# Resume Formatting Guidelines for Art History and Art Studio Students

One important principle to remember when preparing a resume, cover letter and slide portfolio is that you should adjust your application materials to fit the type of application you are making. Below are standard categories in a conventional order. What, where, and how you list your experiences and skills depends on the application at hand. Remember sometimes more is not more and a resume should not be longer than two pages (not be mistaken for the lengthier 'vitae').

- 1. <u>Name</u>
- 2. <u>Address:</u> Include both temporary and permanent addresses with email and phone numbers.

\*Optional: Some folks like to begin their resume with an item called "Objectives" where one states the purpose of the specific application (i.e. "To secure the position of research assistant at the American Archives of Art".) But some of us think that this sort of information belongs in your cover letter and is less appropriate for professional applications.

- 3. <u>Education:</u> Chronologically list with most recent always first (see example for formatting). With each entry list major(s) and maybe the title of your St. Mary's Project or maybe mention specific course work depending on the circumstance. You can also list study abroad programs in this section. Always feel free to add a very brief description that helps the reader understand what you've done.
- <u>Honors and Awards</u>: Include grants, scholarships, and any sort of special recognitions. Often residencies are considered an award and can be listed here. Again, sometimes you need to give a brief description so folks know more about what accomplishment the award recognizes. For example: The Joseph B. Ross Award for outstanding work in Art Studio and Art History, St. Mary's College of Maryland, Spring 2003
- 5. <u>Professional Experience</u> This is specifically for activities directly relating to your application (i.e. any type of art experience including internships, volunteer and paid jobs such as on or off campus work in arts management, museums, art studio assistantships, research assistantships, teaching, workshops etc. This could include assisting a workshop, visiting artist stints, giving museum tour or gallery docent talks. With each entry you should summarize your job responsibilities.
- 6. <u>Exhibitions</u>: Include exhibition name (italicized or with quotes if it is a titled show), place (gallery or institution name), geographical location, and year.
- 7. <u>Publications</u>: Cite entries in standard bibliography formats. Chicago Manual of Style and MLA formats are the most common ones used in arts publications.
- 8. <u>Skills</u>: A good catchall category for highlighting things you can do including computer skills and software, foreign languages, research skills, specific

gallery/museum skills, and studio skills (printmaking, darkroom, sculpture techniques etc.)

- 9. <u>References</u>: Sometimes you list 3-4 names and addresses sometimes you say 'available upon request". When you list people you need their prior consent to do so. Often when you list names they are on a separate page that is included with your resume.
- 10. <u>Other items</u>: Commissions, Bibliography (citation of publications that have mentioned your work) Community Service, Travel, Employment History (if you have work experience that might not quite fit under the heading of professional experience but you think might be helpful to mention it might be put in such a category).

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#### OBJECTIVE

To utilize my broad knowledge of artistic mediums, my attention to detail, and my interest in the gallery space to develop skills in cataloguing and handling art.

#### EDUCATION

May 2006		Bachelor of Arts candidate, Student Designed – Scientific Illustration,
		St. Mary's College of Maryland, St. Mary's City, MD
		G.P.A., 3.68
Summer 20	005	Additional coursework, Maryland Institute College of Art (MICA),
		Baltimore, MD

#### RELEVANT COURSEWORK

Graphic Design (MICA)	Photography (MICA)	Sculpture Studio
Digital Art	Drawing Studio	Painting
Art History	After Modern Art, 1945-Present	Scientific Illustration

## RELEVANT SKILLS

#### Administration

- Interacted with an active audience in a critique of my artwork
- Facilitated art events such as Artsfest and summer camps
- Supervised training of new employees for science demonstrations
- · Prepared materials for educational programs and art events for presentation to attending artists and visitors
- Analyzed and presented finding of research of HSV-2 at a colloquium of student researchers
- Reported detailed findings of research of HSV-2 to supervisor and colleagues weekly

Communication

- Communicated my artistic ideas and intentions in writing and aloud to an audience
- Welcomed and introduced visitors to the Sculpture Garden
- Assisted in visitor services arranged group visits and artist exhibitions
- Interacted with visitors (individuals and groups) with hands-on science activities
- Presented various topics on the Science Demonstration Stage enthusiastically involved the audience (5-70 people) in the presentation

#### Design

- · Created works of art reflective of my interest in the correlations between science, art, and religion
- Revised science demonstrations to involve the audience at a higher level
- Designed and created a children's brochure for the Sculpture Garden
- Invented a character for the garden, "Annie Aardvark" used in newsletters and children's brochure
- Developed materials and updated existing information for use by the education department in Science Shows
- Researched and designed new ideas for Demonstration topics
- Assisted in meticulous research with HSV-2 (Herpes Virus type 2)

#### EXPERIENCE

Current	St. Mary's Project in Studio Art
Summer 2004	Annmarie Garden, Summer Intern
Summer 2002 – Winter 2004	Maryland Science Center, Public Programmer, Department of Education
Summer 2001	University of Maryland School of Medicine, Virology Lab Assistant

#### ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- St. Mary's Scholar, 2004 Present
- Achieved Dean's List, Fall 2003 Present
- All-Student Art Show Participate, 2003 2005
- Best Work by a Junior, All Student Art Show, 2005

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## Education

## September 2001- May 2006 St. Mary's College of Maryland B.A. Art and Art History, expected May 2006 GPA: 3.79

Significant coursework completed in the area of Theater, Film, and Media Studies

June 2005- July 2005Corcoran College of Art and DesignSummer Workshop in Color Photography

#### **Awards and Honors**

September 2001- May 2006St. Mary's College of MarylandMembership, Paul H. Nitze Scholars ProgramMarch 2005St. Mary's College of MarylandThe Joseph B. Ross, Jr. Award for achievement in art history and art studioMarch 2006St. Mary's College of MarylandThe Vasari Prize for accomplishment in art history

## Exhibitions

April 2006	St. Mary's College of Maryland			
SMP in Studio Exhibition				
February 2006	St. Mary's College of Maryland			
The Vagina Monologues Art Gallery Exhibition				
December 2005	St. Mary's College of Maryland			
SMP in Progress Exhibition				
June 2005	Market 5 Gallery, Washington, DC			
Tearing at the Seams				
March 2005	St. Mary's College of Maryland			
Annual All-Student Art Show				
February 2005	St. Mary's College of Maryland			
The Vagina Monologues Art Gallery Exhibition				

### Employment

September 2005- May 2006 St. Mary's College of Maryland Visiting Artist Program Teaching Assistant Responsibilities: Assisting the Department of Art and Art History with the coordination of visiting artist programs including the lecture series, student-artist lunches, and other curricular programs.

June 2004-April 2006St. Mary's College of MarylandDispatcher with the St. Mary's College of Maryland Office of Public SafetyResponsibilities: Receiving and delegating calls to the office, clerical workinvolving Word and Excel, answering visitor concerns and questions, andcoordinating lost and found property, parking permits, and tow releases.

#### Skills

**Digital:** Basic proficiency in Adobe Photoshop, Dreamweaver MX, iMovie, Digital Output with Epson 9600 Pro

**Photography:** Silver gelatin printing, color wet lab printing, alternative processes **Other:** Basic carpentry, machine and hand sewing

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More contrast between font sizes, change out the spacing and consider using indents to make this page look a little less dull.

# Education: (don't care for the colons)

Bachelors of Art, Studio Art (Photography), St. Mary's College of Maryland. MD. Cumulative GPA: 3.098 Major GPA: 3.37

# Honors

2002-2003 Honor Society 2002-2004 Presidential Scholarship

# **Professional Experience**

Spring 2004	Event Coordinator/photographer Rugby Formal
2005-2006	Assistant to Colby Caldwell
June 2006	Wedding Photographer

More info?

**Unrelated Other Employment:** 

2003-2005 Spinnaker's Waterfront Restaurant Waitress 2005-2006 The Green Door Tavern Bartender

## Exhibitions:

2004 Washington College Student Exhibition, where? 2005, 2006 Boydon Gallery Student Art Show, St. St. Mary's College of Maryland, MD. Check punctuation standards Publications:

2004, 2005 St. Mary's Literary Magazine: Avatar Wrong citation format check your textbook.

# Skills:

Bilingual (Spanish/English)

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Construction of basic websites:
     Dreamweaver
     Imageready
Multimedia skills include:
     Mac and Windows OS
     Adobe Photoshop
     Adobe Illustrator
     Iphoto
     Imovie
     MS Office
Photography Skills:
     Wet/darkroom
     Digital darkroom
Other Skills:
     Welding
     Woodworking
     Printmaking
This long vertical list totally throws off the design of
the page- maybe use an invisible table to organize it more
horizontally?
Travel:
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Argentina 1987-2006
St. Lucia 1997
Dominican Republic 1999
Brazil 2004
Italy 2003
France 2003
Spain 2003
Mexico 2002, 2004
Belize 2005
China 2004, 2005
Thailand 2005
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# Other:

2003-2004 St. Mary's Women's Rugby Fundraising Committee This is just sort of sitting out on its own- maybe if you called your other employment something else it could go up ther? Or take it off.

# You are not quite where you need to be with this yet-look at some example formats. Many of your citation formats are incorrect. You need to add simple descriptions to bring your items to life. XXXX XXXXXXX

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# Education

 St. Mary's College of Maryland Bachelor of Arts, Art History not studio art??? Environmental Studies Minor Cumulative GPA 3.39

# **Work Experience**

2005-2006

Climbing Wall Instructor, Athletic Recreation Center, St. Mary's City, MD short line of description

- Athletic Recreation Center (St. Mary's, MD) January2005-August 2006
   <u>Climbing Wall Instructor</u>
- Camp Chanco (Surrey, VA) May 2003-August 2003
   <u>Camp Counselor</u>
- Baker's Crust (Virginia Beach, VA)
   September 2001-August 2002
   Hostess

Don't like the bullets and the underlines make it confusing. The common form is *job title*, *institution*, *place* (not in parenthesis) I recommend not putting the months in your dates just say 2005-2006.

Is there a way in a short description of each job responsibilities that you can stress the type of positive skills – teaching, working with children, organizing etc?

# Publications

Refer to our text about the right format for such entries – this is wrong...

- Artwork on Cover of Horizons- Literary Magazine 2002
- Artwork in Avatar-Literary Magazine 2005

# Exhibitions

• The Boyden Gallery, St. Mary's, MD Annual Juried Student Art Show Spring 2006

• The Boyden Gallery, St. Mary's, MD One Person Senior Exhibition December 2005 & April 2006

Again place the item first...

Senior Exhibition, Boyden Gallery, St. Mary's College of Maryland, MD

# **References Available Upon Request**