Jeff Martin Visual Description

I'm Jeff Martin, the director of communications & public affairs for the American Anthropological Association. I am a white male with greying brown hair; I'm wearing black framed glasses, and I'm reporting to you from the cramped confines of my apartment kitchen.



Game-Changing Job Search Strategies as an Applied Anthropologist

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- **July 16:** 5 Secrets for Building Networks that Lead to Jobs
- **July 23:** This Is Not Your Parents' Resume: New Ways to Tell Your Story
- **July 30:** Facing the Interview Squad: Strategies that Impress



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Elizabeth Briody Visual Description

I am Elizabeth Briody, a white woman with eyeglasses and short hair. Today I am wearing a blue top. I am in my alcove, a little space in my house with a window.



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Dawn Lehman Visual Description

I am Dawn Lehman, a white woman with brown eyeglasses and medium-length blond hair. Today I am wearing a white top. I am sitting at my desk near a window in my home office.



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Resume Goal: Get the Interview!

Dawn Lehman, PhD, Founder and Principal, Pathways21
and Co-founder, Kids Korps USA



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Create the Appropriate Cover Letter and Resume for Your Intended Audience

One Size Doesn't Fit All!

- Structured online resumes (e.g., through government website)
- Unstructured online resumes (e.g., through job boards)
- Resumes with required cover letter
- Resumes with portfolios (e.g., showing GIS maps, UX work)
- Condensed CV
- One-page consultant summaries or one-paragraph bios



Decode the Job Ad

Don't miss the important details

- Read posting carefully (especially parts with astericks).
- Check type of submission (electronic, email, file type, word limit).
- Determine key words.
 - What words continuously show up in these type of job ads?
 - Create a wordle to show important words to use (wordle.net).



Decode the Job Ad (continued)

What are the key words?



Decode the Job Ad (continued 2)

Don't miss the important details

- Study company website (mission, vision, values)
 - Is this the type of company you want to work for?
 - Do your skills meet their needs and requirements?
 - Can you demonstrate your relevance?
- Check the employment section. Does position still exist?
- Can you send your resume/cover letter directly to company?



Connect the Dots: Business is Outcomes-based

Replace abstract responsibilities with outcomes

- Pay attention to dollars (\$)
 - How did you save dollars, grow dollars, optimize dollars?
- Pay attention to percentages (%)
 - How did you increase, decrease, maintain?
- Pay attention to absolute numbers (#)
 - How many did you create, add, serve?



Connect the Dots (continued)

Replace abstract responsibilities with outcomes

- What did your research lead to? New research? Programs?
- How was your project scaled up?
- What was the result of your paper or LinkedIn blog?
- How did your internship help the company?
- How did your volunteer work impact the organization?



Catch Recruiters' Attention with a "T" Cover Letter

- **Opening paragraph:** It is a brief introduction of who you are and position you are interested in (2-3 sentences). Then write: *"Below is a comparison of your job requirements and my qualifications."*
- **Middle section:** "T" chart. Create a vertical line under the first paragraph to divide the page into two equal spaces: Column on left is labeled "Job Requirements"; column on right is labeled, "My Qualifications."
(See full instructions by Michael Spiro in Webinar References.)
- **Closing paragraph:** Why you are a good fit for the position. Call to action.



Catch Recruiters' Attention with a "T" Cover Letter (continued)

Job Requirements	My Qualifications
Master's Degree in Behavioral Economics, Cultural or Social Anthropology, Human Factors, Consumer Psychology, or related field; PhD preferred	PhD in Cultural Anthropology BA in Marketing Communications
5-8+ years of practical experience in consumer insights, behavioral science, or related field	10+ years' experience in consumer insight research in public, private, and nonprofit sectors
4+ years of experience in Advanced Analytics or Data Mining	10+ years' experience in data analytics/data mining; extensive experience triangulating qualitative and quantitative data and generating insights leading to organizational improvements, quality customer experiences, and consumer marketing campaigns



Jo Aiken Visual Description

I am Jo Aiken, a woman with shoulder-length, dark hair. I am sitting in my home office / art studio. There is a window behind me and art pieces hanging on the white wall above.



Resumes for US Government Jobs (+ Tips for navigating online systems)

Jo Aiken, PhD, University College London



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A Federal Resume vs. A Private Sector Resume

- A **federal resume** is typically multiple pages and includes a detailed description of your work experience.
- A **private sector resume** is typically two pages and provides a brief synopsis of your work history.

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Human Resources Development Representative
ABC Federal Agency
Series: 201 Pay Plan: GS Grade: 13
Title: HR SPECIALIST (This is a Federal job)
January 2018 – present
Hours per week: 40

Duties, Accomplishments, and Related Skills:

Serve as Lead Human Resources Development Representative (HRDR) on Human Resources (HR) team with two other HRDR's and three Human Resources Representative's (HRR) supporting the ABC Operations Directorate (AOD). Collectively, the team supports AOD regarding strategic needs of organization and provides workforce and change management strategies and solutions to achieve strategic goals and objectives. I partner with the HRR lead to determine strategy for HR team's priorities to ensure support is aligned and optimized to meet needs of organization.

AOD is currently undergoing a merger with the ABC Facilities Directorate, both legacy organizations with very strong and distinct cultures and both largely resistant to change. The HRR lead and I consulted with Director on various change management principles and strategies to employ with both the leadership team and overall workforce and planned four offsite retreats with new leadership team. I organized and facilitated a one-day offsite retreat just three days after Director was named to share his background and leadership style, high level vision for organization, discuss challenges and opportunities, get input on organizational decisions, and determine near term strategy and next steps. Three weeks later, I led a three-day retreat focused on identifying vision, mission, values, and priorities of new organization. Four months later, three-day retreat to hear recommendations from task team chartered to find efficiencies and budget reductions as well as identify top strategic goals for year. All three retreats achieved objectives but up to this point, attention had been focused on the technical and tactical issues necessary to continue safe operations but there were still cultural challenges and growing tension between legacy orgs. Three-day offsite training four months later focused solely on team building – building trust, removing barriers, and the ability to handle conflict. I led the AOD leadership in identifying barriers and sources of conflict utilizing the Kolb Learning Cycle, a theory of experiential learning, the Waterline Model, a team diagnostic tool, Thomas-Kilmann Conflict Mode Instrument, and several interactive team building activities.

As team lead, I work closely with two HRDR's on the AOD team to collaborate, identify themes across agency divisions, and ensure we are addressing all needs of organization. This includes: coaching and mentoring leaders on how to address various organizational issues; utilizing assessments, planning retreats, giving feedback, consulting with managers, onboarding new leaders, training, team building activities, etc.; providing long-term advice and counsel so they are engaged in the leadership role and



The USAJOBS Process

- USAJOBS is the U.S. Government's official system for Federal jobs and employment opportunities.
- ➔ See the “USAJOBS Resume Tips” resource under Webinar #4 on [AAA's website](#) for step-by-step instructions and tips.



Surviving USAJOBS (& Similar Online Systems)

- Many organizations transfer information from one online platform to another resume system.

TOP TIPS:

- ✓ Use bullets with caution, or not at all.
- ✓ Use keywords from the job description!
- ✓ Use the entire word or character count given!



Getting Started on Your Resume

Molly Rempe, MS, AnswerLab



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Molly Visual Description

I am Molly Rempe, a white woman with long reddish-brown hair. Today I am wearing a grey top. I am sitting in a room with blue wall paint.



Your Hiring Manager is Your “User”

A Hiring Manager wants to be quickly persuaded to learn more.

- < 8 years of industry experience = a one-page resume



Tips for Resume Writing

- Use color to add interest.
- Include white space to increase readability.
- Use columns and text boxes to draw attention.
- 12-point font is small enough.



Education

Skills

Selected Projects

EDUCATION	MOLLY REMPE
M.S. Applied Anthropology University of North Texas	User Experience Researcher
B.A. Anthropology and Spanish Pacific Lutheran University	CITY, STATE PHONE NUMBER EMAIL
	I am an applied anthropologist with 5 years of experience in agile software, firmware, and hardware development. I am seeking roles in UX Research, UX Management, Product Ownership, and Product Management.
SKILLS	EXPERIENCE
Research Design Generative Research Usability Testing Concept Testing Recruitment Qual/Quant Analysis Competitive Research Persona Development Heuristic Evaluation Moderated and Unmoderated Research Journey Mapping Basic Statistical Analysis Budget Administration Timeline Supervision Effective Written and Oral Reports Leadership Workshop/Training Facilitation Mentorship Program Management Agile Product Development SCRUM	Cognizant Accelerator (Boulder, CO)
	Advanced Technology Senior Researcher (Sep. 2019 – present)
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">I have joined the Advanced Technology group at Accelerator to research areas for innovation across 13 verticals. Leveraging my research expertise, I work closely with innovation engineers and product strategists to identify viable product concepts to pursue.
	UX Research Manager (Jan. 2019 – Sep. 2019)
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">I led a team of 6 UX Researchers within the Accelerator including deliverable oversight, improvement coaching, co-creation of career goals, and elevating the visibility of our team’s work.
	Sr. UX Researcher, LaunchPad Research Manager (Jun. 2018 – Jan. 2019)
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Built research curriculum, monitored and implemented research plans, evaluated product viability from the user perspective, and evangelized research at product launch.Led user research on a minimum of 6 projects (3 pre-funding and 3 post-funding) within our LaunchPad program. Worked closely with Lead Designers, Lead Developers, and Product Owners.
	Hach (Loveland, CO)
	User Experience Researcher (Jun. 2015 – Jun. 2018)
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Built UX Research program from scratch. Accomplishments include recruitment strategy definition, methodology templization, usability metric standardization, needs-based persona modeling, and the creation of cross-project research database that held over 50 studies (over 200 user sessions).Successful completion of a global research project across 5 countries.Built UXR training program for R&D (75% participation achieved).
SELECTED PROJECTS	
American Whitewater (Cullowhee, NC) <i>Usability Study, 2019</i>	
Children’s Medical Center (Dallas, TX) <i>Rapid Needs Assessment, 2015</i>	
IBM Labs (Armonk, NY) <i>Organizational Assessment, 2015</i>	
Ad Hoc Labs, Inc (Los Angeles, CA) <i>Customer Needs Assessment, 2014</i>	
Nissan Labs (Silicon Valley, CA) <i>Exploratory Ethnographic Study, 2014</i>	

Name, Title, Contact

Current Career Goals

Experience

Your Hiring Manager is Your “User” – Part 2

A Hiring Manager wants to be quickly persuaded to learn more.

- < 8 years of industry experience = a one-page resume
- Supplement with a portfolio to tell your story



Tips for Building a Portfolio

- Wait to pay for a portfolio site. You can do a lot for free.
- Start with a few case studies first.
- Don't design unless you enjoy it.
- Focus on telling concise stories.



How I Made my Portfolio

I made a Google slide deck using a pre-made template. My portfolio includes:

- 4 slides about me / my approach
- 1 slide about methods
- 4 case studies, one study per slide



Case study:

What is the meaning of driving?

Driving is becoming increasingly automated, but what consequences might that have on the experience of the driver? A large automobile company tasked my team to make driving *visible*.



9 participants

Research Strategy

- Literature review
- In-home, structured interviews
- Ethnographic observation while driving
- Qualitative pattern analysis (Dedoose)
- Network analysis

My role

I worked as a contributor to this project, helping to create our protocol, collecting a portion of the data, and working as a collaborator to thematically analyze our data. I was also the software lead for our analytical tool, Dedoose (i.e., team training, monitoring, and being the SME).

Final deliverable

Our team produced a 90-page report for our client. This report included an in-depth review of current driving behaviors, implications of current behaviors on future automobile design, and low fidelity design suggestions.

Impact

This project laid a broad foundational understanding for our client. Additional studies with narrower research questions were planned for after the delivery of our report.

Moving from a CV to a Resume

Adam Gamwell, PhD, Missing Link Studios



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Adam Gamwell Visual Description

I'm a white male with a shaved head in my mid 30s. I am sitting in my home office with bookshelves behind me.



What is a CV?

- A CV is a Curriculum Vitae, an achievement document that grows with your career.
- A CV describes your education, achievements, honors, presentations and talks, publications, positions held and more.
- It is used primarily in academia. Sometimes it is used if you want to work in a foreign country.
- Unlike a resume, you do not modify a CV for each job type you apply for.



CV Sections

- Education
- Career Experience
- Key Leadership Roles (teaching)
- Publications
- Conference Presentations
- Workshops and Public Talks
- Blogs and Reports
- Grants and Awards
- Additional Teaching Experiences (Teaching Assistantships)
- Community and volunteer
- Languages
- Media Production Credits

Curriculum Vitae

Adam B. Gamwell

June 2020

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Education

Springboard - User Experience Research and Design Bootcamp, Online 2019-2020

Brandeis University, Ph.D. - Anthropology, Waltham, MA (2018)

- Thesis: *Designing the Future of Food: Quinoa Agrobiodiversity in 21st Century Highland Peru*

Brandeis University, M.A. - Anthropology, Waltham, MA (2011)

Texas Christian University, Fort Worth, TX, B.A. Dual Degrees: Religion and Anthropology, Magna Cum Laude/Honors (2007)

Career Experience

Missing Link Studios, Somerville, MA (2018-Present) <https://missinglink.studio>

Co-Founder, Principal Researcher and Digital Producer of a storytelling and design research consultancy specializing in social impact media production, communication strategy, and innovation

This Anthro Life Podcast, Boston, MA (2013-Present) <https://www.thisanthrolife.org>

Co-Founder, Host, Executive Producer of an educational social impact podcast and community platform

Bioversity International, Lima, Cusco and Puno, Peru (2015-2018)

Research Fellow and Consultant conducting PhD research and facilitating participatory design on agrobiodiversity conservation programs in southern Peru

Brandeis University, Waltham, MA (2011-2014)

Academic Administrator for Latin American and Latino Studies

Key Leadership Roles

Adjunct Faculty, Products and Marketing, Olin College of Engineering (2019)

Faculty Fellow and Adjunct Professor, Media Design Master's Program, Emerson College, <https://elab.emerson.edu/people/adam-gamwell> Boston, MA (2018 -)



CV to Resume? Capture Your Transferable Skills

- **Research** – can be applied to most anything
- **Communication** – writing, public speaking, web/social media
- **Design** – web, visual, content design
- **Project Management** – organizing events
- **Entrepreneurship** – thought leadership, grant writing
- **Information management** – teaching, training, writing



What's in my Resume

- ✓ About - Summary section
- ✓ Core skills or competencies
- ✓ Short education/career history
- ✓ Volunteer experience
- ✓ Only include experiences that are relevant to the position

ADAM GAMWELL

DESIGN ANTHROPOLOGIST

ABOUT

Design and Experience Researcher with a social science and media design background.

I use social science methods to help people and organizations uncover and diagnose non-obvious challenges, and to design and deliver human-centered solutions with lasting impact. My work is animated by a commitment to rigor, inclusion, collaboration, human-centered problem solving, and enhancing peoples' experiences and lives.

CORE SKILLS

Qualitative Research	6+ years PhD-level Researcher: project planning and organization, ethnography, consulting, embedded fieldwork, cultural analyses, critical thinking, observational research, interviews, stakeholder advocacy, translating stakeholder trends and needs concerns across multiple audiences
Design	Educator and Adjunct Professor of Design: User Research, participatory and collaborative methods, design thinking, stakeholder and competitive analysis; mixed-method research: empathy mapping, web analytics, personas, wireframing, mockups, sketching, storytelling;
Project Management	6+ years; short term design sprints for web and digital; Long-term (18-month) international research for development, project manager and research fellow with Bioversity International, Peruvian Ministry of the Environment, and local communities in Peru; Co-PI and Participatory Design Researcher at Emerson College.; Presentation and public speaking proficiency.
Digital Production	6+ years Co-Founder + Digital Producer: Over 100 research-based, investigative podcasts produced that are used by businesses, classrooms, and cited in theses. Editorial development, Storyboarding, interviewing, sound engineering, editing for narrative; writing and speaking for multiple audiences; Manage institutional collaborations including the Smithsonian and Google Podcasts creator program
Technical	Adobe Creative Suite, Sketch, InVision, Optimal Sort, Miro, Wordpress, Wix and Web CMS; Audition, Logic Pro X, Hindenburg, Slack

COMMUNITY + VOLUNTEER + LANGUAGE

Design Director and Co-Organizer
Sound Education Audio Festival

Spanish – Fluent/Professional Proficiency
Portuguese – Intermediate Competency

Website Designer, Information Architect
Business Anthropology Community

Hobbies - Podcasting, Musician, Running

Portfolio: www.gamwelldesign.com
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EDUCATION

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User Experience Design Career Track (2019-2020)

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MA - Anthropology, (2011)

CAREER HISTORY

2017-Present	LESLEY UNIVERSITY EMERSON COLLEGE OLIN COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING Adjunct Professor of Design, Civic Media, Entrepreneurship
2013-Present	MISSING LINK STUDIOS Design Research and Creative Media for Social Impact, Co-Founder, Producer, Consultant
2017-Present	WEB DESIGN, FREELANCE Front-End Web Design, Web Site Maintenance, Project Management + Digital Strategy
2012-2018	BRANDEIS UNIVERSITY PhD Candidate + Researcher, Anthropology
2015-2018	BIOVERSITY INTERNATIONAL Research Fellow and Consultant

THOUGHT LEADERSHIP

- ["Consulting Podcasters: Prototyping a Democratic Tool for Multiple Voices, Storytelling and Solution Finding," Medium](#)
- ["Crowdsourcing the Conversation: On the Future of Podcasting, Public Engagement, and Exercising the Anthropological Tool Kit", co-authored with Ryan Collins, 2017](#)
- ["Cooking Up an International Market for Quinoa" SAPIENS 16 Aug 2017](#)
- ["Conversations as Social Technology, This Anthro Life Podcast July 2017"](#)

Ask yourself: what skills should I highlight?

But how do I know ***which*** skills are most important?

Get to know your target industry and how they describe pertinent skills, roles and qualities they look for

Be a social scientist and learn the “local language”



Examples of Industries and Companies where you would highlight different skills

- **Research** (government, consumer, innovation)
 - **Including Anthropology Grounded Research Firms** (yes, they exist!)
Motivbase, Kresnicka Research and Insights, LTG Associates
- **Marketing and Advertising** – Team One
- **Business Consulting** – Boston Consulting Group, Simon and Associates, Cultural Keys, Forrester
- **Design Research** – Ideo, Frog
- **Communications and Media** – PRX, your local NPR station, Smithsonian Museums



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ADAM GAMWELL, Ph.D.

Design Anthropologist + Digital Producer

SUMMARY

Design Anthropologist, project manager, digital producer, podcaster, and educator with expertise in narrative and audio storytelling for social impact, project planning and management, communications and media, and human-centered design.

EXPERIENCE

Co-Founder, Design Anthropologist + Digital Producer

Missing Link Studios, Boston, MA / October 2018 – Present

- Lead Storytelling, Design Research and Communication Strategy Studio
- Produce podcasts for studio and clients
- Story and Concept development
- Audio engineering, sound design
- Collaborate with organizations, clients, podcasters and artists

Selected Production Experience

- Faxina*, a Google Podcasts creator program Runner Up, Senior Producer, August 2019 - Present
- CultureMade: Heritage Enterprise in a World on the Move*, produced in partnership with the Smithsonian Folklife Festival and the American Anthropological Association, Creator, Executive Producer, Host, July 2018 – February 2019
- This Anthro Life*, Co-Founder, Executive Producer, Host, October 2013 - Present

Selected Grants + Awards

- Google Podcasts creator program runner up, Faxina Boston, MA / August 2019
- Vlogbrothers Educational Programming Sponsorship, This Anthro Life / October 2017
- Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Grant, This Anthro Life Brandeis University / July 2017
- “Deis Impact, awarded to the Brandeis Deisortium and This Anthro Life, Brandeis University Ethics Center / February 2017

Languages + Hobbies

Spanish – Professional Competency
Portuguese – Intermediate Competency

Hobbies: Musician, Running, Podcasting

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Podcast Portfolio:
<http://bit.ly/GamwellMediaPortfolio>

Instagram.com/gmwwl

/adamgamwell

Twitter.com/gamwell

SKILLS

Project Management
Design Thinking and Research
Education and Facilitation
Audio Engineering
Podcasting
Storytelling

EDUCATION

PhD, Anthropology
Brandeis University
Waltham, MA / 2018

Professional Education, User Experience Design + Research
Springboard, Boston, MA
/ 2019

Final Point

- Even if you never plan to go into academia, a CV is still useful.
- It provides a running list of everything you've accomplished.
- It offers ready-made input for different resumes.



Optimize Your Résumé and Get Past Applicant Tracking Systems (ATS)

Ingrid Ramón Parra, PhD Candidate, PowerOfAnthro.com



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Ingrid Ramón Parra Visual Description

I am Ingrid Ramón Parra, a Latina with short dark hair. Today I am wearing a white button-up shirt. I am in my room, A tapestry is hanging on the wall behind me.



Applicant Tracking Systems (ATS)

Software systems used in recruiting and hiring

- Identify competitive candidates
- Scan of your job materials against job posting
- Digital first step before human review
- Assume use of ATS by employers



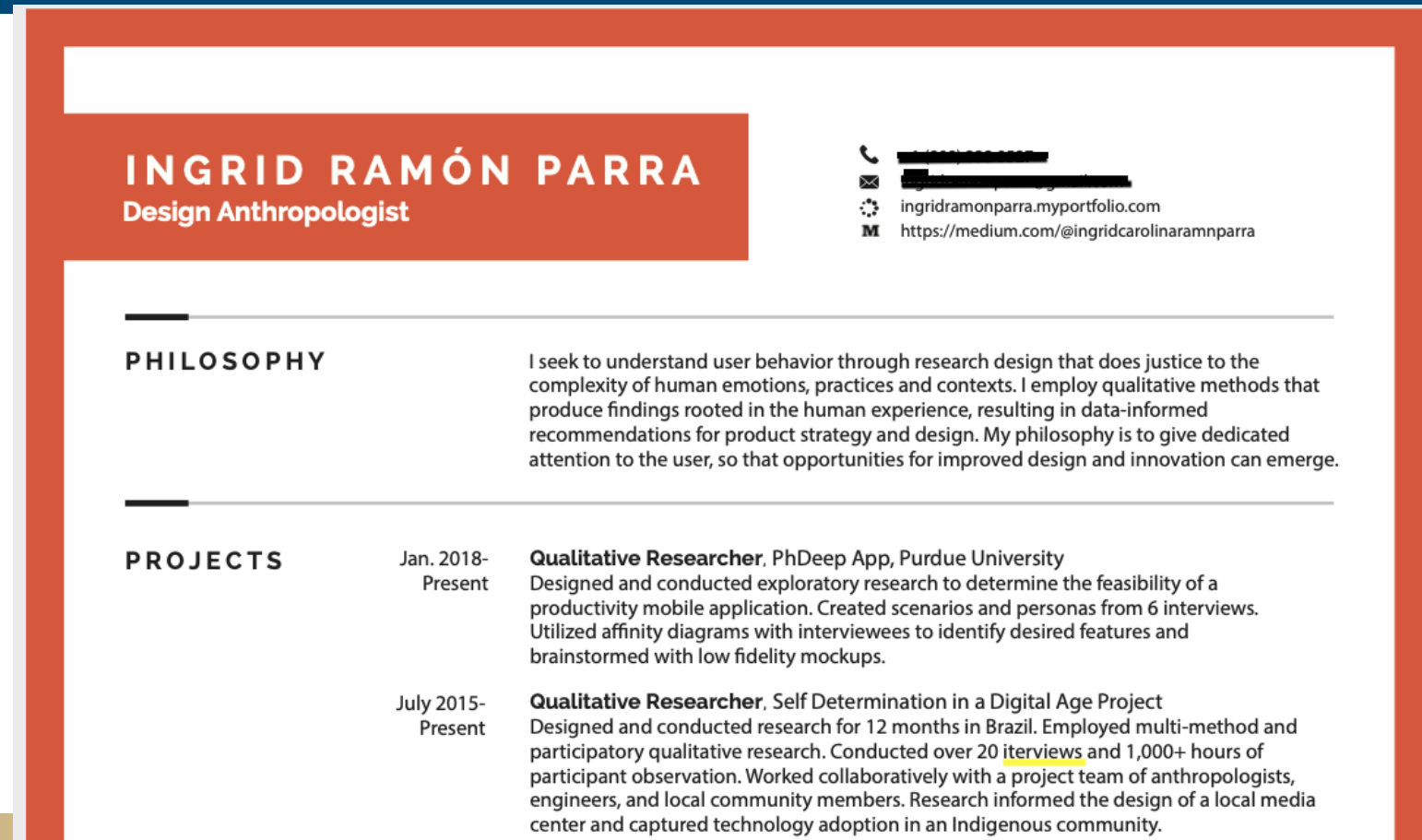
**62% of companies using ATS admit that
“qualified candidates are likely being
automatically filtered out of the vetting
process by mistake”.**

-CareerArc Survey (2016)



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My 2018 Resume: What not to do



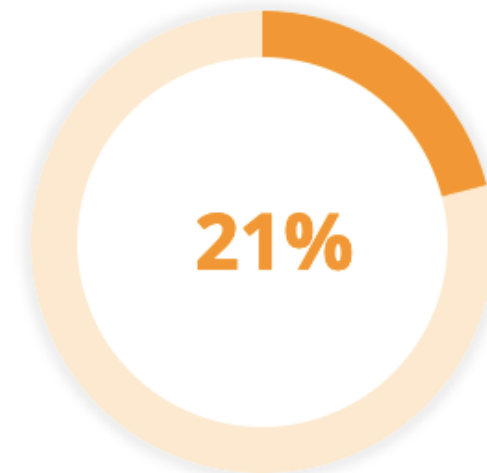
Demo: Use Online Tools for Optimization

- Utilize ATS Checkers
 - Jobscan.co
 - Zipjob.com
 - Many others
- My 2018 resume only matched 21% of a job description I was very qualified for

MATCH RATE

[Guide Me](#)

Add more missing skills (indicated by **✖**) into your resume to increase your match rate to 80% or above. [?](#)



Demo: ATS Checker Results

ATS FINDINGS ?

SKILLS AND KEYWORDS ?



You are missing **4 important high-value skills** on your resume. For example, *psychology* appears on the job description 2 times and is not on your resume. You are additionally missing **15 other hard and soft skills**. Review your [missing skills below](#).

JOB TITLE MATCH ?



The 'Ux Researcher' job title provided or found in the job description was not found in your resume. We recommend having the exact title of the job for which you're applying in your resume. This ensures you'll be found when a recruiter searches by job title. If you haven't held this position before, include it as part of your summary statement. [Incorrect job title in the job description?](#)

EDUCATION MATCH ?



This job requires or prefers a Doctorate degree. A Doctorate degree is found in your resume.



Demo: ATS Checker Results (continued)

ATS TIP ?



Adding this job's company name and web address can help us provide you ATS-specific tips.

Company: [Add Company Name](#) | **URL:** [Add web address for this job](#)

SECTION HEADINGS ?



Name your experience section "Work History" or "Professional Experience" for ATS to recognize work sections.



We found the education section in your resume.

FILE TYPE ?



You are using a .pdf resume. Most ATS can process .pdf files but more accurately process .docx files. Consider using a .docx file instead.



Your file name doesn't contain special characters that could cause an error in ATS.



Your file name is concise and readable.



Bios and Narratives

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A bio is a short statement about one's professional background and career

- Varies in length depending on
 - Career stage
 - Purpose (e.g., speaker introductions, author summary)
- Includes 1) current/past work roles, 2) transferrable skills
- Specifies one's discipline/specialty areas and highest degree
- May incorporate some personal characteristic (e.g., plays tennis, loves horseback riding)



A narrative is a customized story of one's work and contributions

- Appears on letterhead
- Limited to one page, with contact information clearly visible
- Describes work roles and skills *relevant* to prospective employer/client
- Offers evidence of accomplishments (e.g., awards, publications, elected office)



Summary: New Ways to Tell Your Story

1. Pay attention to job description. Focus on **outcomes (\$)(%)(#)**.
2. When building an online resume (e.g., USAJOBS, Resumix), use **key phrases** in job description. Use **the entire space**/character length given.
3. Your resume is a business card. Your portfolio is your **story**.
4. A CV is useful because it's a running list of your accomplishments; it helps you **tailor** your resume.
5. Understand how **applicant tracking systems (ATS) work** and optimize your resume to increase your chances of getting a job interview.
6. When networking for work, you are in control of the **process**, as well as the **materials** you share with prospective employers/clients.



Chat Q&A and Summary



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Closing Remarks

- Complete evaluation of this webinar, emailed to you
- See postings on the AAA website: 1) Career webinar recordings, 2) PPT slide decks, 3) Resources, 4) Chat Q&As
- Register for the last career webinar:

July 30: Facing the Interview Squad: Strategies that Impress

- AAA is looking into hosting a 2nd career webinar series in September!



AAA Career Webinar Series – Next Week

July 9: Get Hired! Showcase Your Unique Value

July 16: 5 Secrets for Building Networks that Lead to Jobs

July 23: This Is Not Your Parents' Resume: New Ways to Tell Your Story

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