1. All About You

- A. Discern Your Skills, Talents, and Abilities (Note: talking to people about yourself, taking some assessments, and other self-discovery activities may help you with this section.)

 - What do you do best?
 What are some of your favorite activities?

 - What does your family brag about you?
 What types of things do you do for your family?
 What types of things do you do for your friends?
 What are your best subjects at school? Why?

 - What awards have you won? What honors have you received?
- B. Education and Training

 List high school and all training (most recent first)

 Identify certifications, honors, awards

 C. Experience/Work History
- - List all work experience, paid or not (most recent first)
 Include any jobs working for family business
 Include part-time and summer jobs
 List any entrepreneurial experience and odd jobs

2. Identify Resume Goal and Conduct Research

- A. Job -- research job descriptions, requirements, skills, etc.
 B. Education/Scholarship -- research requirements, values, etc.

3. Associate Yourself to Resume Goal

- Demonstrate abilities, skills, and strengths through specific examples
- Focus on accomplishments
 Use action verbs
- Quantify whenever possible

4. Develop Summary/Profile and Job Objective (Optional, but Recommended)

- Summary should be brief list (up to five) of attributes that make you perfect candidate -- shows your unique characteristics
- Summary statements must be supported by material in body of resume Job objective should be one short line identifying your goal. (<u>Learn more about job objectives</u>.

5. Assemble Your Resume

- A. Develop resume
 - Name and Contact Information

 - Summary and/or Objective Education and Training Honors and Distinctions/Awards
 - Experience/Work History

 - Skills
 Activities/Volunteering/Community Service
- Spellcheck and proofread
 Ask for feedback