



DESIGN PORTFOLIO

What It Is & How to Make It Stand Out



What Is a Design Portfolio?

- A design portfolio is your visual resume.
- It shows how you think, what you create, and why your ideas matter.

Used for:

- 🎓 Design school admissions
- 💼 Internships & job interviews
- ✏️ Freelance work & competitions



What Should It Include?

- ✓ 👤 About You / Introduction
- ✓ 📁 4-6 Strong Projects
- ✓ 📖 Step-by-step process (Research → Sketches → Outcome)
- ✓ ✍️ Clear captions/explanations
- ✓ 🎨 Personal work (optional but unique!)



How to Choose Projects

Pick projects that show:

- ☀ Creativity (not just neatness)
- 🧠 Problem-solving & thinking
- 🎭 Variety – product, poster, space, fashion
- ❤ Passion – pick one you loved doing!



Make It Visually Strong

-  Clean, minimal layout
-  Use white space
-  Consistent fonts and structure
-  Tell a visual story – Problem → Idea → Result





Show Your Process

Don't Just Show Results

Include :

-  Problem statements
-  Moodboards / inspiration
-  Rough sketches, iterations
-  Mistakes & learning
-  Prototypes, mockups
-  Design schools value your thought process over polish!



Tools, Formats & Pro Tips

- PDF (email submissions)
- Behance or website (professional)
- Printed copy (for in-person review)
- Tools: Canva, Figma, InDesign, Photoshop
- Tips to Stand Out:
 - 💡 Add a passion project
 - 🧢 Create your own logo or identity
 - 🔗 Add QR codes (to videos or 3D views)
 - 🔄 Update often – quality > quantity



THANK YOU

Feel free to approach if you have any questions.

