

How to Maximize Your LinkedIn Profile



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Why You Should Audit Your LinkedIn Profile

It can be easy to just let your LinkedIn profile sit there, getting old and stagnant. After all, you're just using it to put your professional information out there, right?

But if you're working at a B2B company, you could be missing out on some major networking opportunities through LinkedIn. In fact, LinkedIn can help you meet new contacts, learn about new business partnerships, share what's new with your business, and introduce offers to potential customers. Through LinkedIn, you can share your blog posts, create exclusive content, and generate leads.

That's why conducting a yearly LinkedIn audit and updating your profile is so important, and we've created this checklist to help.

Profile Photo



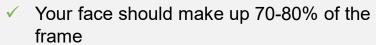
Professional



High resolution



Clean background



- You should be facing forward, making "eye contact"
- Keep it consistent with your other social media platforms

Cover Photo







You can use your cover photo to showcase photos of your team at work, share a current project, promote a campaign, feature a call to action, push viewers to a link (like your website), highlight company awards, or even share testimonials about your business.



Recommendations

- Recommend your colleagues and coworkers. By writing them a recommendation, your profile will be listed on theirs
- ✓ You can also request recommendations from current and past coworkers and colleagues, as well as current and past customers or clients of yours



Link Your Company — Engaging Headline

- Allows viewers to click and view your company
- ✓ Includes a logo

- ✓ Include keywords
- Instead of just listing your job title, mention how you benefit your company/customers

Job Descriptions

- ✓ Use bullets in your job descriptions to help keep them organized and easy to read
- ✓ Include responsibilities: list your top 2-3 for entry and mid-level positions, 5-6 for executive
- ✓ List any notable accomplishments
- ✓ Attach relevant documents/project pieces
- ✓ Only list your most recent jobs which contributed to your career path. (i.e. if you're an executive marketer, don't list your grocery job from when you were 16)

Education

Only include college and relevant continuing education or courses

Skills

List your skills so the most relevant ones appear first



Public Profile Settings

- ✓ Make important business information visible to public
- ✓ Don't hide your profile picture

Summary

- Tell people who you are and what you do best
- ✓ Write in first-person
- Stay between 450-650 characters

Contact Info

- Professional email address
- ✓ Website
- Personal/company social media accounts

Weekly Activities

REGULARLY ENGAGE WITH POSTS

POST ARTICLES
Demonstrate your industry
expertise

ATTACH WORK SAMPLES

JOIN LINKEDIN GROUPS