

IOS DEVELOPMENT 101

TAKEAWAYS

We covered a lot today! Here are the top five things to remember:

- 1. Building iOS apps is a combination of building prototypes, user interface design, writing code, managing media assets, and submitting to the App Store, all handled through Apple's integrated development environment called Xcode.
- 2. Storyboards enable you to compose user interfaces and prototype entire apps.
- 3. Swift is Apple's new programming language of choice, which is much more concise and approachable than its predecessor, Objective-C.
- 4. You can run prototype apps in the iOS simulator or on your device.
- 5. Leverage the Apple developer community (e.g. third-party libraries, frameworks, etc.) to accelerate your learning and app building.

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KEY TERM	DEFINITION
Simulator	An application provided with Xcode that enables you to mimic an iOS device on your Mac and run in-progress apps.
Operating System	Software that abstracts hardware from your apps and enables you to build for multiple devices (e.g. iOS, macOS, etc.).
IDE	Or Integrated Development Environment, a set of interrelated tools that enables you to build apps more conveniently.
View	A user interface element with size, rendering rules, and the ability to hold other views, provided by UIKit.
View Controller	Represents a single Scene in an iOS app.

RESOURCES

Want to dig deeper? Check out some of these resources:

- Apple's Developer Site https://developer.apple.com
- Resources and videos from WWDC https://developer.apple.com/wwdc/
- Apple's Human Interface Guidelines https://developer.apple.com/ios/human-interface-guidelines/
- Apple's iBook on Swift https://itunes.apple.com/us/book/swift-programming-language/id1002622538
- General Assembly's iOS Development Immersive!