## **Employment Portfolio**

A portfolio documents your skills and abilities. It is a collection of work samples that provides evidence of your achievements. Organize your documents and present them online, in a notebook and/or save them on a disc.

When deciding which materials to include consider what you want the employer to know about your skills. Then provide examples of your work that will emphasize marketable traits. Arrange your documents as they relate to the needs of the employer. In today's market this level of effort shows that you are a viable candidate. Organize your portfolio into sections that an employer can easily reference. Be honest about the role you played in each piece you include. Provide samples that indicate you can work as part of a team or independently. Keep your portfolio current. This will allow you to choose the best and most appropriate examples that speak to your highest level of achievement.

Examples of items you may include:

- Table of Contents
- Your resume
- Transcripts
- Certifications
- A list of conferences and workshops attended, plus a short description
- Certificates of awards and honors or special training
- Cooperative Education evaluations
- Employer evaluations
- Letters of commendation/recommendation
- Documentation of relevant technologies and/or skills, including samples from various projects and any web sites you've created, designed, or developed.

## :: Have your portfolio critiqued

Have your portfolio reviewed and critiqued for presentation and content. The key is to ensure that your information and evidence is on-target and that the presentation is impressive.

## **Portfolio Assignment ::**

Organize materials into a portfolio. This assignment is not required for the course but we highly recommend it.

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