

January 6, 2016

Dear Rutgers Coding Bootcamp Students (RCB),

The final countdown to class has started. In just under 3 weeks we will begin our journey together. This orientation package is designed to prepare you for class, so please read it carefully because it requires you to complete several time-sensitive actions.

This package is geared to both our Mon/Wed/Sat section (Section 1) and our Tues/Thu/Sat (Section 2) students. Please pay careful attention to specific dates. If you are unsure of your section, or if you have any other questions once you review this document, please contact your success coach, **Jed Woodarek** at jwoodarek@docs.rutgers.edu.

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### 1. ACTION REQUIRED

## A. REQUIRED BY JANUARY 15

#### NetID

Please set up your NetID by <u>January 15th</u>. Your NetID will give you access to a Rutgers e-mail address, internet access on campus, the ability to order your student ID card, and more. To learn more about the University services you can access and to sign up for your NetID, please go here: <u>NetID Set up</u>

Note: when you are signing up for your NetID, please choose the following:



**Department:** Technical Support **Sponsor:** Edward Bedikian

**SLACK**: SLACK is a communication and collaboration tool we'll use throughout

the class. You'll receive an e-mail <u>January 11th</u> inviting you to open your SLACK account. Our AMA (Ask Me Anything!) with your instructor, John Dougherty or Ahmed Haque will be held via SLACK, and it will be an integral part of communication among students as well. We ask that

you each download SLACK to your mobile device as well.

Please make sure that you are up to date on your payments. If

you have any questions, please contact Jed Woodarek.

Resume: If you did not attach your resume with your application, please e-mail it to

<u>jwoodarek@docs.rutgers.edu</u> by <u>January 15th.</u>

## 2. LOCATION/TIMES/DATES

Location:

Weekday classes until May 19: Class will meet at Public Safety Building (PSB) Room 205B - 55 Commercial Avenue, New Brunswick, NJ Link: http://rumaps.rutgers.edu/location/public-safety-building

Saturdays: Class will meet in <u>Room 4085</u> at the Business School at: 100 Rockafeller Road on the Livingston Campus in Piscataway, NJ. Link: http://www.business.rutgers.edu//.

Starting May 23rd: All classes will take place at Rutgers Business School Class will meet in different rooms throughout the week, and we will provide you with a room schedule at that time.

Classroom changes/updates: will be sent via e-mail and SLACK. If you are in the building and cannot locate us, please call Jed Woodarek at (716) 949-9977.

Course Calendar: You will find a general course calendar with this packet that will be

updated periodically. Kindly review your class dates and mark the days

that there will be no class.

Times: Class starts sharply at:

Weekdays - 6:30pm-9:30pm - One (1) 15 minute break



Saturdays - 10am-2:00pm - One (1) 40 minute lunch break

From time to time we will hold career workshops after class. Most will be held on Saturdays from 2:15pm-3:30pm, and we will notify you each month of all events.

Please allot extra time to find parking and to get to class. The parking lots do fill up and no spot is guaranteed.

We advise that students arrive early for the first class to familiarize yourself with the Business School and parking.

Structure: There are 2 separate weekday classes. Monday/Wednesday

AND another class on Tuesday/Thursday. On Saturday, both weekday sessions will combine into 1 class. Due to limited classroom space

during the week, we will not allow any students in the

Monday/Wednesday class to attend Tuesday/Thursday (and vice versa).

Course ID: RUT0125FSF (Mon/Wed) and RUT0126FSF (Tues/Thurs)

Virtual Orientation/

**Pre-Work Office Hours:** AMA (Ask me anything) via SLACK:

RUT0125FSF - 01/13/2016 6:30pm - 8:00pm RUT0126FSF - 01/14/2016 6:30pm - 8:00pm

Pre-Work Virtual Office Hours via SLACK: RUT0125FSF - 01/18/2016 6:30pm - 8:00pm RUT0125FSF - 01/19/2016 6:30pm - 8:00pm

**Networking**: You will have an opportunity to meet with fellow students

before and after class in PSB (outside in the foyer) and in the Business School, there are public lounge areas on the second and fifth floors

where you can congregate.

Extra Help: There will be no "regular" class on Tuesday, May 31 (day after Memorial

Day) and Tuesday, July 5, 2016. If anyone in either session needs extra help, we will be available in the Business School on these dates during

regular hours.

## 3. TRANSPORTATION

Policy:

Please familiarize yourself with the transportation policies as



Rutgers strictly enforces parking rules and any ticket issued will be solely

your responsibility to pay. http://parktran.rutgers.edu/

Maps/Directions/Parking:

General information:

http://newbrunswick.rutgers.edu/visit/maps-directions-parking

Parking at PSB specific for our class: Parking is complimentary in the deck behind PSB.

From George Street, make left on Commercial Ave, make a left on Neilson Street, and the 1st left after that on Elijah's Way. The deck entrance is on the left (before Abeel Street). See map. From Route 18, make a right on Neilson, left on Elijah's Way, the deck is on the left. When you pull in, you should see Rutgers police cars on level 1.



Parking at the **Business School** specific for our class:

Parking passess for the Business School will be provided on the 1st day of class (in "PSB"). You will need to complete the lower part of the parking tag with your contact information and license plate number, then hand it to us or mail it in.

Mass Transit:

Train NJ Transit - http://www.njtransit.com

You may want to inquire if you can get the student rate.

Rutgers bus schedule/cost -

http://parktran.rutgers.edu/campusbuses.shtml

Helpful App for the Rutgers bus: "NextBus"

http://www.nextbus.com/predictor/stopSelector.jsp?a=rutgers



## 4. CLASS POLICIES

Attendance Policy: Attendance is mandatory. You will have hands-on access in class

to the professor and the community. Your ideas are important to this classroom experience. Four absences will be permitted for the duration

of the bootcamp (95% attendance requirement)

Bad Weather Policy: If we are NOT holding class, we will contact you via e-mail and

SLACK.

Food/Beverage: Not allowable in the classrooms. Please be sure to eat before class or be

prepared to wait for formal breaks. We recommend that you bring your

lunch on Saturdays.

<u>Food Outlets</u> <u>PSB:</u> There is a small deli before you walk into PSB.

<u>Business School:</u> You can find this information under "Dining Halls, Eateries, and stores": http://newbrunswick.rutgers.edu/about/livingston-

campus

**E-mail Policy:** Please make sure we have your preferred e-mail for all class

communications. It is an e-mail that you should be checking daily.

### 5. CONTENT

<u>Curriculum:</u> Students will receive an overview of each lecture, lab, and project

as a component of the pre-work package that you will receive on

1/8/2016. We have included our curriculum overview with this orientation

package.

<u>Classroom Supplies:</u> Please bring your computer and power cord. We suggest to fully

power your device before coming to each class.

Wifi: Available if you have your NetID.

LMS: (LMS) Learning Management System. You will find your class

schedule, assignments, lectures and links to recorded videos on our LMS. All materials will be provided prior to each class. You will receive an invite to our LMS and your pre-work there on 1/8/2016. We will not provide any written materials during class so we recommend you



download materials to your laptop prior to each class in case there are any internet access challenges.

#### Career Services:

We will be integrating a number of career services throughout the course. In addition to career workshops, we will be hosting hiring partners for meet and greets, guest lectures, and demo days. We will tell you more about our Outcomes curriculum during the first day of class. Those services will be available after classes on Saturday (dates TBD).

# 6. GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS / TIPS FOR A SUCCESSFUL EXPERIENCE:

#### Requirements:

- a. You must not miss more than 4 classes over the course of the program. We encourage you to plan to arrive at least 10 minutes prior to class.
- b. You must complete 23/24 of your homework assignments.
- c. You must complete 5/5 class projects.
- d. You must complete your GitHub profile.
- e. You must make at least 5 Stack Overflow contributions during the course of RCB.
- f. All assignments are due on the written due dates.

#### Expectations/Tips:

- a. Please download all materials on your personal device and review them at least the day before the class date.
- b. We encourage you to actively participate to enhance your class experience as well as share your ideas with your fellow students.

<u>Graduation:</u> Graduation day is Saturday, July 16. Class will be held as per

usual schedule. Details will follow.

<u>Certificates:</u> Certificates will be mailed a few weeks after class.

What you should expect at the end of the class:

In addition to the certificate, you will have a portfolio site that showcases



your projects throughout the course. This will include links to the sites you've developed and deployed along with code samples. This all culminates to hiring events and interviews where you will showcase your skill-set.

#### 7. FINDING US

Office Hours: Our TAs will be available at least 45 minutes prior to class in the 2nd

floor foyer of PSB and in the lounge area of the business school and 30

minutes after each class.

Office Hour Slots: First come, first served.

<u>Virtual Office</u> For the M/W class, there will be **virtual office hours** on

<u>via SLACK:</u> <u>Tuesday</u> from 6:30pm - 8:30pm.

For the Tu/Th class, there will be virtual office hours on

Wednesday from 6:30pm - 8:30pm.

<u>Contact Information:</u> Jed: (716) 949-9977

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PSB: (732) 932-7211 (they will not have information about our class)

Business School Building (848) 445-3600 (they will not have information

about our class)