

I enjoy that it is possible to upload different documents to the visual CV, I looked at a profile of a graduate student that was able to post his thesis work which could employers see the quality of his work. I also enjoy how personalized it can be, you can choose photos, videos and display it the way you like. This personalization catches the attention of employers and gives them an opportunity to learn about your personality before having an interview.

One of the samples I looked at included links to the persons online portfolio with a picture of the portfolio to make it more inviting. He included his recommendation letters directly on his visualcv making it easier for employers as they would not have to make the extra step of calling to get these letters. He also included samples of his work which allows employers to decide if his style fits their company. This profile also included a section entitled “My Benefits / Promises to you” which briefly outlined his key qualities in each of the areas he has experience in.

Another sample I viewed was that of a singer/songwriter. She was able to include samples of her music as well as a calendar of her upcoming shows. She added a section called “Press Quotes” to her profile which gives potential employers a better idea of the quality of her music. The Press photos she include in her CV show her enthusiasm and love of music that shows she wants to be on stage.

In my Visual CV I will be including my resume, a picture of myself as well as my letter of recommendations. As well, I will include my philosophy towards education and my professional highlights which will include positive attributes that I possess that would be helpful in a job setting.

Viewing the sample CVs taught me how personal a CV is able to be and gave me ideas of how to make my CV stand out from all the other applicants.