

## PORTFOLIO GUIDE — Creative & Technical Roles

A strong portfolio should clearly show **your skills, your process, and your results**. Employers want to understand **how you think**, not just what you produced.

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### 1. Portfolio Structure (Template)

#### HOMEPAGE / INTRO

- Your name & title: **[Your Name – Creative/Technical Title]**
  - Short tagline: **“I create [X] for [Y].”**
  - Brief intro paragraph (2–3 sentences)
  - A clear call-to-action (CTA):
    - “View my work”
    - “Download CV”
    - “Get in touch”
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#### ABOUT ME

##### Template:

I’m a **[Your Role]** with **[X years]** of experience in **[industry/skills]**. I specialize in **[technical or creative specialties]** and enjoy working on **[type of projects]**. My work focuses on **[your unique style/approach]**, and I value **[professional values: teamwork, innovation, problem-solving]**.

Include:

- Photo (optional)
  - Experience overview
  - Skills summary
  - Software/tools you use
  - Downloadable CV link
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#### PORTFOLIO / PROJECTS

This is the core of your portfolio.

For each project, use this **Case Study Template** 🖐️

## 2. Case Study Template (For Each Project)

### Project Name

**Role:** [Your title in the project]

**Tools Used:** [Software, languages, methods]

**Timeline:** [Dates or duration]

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### 1. Project Overview

A short description of what the project is about and who it was for.

#### Template:

This project involved creating/developing **[product/service/design/code]** for **[client/employer]** to solve **[problem]**.

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### 2. The Challenge

Explain the problem you were trying to solve.

#### Template:

The main challenge was **[issue]**, which affected **[users/customers/team/process]**. My goal was to **[goal description]**.

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### 3. My Approach / Process

Show how you think.

Depending on your field:

- Designers: research → sketches → wireframes → mockups → final designs
- Developers: planning → architecture → coding → testing → deployment
- Writers: brief → outline → drafts → revisions → final copy
- Marketers: competitive research → strategy → execution → optimization
- Engineers: prototyping → testing → iteration → manufacturing
- Photographers/creatives: concept → planning → shoot → edit

#### Template:

I started by **[step]**, then moved into **[step]**, before finalizing **[step]**. I collaborated with **[team/stakeholders]** and used **[tools]** throughout the process.

Include visuals:

- Screenshots
  - Diagrams
  - Before/after
  - Code snippets
  - Videos
  - Sketches
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## 4. The Solution / Output

Describe what you delivered.

### Template:

The final solution was **[product/design/feature/output]**, which improved **[result]** for **[client/user/team]**.

Add images, GIFs, or demos.

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## 5. Impact / Results

Include measurable metrics where possible:

- +X% engagement
- -X% errors
- Faster load time
- More leads
- Better UX
- Positive feedback

### Template:

The project resulted in **[quantifiable achievement]**, and feedback from **[client/stakeholders]** was positive, highlighting **[strengths]**.

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## 6. What I Learned

Shows reflection and growth.

### Template:

Through this project, I learned **[lesson]**, improved **[skill]**, and strengthened my ability to **[soft skill]**.

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## 7. Links

- Live site or demo
  - Downloadable files
  - GitHub repository
  - Presentation or PDF
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## 3. Portfolio Best Practices

### ✓ Show your process

Don't post only the final result—show **sketches, drafts, iterations, code versions**, etc.

### ✓ Select quality over quantity

5–8 strong projects are better than 20 average ones.

### ✓ Write readable case studies

Employers skim. Use:

- Short paragraphs
- Section headers
- Bullet points
- Visuals

### ✓ Make it easy to navigate

Clear menu:

- Home
- Work/Projects
- About

- Contact

## ✓ Use consistent branding

Choose:

- 2–3 colors
- 1–2 fonts
- Clean layout

## ✓ Mobile-friendly layout

Especially important for designers and developers.

## ✓ Keep it updated

Replace older work with newer, better projects every 6–12 months.

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## 4. Tools for Building Portfolios

### Web-Based Builders

- Wix
- Squarespace
- Webflow
- WordPress
- Adobe Portfolio

### Developer Portfolios

- GitHub Pages
- Netlify
- Vercel
- Notion

### Creative Portfolios

- Behance
- Dribbble
- ArtStation
- Vimeo/YouTube (video)

## 5. Portfolio Content Templates

### ◆ Project Summary Template

[Project Name] — [Company/Client]

Tools: [Tools]

Delivered a [product/output] that achieved [measurable result] by [method].

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### ◆ Skills Page Template

#### Technical Skills:

- [Skill 1]
- [Skill 2]
- [Skill 3]

#### Creative Skills:

- [Skill 1]
- [Skill 2]
- [Skill 3]

#### Soft Skills:

- [Skill 1 — communication]
  - [Skill 2 — leadership]
  - [Skill 3 — teamwork]
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### ◆ Contact Page Template

#### Let's work together!

email: [your email]

phone: [your phone]

location: [city/state]

LinkedIn: [link]

Portfolio download: [link]