

What is GSoC?

Google Summer of Code (GSoC) is an online, international program designed to encourage university student participation in open source software development



About

Students work for an open source software organization, and earn a stipend for successfully completing the project

University students spend their time outside of school working in a field that can help them with their studies and career *after* university



Goals of the program

- Help organizations continue to identify and bring in new developers each year
- Expose students to real world software development scenarios
- Help students build a strong network when applying for jobs



How does GSoC work?

- Open source software projects apply to be a mentor organizations
- Google chooses the organizations to participate (178 in 2016)
- Students submit project proposals to mentor organizations



How does GSoC work?

- Mentor organizations choose the students they'd like to accept
- Students are paired with a mentor to help them throughout their project
- Coding begins! Students work towards milestones laid out in their project proposal with their mentor over 12 weeks



Evaluations

- Students must pass a midterm and final evaluation
- Students who pass each evaluation are paid a stipend for their work
- At the conclusion of GSoC, students submit the code they've written for their project for everyone to see and use!



Stipends

- Google provides a stipend of 5500 USD per accepted student developer
- Accepted students in good standing receive 500 USD shortly after coding begins
- Students receive 2250 USD shortly after passing the mid-term evaluation
- Students receive 2750 USD shortly after the passing the final evaluation



Eligibility

- Over 18 upon registration
- Accepted into or enrolled in a university program by the student acceptance date (was April 22 for 2016)
- Eligible to work in the country in which you reside



Statistics

- In 12 years over 12,000 students from 104 countries have been accepted into GSoC
- Countries with the most students:
 - India (2262), United States (2202), and Germany (717)
- Approximately 50 million lines of code have been produced



Useful links

- Program Site: http://g.co/gsoc
- Student Manual: http://g.co/gsoc/studentmanual
- Google Open Source Blog: http://google-opensource.blogspot.com



2016 Program Timeline

Mar 14 - Mar 25: Students submit their proposals

Apr 22: Accepted Students are announced

Apr 22 - May 23: Community bonding period with orgs

May 23 - Aug 23: Students code the summer away

Aug 30: Successful student projects are announced

2017 program likely to be announced with timeline in October



Questions?