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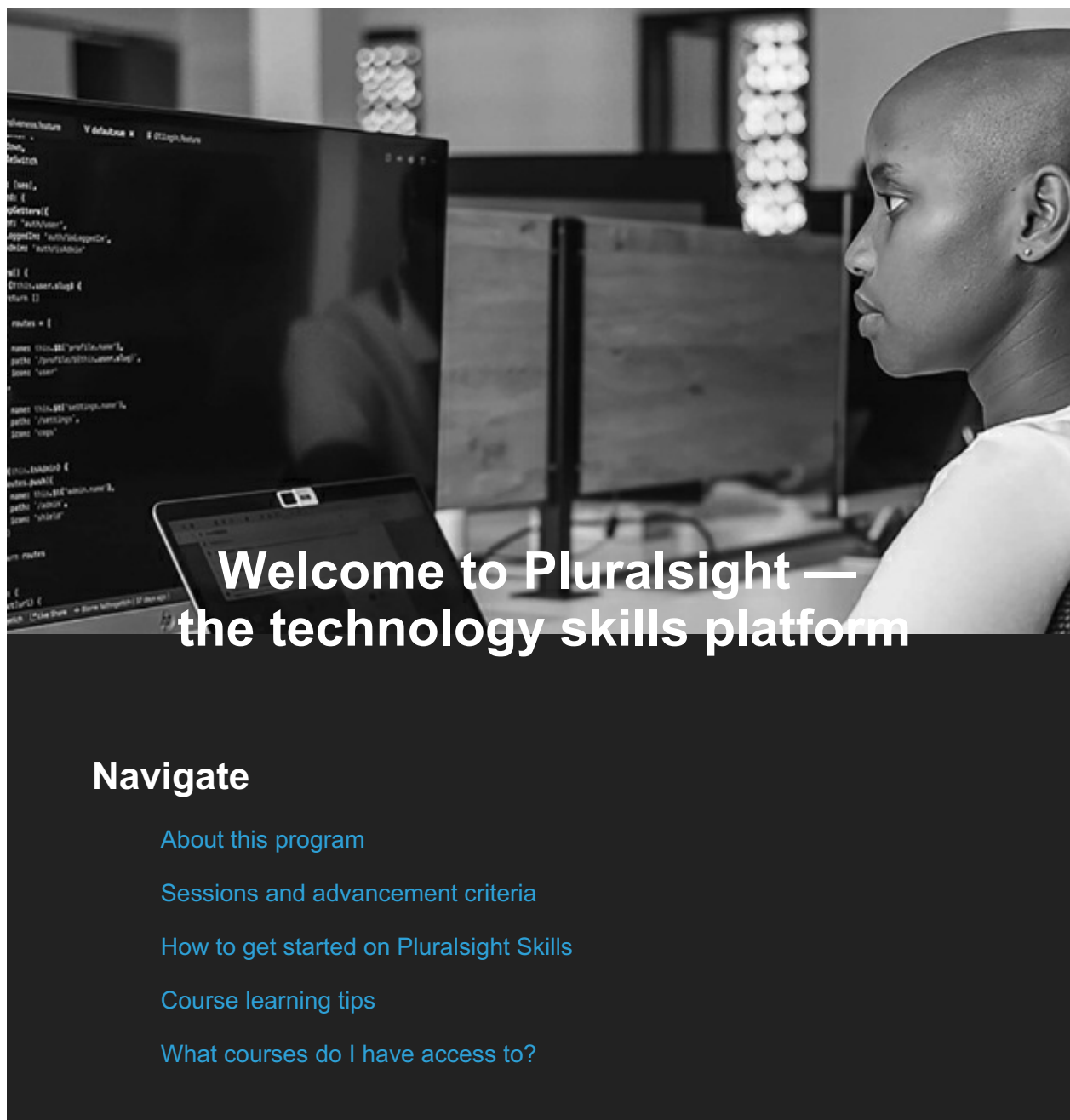

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About this program

The Google Africa Developer Scholarship program has sponsored 30,000 aspiring developers in Africa to skill up with Pluralsight Skills, supported by the Andela Learning Community (https://andela.com/alc/).

Participants receive free, limited-time access to Pluralsight Skills, with handpicked courses focused on one of three areas: Associate Android Developer, Google Cloud Engineering, or Mobile Web Specialist.

This program has multiple phases for you to gain access to excellent Pluralsight Skills courses as well as mentoring from the Andela Learning Community. All of this is to help you upskill on important Google technologies.

Keep learning and stay motivated

To continue advancing through the sessions to get access to more courses and mentoring, you'll need to **prove you're dedicated** to learning these tech skills. You can do this by:

- Registering for your selected track

    Important: Applicants will be considered for advancement in only one track as selected in the onboarding survey during registration.

- Completing all requirements to advance to the next phase
- Participating in Andela challenges and meetups when you can

Advancing to each subsequent phase will help you master in-demand Google developer skills with expert-authored Pluralsight content. You'll gain skills that can help you get opportunities after the program.

Learners who complete the program may be eligible for an opportunity to **take a Associate Android Developer or Associate Cloud Engineer Google certification exam** with the certification exam fee paid for by Google.

Important: Mobile Web Specialist learners **will not** be eligible for Google certification.

Tip: If you watch a course or take a skill assessment during one of the phases, that activity will count both toward the current phase **as well as** toward any **future** phases you may advance to.

Phases and advancement criteria

Application Phase

Timeframe: active now

What you'll get access to

- Access to Pluralsight courses targeted to your interest in Google Cloud, Android, or Mobile Web.
- Access to skill assessments and Role IQ to measure and group your skills.

How to advance to the next session*

- **Register at this link** (https://pluralsight.com/partners/google/africa/google-africa-developer-scholarship-2020) and meet the program criteria.
- Take the Andela onboarding survey with the same email you used to register on Pluralsight. **Make sure to select which track you're focusing on by completing the onboarding survey.**
- Watch one or more hours of Pluralsight content in the track you chose.

Learning Phase 1

Timeframe: to be announced

What you'll get access to

- Even more Pluralsight courses in the track you chose.
- Access to the Andela learning community and mentoring through your learning journey.

How to advance to the next session*

- Get a Skill IQ over 100 in your chosen track, or:

- Watch at least ten hours of Pluralsight courses in your track.

Learning Phase 2

Timeframe: to be announced

What you'll get access to

- Even more Pluralsight courses in the track you chose.

- Continued access to the Andela learning community.

How to advance to the next session*

- Earn a Skill IQ over 200 in the AAD track or over 180 in the MWS or ACE track, or:

- Watch at least twenty hours of Pluralsight courses in your chosen track.

Projects Phase

Timeframe: to be announced

What you'll get access to

- Even more Pluralsight courses in the track you chose.

- Continued access to the Andela learning community.

How to advance to the next session*

- Earn a Skill IQ over 200 in the AAD or ACE track or over 180 in the MWS track, or:

- Watch at least twenty hours of Pluralsight courses in your chosen track, and:

- Complete your track-specific project (AAD and MWS tracks) or complete 100% of track-related Qwiklabs (ACE track).

Certification Phase

Timeframe: to be announced

What you'll get access to
An opportunity to take a free Google certification exam.**

* Please note that Pluralsight and the other partners making this offer available may change selection criteria at their discretion. Additional selection criteria may include first come, first serve; most content viewed; highest Skill IQ.

** Mobile Web Specialist learners **will not** be eligible for Google certification.

Your access to the Andela Learning Community is limited to our selection for each session. Additionally, your access to Pluralsight may end early if you do not advance sessions.

In order to participate in the Google Africa Certification Scholarship program, you must be at least 18 years of age and be a resident of a country in Africa.
See this page for complete details (https://pluralsight.com/partners/google/africa/google-africa-developer-scholarship).

Note: If you're in the MWS track, your Skill IQ requirement for advancement to Learning Phase 2 and the Projects phase will be the average across two of the three MWS Skill IQs. Advancement past the Projects phase will require you to meet the Skill IQ requirement average across all three Skill IQs.

How to get started on Pluralsight Skills

1. Register, then log in to Pluralsight.

First, choose your track on this registration page. You can select more than one track, but you will only be considered for advancement in the track you self-select in your Andela onboarding survey (http://bit.ly/GADS2020BaselineSurvey).

Then, to get started on Pluralsight Skills, log in (https://app.pluralsight.com/id/) and explore your custom homepage (https://app.pluralsight.com/library/).

> **Tip:** Not sure what your password is? Click here to reset your password (https://app.pluralsight.com/id/ForgotPassword), and we'll email you a link to finish resetting your password. Here's more password reset help (https://help.pluralsight.com/help/how-do-i-reset-my-password) if you get stuck.

Throughout the program, you'll receive emails from Pluralsight with updates on the program. You'll also receive email communications from Andela. Mentoring will take place in the Andela Slack community.

> **Note:** You **must** complete the Andela survey in your Pluralsight Skills, track-focused channel, in order to be eligible for Learning Phase I (see chart above).

2. Once you're logged into Pluralsight, use channels to guide your learning.

You'll find channels on your homepage in Pluralsight Skills. A channel is a grouping of courses centered around a specific technology or learning goal. Here's a list of all the

channels and what they contain (http://help.pluralsight.com/help/gads-2020-courses). We've hand-picked these collections of courses to guide your learning.

You'll also see another channel, **targeted at upgrading your technology career** by building your professional business skills.

> **Tip:** You can watch the content in these channels in **any order.** Feel free to pick what interests you and go from there.

Keep reading for tips on skill assessments and our courses to get the most out of your Pluralsight access.

Take learning with you

Download courses onto your phone or laptop for learning on your schedule. Take Pluralsight with you and play courses offline. Click here to get the Pluralsight app. (https://www.pluralsight.com/downloads)

3. Skill up with skill assessments and course tools.

What are Pluralsight skill assessments? They're a simple way to quickly measure a tech skill.

After taking a skill assessment, you'll get both a numeric score and a level of novice, proficient, or expert in a skill area—that's your Skill IQ. You can even share your Skill IQ on social media, Stack Overflow, and LinkedIn.

After you get your Skill IQ, Pluralsight will give you a personalized skill analysis and recommendations on what courses to take to close your skill gaps.

Did you make a mistake, or want to take the assessment again? You get one free Skill IQ do-over, and you can also earn retakes by watching more courses. Here's how. (https://help.pluralsight.com/help/how-can-i-re-measure-my-skill-iq)

Course learning tips

Each Pluralsight Skills video course details page has tools to help you succeed.

You can begin each course by clicking the **Start Course** button. Below that button, you'll find some of these extra learning aids:

- A clickable **transcript** of the course

  Note: While many Pluralsight courses have transcripts, some do not. We are adding transcripts to courses every week.

- **Exercise files** to download. For some courses, this is a .PDF of the course slides; other course exercise files allow you to code along with the author.
- A **Discussion** board that allows you to post questions and learn along with other learners
- Some courses have **learning checks** that help gauge what you've learned from the course.

Tip: If you have a Windows or MacOS device, download our offline app

(https://www.pluralsight.com/downloads) so you can download courses for playing later.

On the video player, be sure to notice these features:

A : You can skip ahead or backward 10 seconds.

B : Most courses support closed captioning, or subtitles. If the course has closed captions, you can use our translation (https://help.pluralsight.com/help/what-is-the-video-player#features) tool, also.

C : You can speed up or slow down the course playback.

D : From the Settings cogwheel, you can adjust the video playback quality, caption language, and also give us feedback on the course.

What courses do I have access to with the Google Africa Developer Scholarship 2020 program?

If you've registered and continued to qualify for access to the Grow with Google and Andela program, **please click your track below** to see what channels and courses you have access to. Channels are lists of the courses you have access to, grouped by topic. We'll add more courses to these lists for each session as the program continues.

> **Tip:** Remember, you can watch this content in any order.

When you click on a channel, please click the blue **Join** button to add the channel to your **My Channels** list. This way, it'll be easier to find your channels.

To find these channels after you've joined them, click **Channels** (https://app.pluralsight.com/channels) in your navigation.

Click your track below to see your courses

ANDROID DEVELOPER	CLOUD ENGINEER	MOBILE WEB SPECIALIST

Android developer channels and courses

Application Phase channels

- Associate Android Developer Foundations Channel

  (https://app.pluralsight.com/channels/details/b737df2b-70f9-4dde-8175-570186a88785)

- Associate Android Developer Foundational Deep Dive Channel

  (https://app.pluralsight.com/channels/details/a909bc27-db3f-4fee-b2cf-1d5ef974c109)

In **addition**, all three tracks grant access to an **optional channel** with additional courses:

OPTIONAL: Business Professional Channel (https://app.pluralsight.com/channels/details/6165d6d9-ed82-48d6-80cf-607375e79705)

This channel includes various business professional and soft skills courses. Course view time in this channel will **not** count toward the view time needed to advance to additional phases.

Tip: Do you want to download courses to your laptop to play offline, instead of your phone? Here's how to download courses faster.

First, download the MacOS or Windows offline player. Then, authorize your device following

Finally, click to each of your channels, and click on each course. You'll find a **Download course** text link on the course page.

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If you need help, please email support@pluralsight.com () for 24/7 assistance.