

Launchpad to Next.js & React

Essential Foundations for Q2 Success

This document is an **optional resource** designed for students who feel they need additional preparation in HTML, CSS, JavaScript, TypeScript, Git, or basic design principles before starting "Learn Modern Web Development using Next.js 13 in Baby Steps". **If you're confident in your foundational skills, you can proceed directly to the main course materials**. Otherwise, use this Launchpad to build the necessary knowledge and ensure your success in Q2.

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Document Overview

Category	Description
Target Audience	Absolute beginners to web development, especially those needing foundational skills in HTML, CSS, JavaScript, TypeScript, Git, and basic design principles.
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Purpose	To provide an optional set of foundational resources that help students prepare for the Next.js & React Comprehensive Course, ensuring all participants are well-equipped.
Scope	Covers essential topics: HTML, CSS, JavaScript, TypeScript, Git, basic design principles, and Figma. Includes assignments and resources for self-paced learning.
Usage	Students can utilize this document at their own pace to build required skills. It is not mandatory but highly recommended for those feeling unprepared.
Support	Access to instructor assistance, peer support through study groups, and Al assistance via Learn Next.js GPT for personalized guidance.
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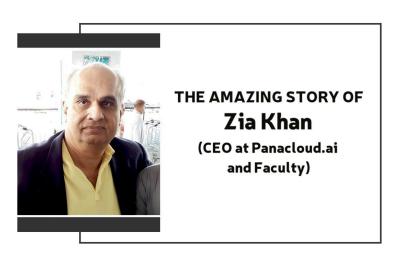


Note About Our Leader: Sir Zia Khan

This course is inspired and structured by the esteemed Sir Zia Khan, a visionary leader in modern web development education. Sir Zia has been at the forefront of teaching cutting-edge technologies, guiding countless students toward successful careers in the tech industry. His approach to teaching combines deep technical knowledge with a passion for making complex concepts accessible to all learners.

Quote from Sir Zia Khan on Next.js and UI/UX Templates

"Next.js is the future of building fast, scalable, and user-friendly web applications. By mastering Next.js alongside modern UI/UX principles, you equip yourself with the skills to create intuitive and responsive digital experiences that stand out in the competitive tech landscape. Whether you're a beginner or an experienced developer, understanding these tools will empower you to craft innovative and efficient solutions, paving the way for limitless opportunities in your career."



■ The Amazing Story Of Zia Khan (CEO at Panacloud.ai and Faculty)

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Meet Ameen Alam: Honorable Dean of Faculty

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Welcome!

Congratulations on taking the first step toward mastering Next.js and React! To ensure you have a smooth and successful learning journey, it's essential to build a strong foundation in certain fundamental web development skills.

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Why Prerequisites Matter

Embarking on a journey to learn Next.js and React without a solid understanding of the basics can be overwhelming and may lead to frustration. By mastering the following prerequisites, you will:

- **Enhance Comprehension:** Better understand advanced concepts in Next.js and React.
- Increase Efficiency: Write cleaner, more efficient code with a solid foundation.
- Boost Confidence: Feel more confident tackling complex projects and assignments.
- Ensure Success: Improve your chances of successfully completing the course and achieving your learning goals.

Recorded Lectures:

- Learn HTML by Hira Khan (Watch Recorded Videos)
- Learn CSS Intro by Hira Khan (Watch Recorded Videos)
- Learn JavaScript by Zeeshan Hanif (Watch Recorded Videos)



Assignments:

- HTML-CSS-Assignments
- JS-Assignments
- Getting Started Exercises with TypeScript and Node.js
- Node Projects

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Prerequisite Topics

1. HTML (HyperText Markup Language)

Overview: HTML is the backbone of any website. It structures the content on your web pages, such as headings, paragraphs, links, images, and more.



Key Concepts to Master:

- Basic HTML structure (<!DOCTYPE html>, <html>, <head>, <body>)
- Common HTML tags (<div>, , <h1>-<h6>, , <a>, , , ,)



- Semantic HTML (<header>, <footer>, <article>, <section>, <nav>)
- Forms and input elements (<form>, <input>, <textarea>, <button>)
- Accessibility best practices (using alt attributes, ARIA roles)

Resources:

- MDN Web Docs: HTML Basics
- FreeCodeCamp: Responsive Web Design Certification
- W3schools
- HTML Cheat Sheet PDF
- CSS-Selectors Guide PDF

Recorded Lectures:

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- <u>Learn JavaScript by Zeeshan Hanif (Watch Recorded Videos)</u>

Home work:

- Create a simple personal webpage that includes a header, footer, navigation bar, and a few sections with text and images.
- Build a contact form using HTML.

2. CSS (Cascading Style Sheets)

Overview: CSS styles your HTML content, making your web pages visually appealing. It controls layout, colors, fonts, and responsiveness.



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Selector

Color: red;

Property Property value

Declaration
```

Key Concepts to Master:

- CSS syntax and selectors
- Box Model (margin, border, padding, content)
- Layout techniques (Flexbox, Grid)
- Typography (font families, sizes, weights)
- Colors and backgrounds
- Responsive design (media queries)
- CSS methodologies (BEM, SMACSS)
- Introduction to Tailwind CSS (optional but beneficial)

Resources:

- MDN Web Docs: CSS Basics
- freeCodeCamp: Responsive Web Design Certification



• CSS Tricks

Home Work:

- Style your personal webpage to make it visually appealing using CSS.
- Create a responsive layout that adapts to different screen sizes using Flexbox or Grid.
- Recreate a simple landing page design from a website you admire.

3. JavaScript (JS)

Overview: JavaScript brings interactivity to your web pages. It allows you to create dynamic content, handle user events, and manipulate the DOM.

Key Concepts to Master:

- Basic syntax and data types (variables, numbers, strings, arrays, objects)
- Control structures (loops, conditionals)
- Functions and scope
- DOM Manipulation (selecting and modifying HTML elements)
- Event Handling (click, input, submit events)
- ES6+ features (arrow functions, destructuring, spread/rest operators)
- Asynchronous JavaScript (Promises, async/await)

Resources:

- MDN Web Docs: JavaScript Basics
- Eloquent JavaScript (Free to read online)
- freeCodeCamp: JavaScript Algorithms and Data Structures Certification



Home Work:

- Add interactivity to your personal webpage, such as a form validation script or a dynamic content loader.
- Create a simple JavaScript-based game (e.g., Tic-Tac-Toe or a quiz app).
- Manipulate the DOM to dynamically update content based on user interactions.

4. TypeScript (TS)

Overview: TypeScript is a superset of JavaScript that adds static typing, enhancing code quality and maintainability. While optional, having a basic understanding of TypeScript will be beneficial for our course.

Key Concepts to Master:

- Basic TypeScript syntax
- Type annotations and interfaces
- Classes and inheritance
- Generics
- Enums
- TypeScript with React and Next.js basics

Resources:

- TypeScript Official Documentation
- FreeCodeCamp: TypeScript Tutorial

Home Work:

- Convert a simple JavaScript project to TypeScript by adding type annotations.
- Create TypeScript interfaces for a set of objects used in your project.
- Implement a basic class in TypeScript that utilizes inheritance.



5. Git and GitHub

Overview: Git is a version control system that tracks changes in your code, while GitHub is a platform for hosting and collaborating on Git repositories. Proficiency in Git and GitHub is essential for managing your projects and collaborating with others.

Key Concepts to Master:

- Git installation and configuration
- Github Desktop
- Basic Git commands (init, clone, add, commit, push, pull, status, log)
- Branching and merging
- Resolving merge conflicts
- Using GitHub for repository hosting
- Creating and managing pull requests

Resources:

- Git Official Documentation
- GitHub Guides: Hello World
- FreeCodeCamp: Git and GitHub Tutorial

Home Work:

- Initialize a Git repository for your personal webpage project.
- Make a series of commits documenting the changes you make to your project.
- Push your project to GitHub and create a repository.
- Collaborate with a peer to merge branches and resolve a mock merge conflict.



6. Basic Design Principles and Figma

Overview: Understanding basic design principles and tools like Figma will help you create aesthetically pleasing and user-friendly interfaces.

Key Concepts to Master:

- Design principles (alignment, contrast, repetition, proximity)
- Color theory and typography
- Wireframing and prototyping
- Creating reusable design components
- Basics of using Figma for UI/UX design

Resources:

- Figma Learning Resources
- Canva Design School
- <u>freeCodeCamp: Responsive Web Design Principles</u>

Home Work:

- Create a wireframe for your personal portfolio website using Figma.
- Design a set of reusable UI components (e.g., buttons, cards) in Figma.
- Develop a simple prototype of a webpage and share it with peers for feedback.



Learning Path for Prerequisites

If you're not yet comfortable with the above topics, follow this structured learning path to build the necessary skills:

Step 1: Master HTML

1. Learn the Basics:

- o Start with understanding the structure of an HTML document.
- Learn and practice common HTML tags.

2. Build Simple Pages:

- Create a personal homepage with headings, paragraphs, images, and links.
- o Develop a multi-page website with navigation.

3. Understand Semantic HTML:

Use semantic tags to improve accessibility and SEO.

Step 2: Learn CSS

1. Understand CSS Syntax:

- Learn how to link CSS to HTML.
- o Practice writing CSS rules and selectors.

2. Style Your Pages:

- Apply colors, fonts, and layouts to your HTML pages.
- Experiment with Flexbox and Grid for layout designs.

3. Responsive Design:

- Implement media queries to make your design responsive.
- Test your designs on different screen sizes.

Step 3: Grasp JavaScript Fundamentals



1. Basic Programming Concepts:

Learn about variables, data types, operators, and control structures.

2. **DOM Manipulation:**

Practice selecting and modifying HTML elements with JavaScript.

3. Add Interactivity:

o Implement event listeners and handlers for user interactions.

Step 4: Get Introduced to TypeScript

1. Basic Syntax:

Learn about type annotations and basic TypeScript syntax.

2. Advanced Features:

o Understand interfaces, classes, and generics.

3. Integration:

Practice integrating TypeScript with simple JavaScript projects.

Step 5: Learn Git and GitHub

1. Basic Commands:

Initialize repositories, make commits, and push to GitHub.

2. Branching:

Create and manage branches for different features.

3. Collaboration:

Practice making pull requests and reviewing code.

Step 6: Explore Basic Design with Figma

1. Figma Interface:

o Familiarize yourself with Figma's tools and workspace.

2. **Design Fundamentals:**



Apply design principles to create wireframes and prototypes.

3. Reusable Components:

• Create and use design components for consistency.

Tips to Stay on Track

1. Set Clear Goals:

- Define what you want to achieve each week.
- Break down larger tasks into smaller, manageable steps.

2. Consistent Practice:

- Dedicate at least 1-2 hours daily to practice coding and design.
- Regular practice reinforces learning and builds muscle memory.

3. Utilize Resources:

- o Take advantage of online tutorials, documentation, and community forums.
- Don't hesitate to seek help when you encounter challenges.

4. Build Projects:

- Apply what you've learned by building small projects.
- o Projects help solidify concepts and provide practical experience.

5. **Join Study Groups:**

- Collaborate with peers to share knowledge and solve problems together.
- Teaching others is a powerful way to reinforce your own understanding.

6. Stay Motivated:

- o Celebrate your progress, no matter how small.
- Keep reminding yourself of your end goals and the benefits of mastering these skills.



Common Challenges and How to Overcome Them

1. Feeling Overwhelmed by New Concepts

Solution:

- Take It Step-by-Step: Focus on one topic at a time. Master each concept before moving to the next.
- Use Analogies: Relate new concepts to things you already understand.
- Stay Organized: Keep notes and resources well-organized for easy reference.

2. Difficulty Understanding Code

Solution:

- Hands-On Practice: The more you code, the better you'll understand.
- **Debugging Skills:** Learn to use browser developer tools to troubleshoot issues.
- Ask Questions: Reach out to instructors, senior students or join a discord community to get help.

3. Procrastination and Time Management

Solution:

- Set a Schedule: Allocate specific times each day for studying and practicing.
- Set Small Goals: Break tasks into smaller, achievable goals to maintain momentum.
- Eliminate Distractions: Create a conducive learning environment free from interruptions.

4. Keeping Up with Assignments and Home Work



Solution:

- **Prioritize Tasks:** Tackle the most important assignments first.
- Use Tools: Utilize project management tools like Trello or Asana to track your progress.
- Seek Help Early: If you're struggling, reach out to instructors or peers for assistance.

5. Translating Designs to Code

Solution:

- Practice Regularly: The more you practice converting designs to code, the better you'll
 get.
- **Use Flexbox and Grid:** Master these CSS layout techniques to accurately implement designs.
- Refer to Figma Tutorials: Utilize Figma resources to better understand design specifications.

Additional Resources for Self-Learning

- HTML & CSS:
 - o W3Schools HTML Tutorial
 - W3Schools CSS Tutorial
- JavaScript:
 - o <u>JavaScript.info</u>
 - o Codecademy JavaScript Course
- TypeScript:
 - TypeScript Handbook
 - TypeScript for Beginners (YouTube)
- Git & GitHub:
 - o Atlassian Git Tutorials



- o GitHub Learning Lab
- Figma:
 - o Figma Learn
 - o Figma for Beginners (YouTube)
- General Learning Platforms:
 - o <u>freeCodeCamp</u>
 - o <u>Codecademy</u>
 - o Coursera
 - o <u>Udemy</u>

Support and Assistance

We understand that learning new skills can be challenging. Here's how you can get the support you need:

1. Peer Support:

- Senior Student Study Groups: Join senior student groups with your peers to collaborate and learn together.
- Discord: Participate in Discord or senior student groups dedicated to web development.

2. Utilize Al Assistance:

- Learn Next.js GPT: Access our customized AI assistant for personalized support.
 Access Learn Next.js GPT
- How to Use:
 - Open ChatGPT.
 - Go to the GPT store and search for "Learn Next.js."
 - Select the GPT created by S M Ameen Alam for accurate guidance.
- 3. Additional Learning Resources:



 Explore tutorials, documentation, and courses from trusted platforms to reinforce your learning.

Final Encouragement

Embarking on this learning journey requires dedication and perseverance, but remember:

- You're Not Alone: Many students face similar challenges. Utilize available resources and support systems.
- **Progress Over Perfection:** Focus on making consistent progress rather than achieving perfection immediately.
- Stay Curious: Embrace the learning process with curiosity and a willingness to explore new concepts.
- **Believe in Yourself:** Trust in your ability to learn and grow. Every expert was once a beginner.

By completing these prerequisites, you'll be well-prepared to tackle the Next.js and React Comprehensive Course with confidence and ease. Take your time, stay committed, and enjoy the journey to becoming a skilled web developer!



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Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ)

Welcome to the **Launchpad to Next.js & React**! This FAQ section is designed to address common questions and concerns you might have as you prepare for the Next.js & React Comprehensive Course in Q2. Whether you're feeling confident or a bit overwhelmed, this guide will help you navigate your learning journey smoothly.

1. Who should use this Launchpad document?

Answer:

This Launchpad is intended for students who feel they need additional preparation before starting the Next.js & React Comprehensive Course. If you're unsure about your foundational skills in HTML, CSS, JavaScript, TypeScript, Git, or basic design principles, this document will help you build the necessary knowledge to succeed in Q2.

2. What if I already have experience with some of the prerequisites?

Answer:

If you're already comfortable with certain prerequisites, feel free to skip those sections and focus on areas where you need more practice. However, revisiting the basics can reinforce your understanding and ensure you're fully prepared for the upcoming course.

3. How much time should I dedicate to completing the prerequisites?

Answer:

The amount of time varies based on your current skill level. On average, allocating **2-4 hours per day** for the next few weeks should help you cover all the essential topics. Consistency is key, so try to maintain a regular study schedule to make steady progress.

4. What if I struggle with a particular topic in the prerequisites?



Answer:

Struggling with certain topics is completely normal. Here's how you can overcome challenges:

- Review the Resources: Revisit the recommended tutorials and documentation.
- Practice More: Apply what you've learned through additional assignments or mini-projects.
- **Seek Help:** Join online forums, study groups, or utilize the **Learn Next.js GPT** assistant for personalized support.
- **Take Breaks:** Sometimes stepping away for a short period can help you return with a fresh perspective.

5. Are there any recommended study schedules or plans?

Answer:

While flexibility is important, having a structured plan can enhance your learning. Here's a suggested weekly plan:

- Monday-Wednesday: Focus on HTML and CSS basics.
- Thursday-Friday: Dive into JavaScript fundamentals.
- **Saturday:** Explore TypeScript and its integration with JavaScript.
- **Sunday:** Learn Git and GitHub essentials.
- Throughout the Week: Allocate time for basic design principles and Figma tutorials.

Adjust this schedule based on your progress and understanding of each topic.

6. What resources are available if I need extra help?

Answer:

You have multiple resources at your disposal:

• Instructor Assistance: Reach out during discord hours via Discord.



- Peer Support: Join senior student groups or discord to collaborate with fellow students.
- Al Assistance: Use the Learn Next.js GPT for personalized guidance. <u>Access Learn</u> Next.js GPT
- Additional Learning Platforms: Utilize platforms like freeCodeCamp, Codecademy, Coursera, and Udemy for supplementary tutorials and courses.

7. Do I need any specific software or tools to complete the prerequisites?

Answer:

Yes, ensure you have the following tools installed:

- Code Editor: Visual Studio Code (recommended)
- Version Control: Git and GitHub Desktop
- **Design Tool:** Figma for UI/UX design practice
- Node.js and npm: Install the latest versions from Node.js Official Site

Additionally, make sure your computer meets the necessary system requirements to run these tools smoothly.

8. How should I approach the assignments and projects in the prerequisites?

Answer:

Approach each assignment and project methodically:

- Understand the Requirements: Read through the assignment instructions carefully.
- Plan Your Work: Break down the task into smaller, manageable steps.
- Start Early: Begin working on assignments as soon as possible to give yourself ample time to complete them.
- Seek Feedback: Share your work with peers or mentors to gain constructive feedback.
- Iterate and Improve: Use the feedback to refine your projects and enhance your skills.



9. What if I miss a topic or assignment in the prerequisites?

Answer:

Missing a topic or assignment can be addressed by:

- **Reviewing the Launchpad:** Revisit the prerequisite topics and focus on the missed areas.
- Utilizing Resources: Use the provided resources to catch up on the missed content.
- Asking for Help: Reach out to instructors or peers for guidance on the topics you've missed.
- Dedicated Study Time: Allocate extra time to ensure you cover all necessary material before the course begins.

10. How will completing the prerequisites benefit me in the Next.js & React course?

Answer:

Completing the prerequisites will:

- Enhance Understanding: You'll grasp advanced concepts in Next.js and React more easily.
- Boost Confidence: Solid foundational knowledge will make you feel more confident tackling complex topics.
- Improve Efficiency: Writing clean, efficient code becomes easier with a strong base.
- **Ensure Success:** You'll be better prepared to complete assignments, projects, and participate in hackathons without feeling overwhelmed.

11. Can I complete the prerequisites at my own pace?

Answer:

Yes, the Launchpad is designed to be flexible. You can work through the materials at a pace that



suits your schedule. However, to stay on track with the Q2 course, aim to complete the prerequisites before the course commencement. Regular, consistent study habits will help you make steady progress.

12. What should I do after completing the prerequisites?

Answer:

Once you've completed the prerequisites:

- Review Your Knowledge: Go through your notes and projects to reinforce what you've learned.
- **Prepare Mentally:** Get ready to dive into the Next.js & React Comprehensive Course with confidence.
- **Set Goals:** Define what you aim to achieve in the Q2 course to stay motivated and focused.
- Stay Engaged: Continue practicing and exploring additional resources to keep your skills sharp.

13. Is there any certification or acknowledgment for completing the prerequisites?

Answer:

While this Launchpad document itself does not offer certification, successfully completing the prerequisites will significantly enhance your readiness and performance in the Next.js & React Comprehensive Course, leading to successful certification upon course completion.

14. How can I track my progress through the prerequisites?

Answer:

Tracking your progress can be achieved by:



- **Checklists:** Create a checklist of all prerequisite topics and assignments. Mark them off as you complete each one.
- Learning Logs: Maintain a journal or log to document what you've learned each day.
- Project Milestones: Set milestones for your projects and track your achievements against them.
- **Use Tools:** Utilize project management tools like Trello, Asana, or Notion to organize and monitor your progress.

15. What mindset should I adopt while working through the prerequisites?

Answer:

Adopting a positive and resilient mindset is crucial:

- **Stay Curious:** Embrace the learning process with enthusiasm and a willingness to explore new concepts.
- **Be Patient:** Understand that mastery takes time and effort. Don't rush; focus on truly understanding each topic.
- Stay Persistent: Push through challenges and setbacks. Persistence is key to overcoming obstacles.
- Celebrate Small Wins: Acknowledge and celebrate your progress, no matter how small, to stay motivated.

16. Can I collaborate with other students while working on the prerequisites?

Answer:

Yes, collaboration can enhance your learning experience:

• **Study Groups:** Form or join study groups to discuss concepts and work on assignments together.



- Peer Reviews: Share your work with peers to receive feedback and gain new perspectives.
- Online Communities: Participate in online forums, Discord channels, or Slack groups related to web development to connect with fellow learners.

17. What if I decide not to continue with the Next.js & React course after starting the prerequisites?

Answer:

If you decide not to continue:

- Review Your Goals: Reflect on your reasons and consider if adjusting your approach might help.
- **Seek Guidance:** Talk to instructors or mentors to discuss your challenges and explore possible solutions.
- **Take a Break:** Sometimes stepping away temporarily can help you return with renewed motivation.
- **Explore Alternatives:** If Next.js & React no longer align with your goals, consider exploring other technologies or fields that interest you more.

18. How do I stay motivated throughout the prerequisite learning process?

Answer:

Maintaining motivation is essential for success:

- Set Clear Goals: Define what you want to achieve with each study session and overall.
- Track Progress: Regularly review your achievements to see how far you've come.
- Reward Yourself: Treat yourself for completing milestones to stay encouraged.
- **Stay Connected:** Engage with the community, share your progress, and seek support when needed.



 Visualize Success: Keep your end goals in mind and visualize the benefits of mastering Next.js & React.

19. Are there any specific hardware or software requirements for the prerequisites?

Answer:

Ensure you have the following:

- Reliable Computer/Laptop: A computer with sufficient processing power and memory to run development tools smoothly.
- **Stable Internet Connection:** Necessary for accessing online resources, tutorials, and collaborative platforms.
- **Installed Tools:** As mentioned earlier, make sure to install VS Code, Git, Node.js, npm, and Figma before starting.
- **Browser:** A modern web browser like Google Chrome or Firefox for testing and debugging your projects.

20. How can I make the most out of this Launchpad document?

Answer:

To maximize the benefits:

- Follow the Structured Path: Adhere to the suggested learning path to build your skills progressively.
- **Engage Actively:** Take notes, ask questions, and participate in discussions.
- Apply What You Learn: Implement your knowledge through hands-on projects and assignments.
- **Utilize All Resources:** Take advantage of the recommended tutorials, documentation, and tools.



 Stay Consistent: Regular study and practice will reinforce your learning and build your confidence.

Need More Help?

If you have any additional questions or need further assistance, please reach out through the following channels:

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- Peer Support: Connect with fellow students through senior student study groups or discord.
- Al Assistance: Use the Learn Next.js GPT for personalized help. <u>Access Learn Next.js</u>
 GPT

Final Encouragement

Embarking on this learning journey is a significant step toward becoming a proficient web developer. Remember, every expert was once a beginner. Stay dedicated, seek support when needed, and believe in your ability to master these skills. Your future in web development starts here!

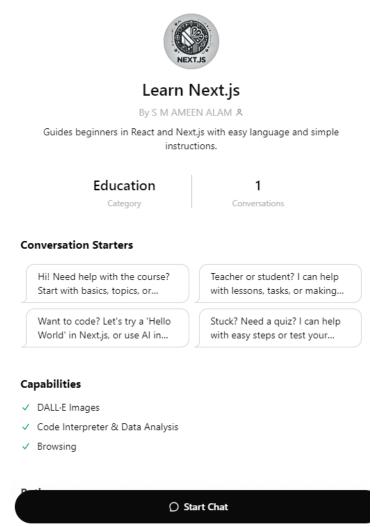


Note: Assistance with Learn Next.js GPT

students can also utilize the <u>Learn Next.js</u> GPT for additional support. This customized GPT is specifically designed to help with learning Next.js and React. To access it:

https://chatgpt.com/g/g-qSmFbCc9v-learn-next-js/

- 1. Open ChatGPT.
- Go to the GPT store and search for "Learn Next.js."
- 3. Ensure you select the GPT created by **S M Ameen Alam** to get the correct one.



This GPT will provide step-by-step guidance, answer questions, and offer explanations tailored to your learning needs. It's a valuable resource as you prepare to assist others in the course.

This course is designed to gradually build your skills, with each milestone laying the foundation for the next. Senior students are expected to familiarize themselves with the content ahead of time to provide support during sessions, ensuring a collaborative and enriching learning experience for everyone.

Feel free to refer to the <u>Panaverse Learn</u>
<u>Next.js GitHub repository</u> and the <u>official</u>
<u>Next.js documentation</u> for detailed
examples and additional learning
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