Speakers for today

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What is open source?

Open source corresponds to "opened source codes" of softwares that have been released under a license, with the owner allowing its modification by different contributors.

Open Source Initiatives to look out for

- Google Summer of Code (GSoC)
- Outreachy
- Rail Girls Summer of Code (RGSoC)
- Google Code-In (GCI)
- Kharagpur Winter of Code (KWoC)

Perks

- Bragging Rights
- Resume, referrals, and interviews
- Attractive stipends and swag
- Great exposure to gain experience
- Learn from the best!



What is Google Summer of Code?

- An initiative by Google to award stipends to university students working for open source organisations
- Work on an open source project for 3 months in the summer

Essential timeline breakpoints

- Mid-January: Applications open
- Late-Feb: Orgs Announced
- Late-March: Application period commences
- Early-May: Accepted students announced
- GSOC!

How to become a part of Google Summer of Code





Deciding your field

- What programming language to choose?
- What resources to study?



Deciding your organisation

- Past participation in Google Summer of Code
- Interest in organisation's goals
- Interest in technologies used
- Max 3 (but later narrow down to 1)

Breaking the ice

- Communication platforms (Mailing lists, IRC, Gitter, Slack, Zoom)
- Understanding your organisation's work culture
- Effective communication with mentors and fellow developers
- Getting in your first pull request
- Continuing on to other issues
- Helping others in the community

Commencement of GSoC

- Organisation selection by Google
- Project listing by organisations
- Deciding your project

The Proposal

- Getting started
- Constant review by mentors and experienced people you trust (developers met with at meetups, seniors etc)
- Submission!

After proposal

- Continue volunteering in the communityconsistency is the key
- Results out in April
- Moving forward with your organisation

Mythbusters

- Field of study does NOT matter
- Do NOT rely on support from 3rd party sources
- More skillful or more consistent?
- Do you require to understand the whole codebase before beginning with the contributions?
- Individual's attendance

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Q/A Round: Ask away your doubts!