"When Enough is Not Enough," by Cassidy Hill

A single page resume seemed at one time like the hallmark of resume writing. If you could put your entire life onto a single page in a dynamic manner that fully detailed your work experience, you had the best of both worlds: completeness and brevity. You could catch the interest of an employer and maintain their attention for a period of 2-3 minutes while they read that single page and got a full picture of who you are. But who in this complex world can really put their career on a single page? And though "brevity is the soul of wit," most would agree it's not the heart of our information-driven world. We are working more diverse jobs, taking more classes, earning more degrees and volunteering more than at any other time in our history. Why not represent that in your resume?

Keeping it brief can mean that you are not always painting a clear picture. If it means leaving out that volunteer year you put in with the Peace Corp so that you can include all of your work experience at Kinko's Copies, you may want to rethink your approach to brevity. Two page resumes are an industry standard now and many professional resume companies have experience creating dynamic resumes and fleshing out those two pages with the best information. Doing it yourself can be challenging. Remember, keep it brief, keep it clear, and keep it to TWO PAGES. You'll have enough room to explore all you really want to say.