Applying for a job

Applying for a job – Structure of CV

- Personal details Name, address, telephone, email
- Education and qualifications your degree subject and university
- Work experience dates and name of employer (IN REVERSE ORDER!)
 - Be specific about your duties if they have any relevance to your career
- Skills languages, computer, ...

Applying for a job – Cover Letter

covering letter

- personalises the approach to different companies
- relates to the specific of the prospective employer
- each covering letter you send should be different

Make sure your covering letter is relevant to the recipient.

Applying for a job – structure of cover letter

- State the job you're applying for and where you found about it
- Why you're interested in that type of work
- Summarise your strengths and how they might be an advantage to the organisation
- Relate your skills to the job
- Thank the employer and say you look forward to hearing from them soon

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Phrases for a cover letter – key

1 c 7 b

2 i 8 h

3 a 9 d

4 f 10 e

5 k 11g

6 j

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- I am submitting this letter to express my interest in the position of Director of Nursing Services.
- <u>I am familiar with</u> the important role your Center plays within the community.
- <u>I do believe</u> that my practical experience will bring a very significant contribution to the Center.
- I would very much appreciate the opportunity to discuss my potential contributions to your company with you.
- As you may see from my enclosed resume, my experience and accomplishments match this position's requirements.
- I would like to point out that I graduated from the renowned ... College
- Please accept this letter as an expression of my interest in the position of...
- I look forward to hearing back from you....OR.....to your reply.
- A copy of my resume <u>is enclosed</u> for your review.
- I believe that my skill-set does match perfectly with your requirements.
- <u>I possess the right combination of nursing skills</u> in order to be an asset to your organization.

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16 November 2011 (UK) / November 16, 2011 (US)

Dear Mr. Gilhooley, // Dear Sirs/Dear Madam or Sir,

am enclosing a completed job application, my certification, my resume and three references.

I am writing to apply for the programmer position advertised in the *Times Union*. As requested, I

- The opportunity presented in this listing is very interesting, and I believe that my strong technical experience and education will make me a very competitive candidate for this position. The key strengths that I possess for success in this position include:
- I have successfully designed, developed, and supported live use applications
- I strive for continued excellence
- I provide exceptional contributions to customer service for all customers

With a BS degree in Computer Programming, I have a full understanding of the full life cycle of a software development project. I also have experience in learning and excelling at new technologies as needed. Please see my resume for additional information on my experience.

Thank you for your time and consideration. I look forward to speaking with you about this employment opportunity.

Yours sincerely (UK) / Sincerely (US), // Yours faithfully (UK)/Yours truly (US) FirstName LastName

FirstName LastNam

	American style	British style
Date	October 19, 2012 (month-day-year)	19 October 2012 (day-month-year)
Salutation	Dear Mr./Ms. Smith: Dear Sir or Madam: Gentlemen: After the salutation there is a colon (:)	Dear Mr./Ms. Smith, Dear Sir or Madam, Dear Sirs, After the salutation there is a comma (,) or nothing
Complimentary close	Sincerely, Sincerely yours, Yours truly,	Sincerely, Yours sincerely, Yours faithfully, comma or nothing

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7th September 2004

Dear Sir or Madam

Refund on motor insurance: policy number 6583 NTFC 0045

In August you sent me a cheque for £103.35 with regard to my motor insurance. The cheque was issued in my maiden name of Smith. However, in June 2004 I married and changed my surname to Jones.

Unfortunately, this means that my bank will not accept your cheque. My bank account is now in my married name. I return the cheque herewith and request that a payment be re-issued in the name of Mrs Sarah Anne Jones.

I also enclose a copy of my marriage certificate so that you may amend my name on your records. My address details remain the same.

Thank you very much for your assistance.

Yours faithfully

Mrs Sarah Jones

20/11/2012 - no seminar → writing task

- 1. write down a cover letter based on the job advert from the lesson upload to the PeerReview Software
- 2. review 2 letters of your classmates upload to the PeerReview Software DEADLINES:
- 20/11 cover letter
- 26/11 reviews