



Official Rules & Regulations

Future ready Talent

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These are the Official Rules ("Rules") that govern how the Future Ready Talent operates (the "Project").

DEFINITIONS

In these rules, "Future Ready Talent", "we," "our," and "us" refer to Sponsor and "you" and "yourself" refers to an eligible entrant.

OVERVIEW

Future Ready Talent is a virtual internship platform for students with an opportunity to learn the in-demand technology skills and work towards solving real world problem using the power of Microsoft Azure & GitHub tools. The students can earn internship credits on completion of the program with an entry to exclusive career fairs.

The program is open to all students who will be joining the workforce in next 2 years along with students who graduated in 2021.

ENTRY PERIOD

S.no	Activity Milestone	Start Date	End Date
1	Registration	15-Sep	24-Sep
2	Orientation Page+ Industry Readiness + Discussion Forum Opens	27-Sep	24-Dec
3	Self-Learning	6-Oct	24-Dec
4	Orientation Session: LIVE	6-Oct	6-Oct
5	Project Synopsis Stage	11-Nov	9 Dec
6	Final Project Submission	11-Nov	15-Dec
7	Project Mentoring Session	8-Dec	8- Dec
8	Project Evaluation Stage	11-Nov	24-Dec
9	Internship Result Announcement		28-Dec

In the final round of your internship, you must build and submit the project, The project should be based on the knowledge and skills (Azure, Data and AI, Security) that you have acquired during self-learning and industry sessions.

The project has two steps - Project synopsis and Final project Submission

Project Synopsis

In **Project Synopsis phase** once your project synopsis entry is submitted and the deadline has passed your category selection is locked and cannot be altered.

You are required to **submit your project synopsis by 9th Dec 2021**

During Project Synopsis, you are required to deliver the following materials:

- ❑ **Industry:** You must create a project aligned to any one of the below listed industries. You may only select one (1) of the category types to assign your entry to.
 - **Earth:** solutions for climate change, agriculture, and in green tech
 - **Ed-tech:** innovate to change the way students across the globe learn
 - **Fin-tech:** innovate to change the way we are doing transactions, business are transacting and making the online transactions safe and secure.
 - **Healthcare:** tackle issues in treatment, diagnosis, accessibility, and more
 - **Lifestyle:** projects that shape how we game, play, and live

During evaluation If the evaluator feels your entry is better suited for a different category, your entry may be re-assigned.

- ❑ **Project Title:** Draft the title for your project in 100 or less words. The title should be able to capture your project in a nutshell.
- ❑ **Problem Statement/Opportunity:** The project that you are planning should either be solving a problem statement to tapping to an existing opportunity. Describe of this two what your project is addressing and explain how in less than 150 words.
 - **Problem Statement:** The project that you are making is intending to solve a problem, need, requirement that is existing.
 - **Opportunity:** Does the project create a new category of product or service or does the project clearly and meaningfully innovate beyond existing products or services? The project that you are making is intending to create a novel solution to solve for an existing need.
- ❑ **Project Description: A small para of up to 250 words to** explains your project what your project does; who your project is for; what platform features your project uses. It should cover broadly these points. You are required to articulate your project idea in a structured manner highlighting the key features.
 - What is the core idea: Solving a problem statement / working on an opportunity area?
 - What problem are you trying to solve, and how are you solving it?
 - How your project addresses a clear need, problem, or opportunity and is the solution clearly explained?
 - Is the project's purpose and basic functionality is mapped to the problem statement/opportunity area?
- ❑ **Core Azure Services:** Your project must have used more than 1 Azure services. You project will be evaluated based on the Azure services as selected by you. Select the services that you are planning to implement in your project.

All the fields are mandatory. Fill the give correct and exact information as per the specification. Any incorrect/fraudulent/inappropriate information can lead to disqualification of your entry.

- ❑ **Additional Azure Services:** If you are planning to use more than 3 Microsoft Azure services or other open services, include the same under additional services. Refer to the list of core azure services [Click here](#)

Once you fill all details you can

- ☐ Click on **Save** to stores your responses for you to review and edit them within the end date. You would like to review these later within the end date.
- ☐ Click on **Save and Submit** to submit your responses for evaluation and move to next stage of Final project submission.

The entries which are saved and not submitted for evaluation within the defined date will not be able to proceed to Final project submission.

The final project will be hosted on GitHub and hence requires you to create a GitHub account and complete the required GitHub course in Self learn page. These courses will be helpful for you to understand and know all required details.

Final Project Submission

The final project submission is the final step towards completing your virtual internship.

To unlock your final project submission, ensure that you have completed all the below

- ☐ Completed the Industry Videos
- ☐ Submitted correct details on orientation page
- ☐ Have you updated **Microsoft Azure** skills on LinkedIn?
- ☐ Create a GitHub account.
- ☐ Have claimed the student developer pack (for 2021 graduated you will get access to Azure pass)
- ☐ Completed and submitted the synopsis.

The final project will be hosted on GitHub and hence requires you to create a GitHub account and complete the required GitHub course in Self learn page. These courses will be helpful for you to understand and know all required details.

In the final project submission, you will be able to view the submission in the project synopsis stage. You will be able to edit these details. If there are some updates in the final project you can update the entry. The evaluation of the project will be based on the final details submitted by you.

- ☐ **Industry:** Check if the category selected by you is aligned to your project. During evaluation If the evaluator feels your entry is better suited for a different category, your entry may be re-assigned.
- ☐ **Project Title:** Review you project title and, if required, update basis the final project
- ☐ **Problem Statement/Opportunity:** Review you the submission, if required, update basis the final project
- ☐ **Project Description:** Review the project description and update if there are enhancements or updates.
- ☐ **Core Azure Services:** Your project should use 1 or more core Azure services. You project will be evaluated based on the Azure services as selected by you. Select the services that are implemented in the final project.
- ☐ **Additional Azure Services:** If you have used more than 3 Microsoft Azure services or other open services mention the same under additional services. Refer to the list of core azure services [Click here](#)

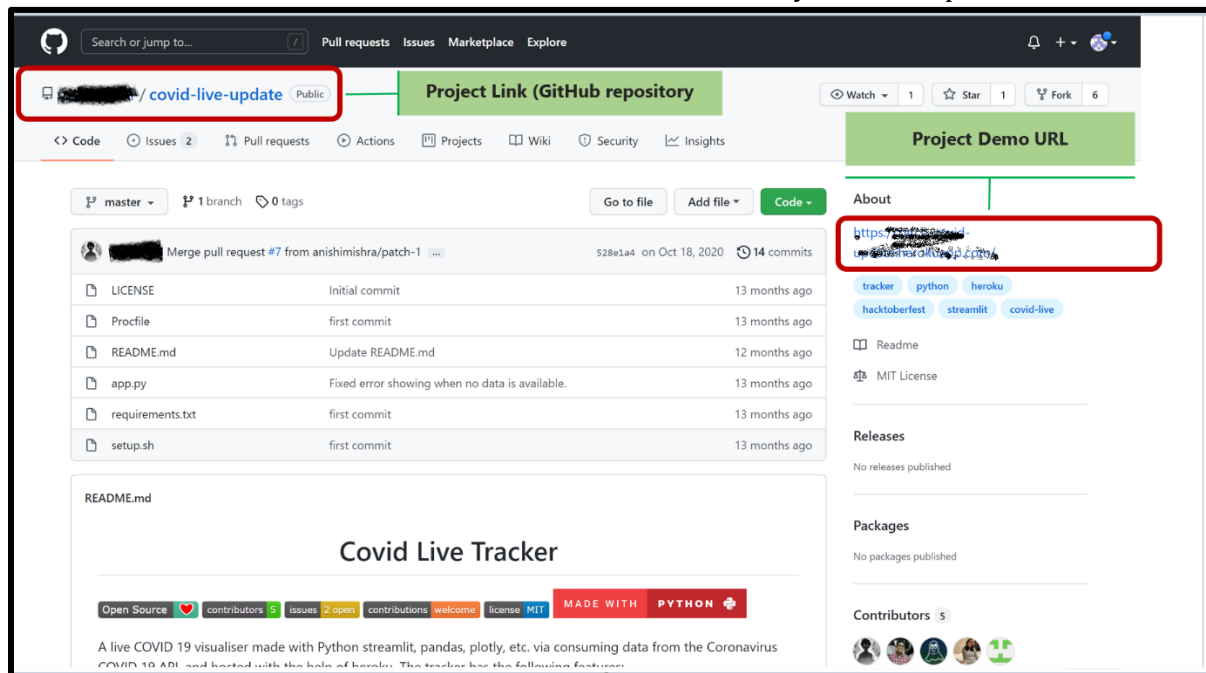
Additional to these details you must submit. See the screenshot below to identify the **Project link and Project demo URL**

- ❑ **Project Link (GitHub repository URL):** Share the link for your project. Ensure the link is a public URL and available for others to view.
- ❑ **Project Demo URL:** Ensure you check the URL before submitting. In case of incorrect URL, the project evaluation will not be done and the project will remain as not accepted.

All the fields are mandatory. Check the links before submitting, in case of incorrect URL, the project will be disqualified and would not be evaluated by the evaluators. Fill the give correct and exact information as per the specification. Any incorrect/fraudulent/inappropriate information can lead to disqualification of your entry.

Once you fill all the details and you would like to review these later, please click on **Save**. Clicking on **Save**, only stores your responses for you to review and edit them within the end date. The entry is not submitted.

Click on **Save and Submit** to submit your responses for evaluation.



Evaluation Criteria

	Criteria	Yes	No	Decision
1	Alignment to Industry Note: If the competition organizers/ judges feel your entry is better suited for a different category, your entry may be re-assigned.	✓	×	Yes: Approved No: Approved with Industry alignment updated

2	Alignment to Project title, Problem statement, Project description	✓	×	Yes: Approved No: Rejected
3	Core Azure services Whether, minimum 3, Azure services, as listed have been used	✓	×	Yes: Approved No: Approved, if 3 Azure services are used and point 2, 4 and 5 are Yes No: Rejected if minimum 3 services valid azure services are not used
5	Has the student submitted below URL accessible? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Project Link (GitHub repository URL): • Project Demo URL: 	✓	×	Yes: Approved basis above parameters No: Rejected
4	Is the prototype a working model	✓	×	Yes: Approved, if point 2, 3 and 5 is also Yes. No: Rejected, if all point 2, 3 and 5 is also Yes

Each entry be evaluated based on criteria above. Based on the details submitted by you the evaluator will validate check your project repository and the working model of the project. You are liable for the details submitted by you.

The decisions of the judges are final and binding. We are not liable to share any details on the evaluation and any detailed feedbacks and in case of any rejection the reason of rejection.

Result Announcement

Post the entry deadline for final project submission, the evaluation will be taken up by the team. The results will be announced on 28 Dec 2021

You can come and check your result on Future Ready Talent Website.

Successful candidates will be able to download the **Internship completion certificate**. The students who are not able to clear the project stage will be able download the Internship completion certification.

The students will get an additional chance to appear for project again, provided you have completed all pre-requisite steps. The detailed procedure for the same will be communicated to you on email.

GENERAL STANDARDS FOR ENTRIES

In addition to the requirements listed above, all entries must meet the following general standards:

- ☐ This is an individual project, and no teamwork is allowed. Individuals submitting same project will be disqualified and will not be evaluated.
- ☐ Your entry must be your own original work. If elements of your entry contain video, please note the video must be solely the work of yours, including but not limited to, the actual filming, editing, graphic design, etc.; and

- ☐ You must have obtained any and all consents, approvals, or licenses required for you to submit your entry; and You must not have used Microsoft property, internal resources, and/or the work of Microsoft employees, in connection with the creation or execution of an entry; and
- ☐ The content of your entry and any supporting materials must be acceptable for all viewing audiences. We will automatically disqualify any entrant that submits any entry or supporting materials that contain content that we, in our sole and absolute discretion find obscene or offensive, violent, defamatory, disparaging or illegal, or that promotes alcohol, illegal drugs, tobacco or a particular political agenda, or that communicates messages that may reflect negatively on the goodwill of Microsoft.
- ☐ We will disqualify any incomplete or illegible entries that we receive. We are not responsible for entries that we do not receive for any reason, or for entries that we receive but are not decipherable for any reason.

Important Note about cheating:

If someone cheats, or a virus, bug, bot, catastrophic event, natural disaster, or any other unforeseen or unexpected event that cannot be reasonably anticipated or controlled (also referred to as force majeure) affects the fairness and/or integrity of this Competition, we reserve the right to cancel, change, or suspend this Competition. This right is reserved whether the event is due to human or technical error. If a solution cannot be found to restore the integrity of the Competition, we reserve the right to promote entry from among all entries received before we had to cancel, change or suspend the Competition.

If you attempt to compromise the integrity or the legitimate operation of this Competition, or if we have reason to believe that you have compromised the integrity or the legitimate operation of this Competition by cheating, hacking, creating a bot or other automated program, or by committing fraud in any way, we may seek damages from you to the fullest extent permitted by law. Further, we may disqualify you, and ban you from participating in any of our future Competitions, so please play fairly.

Use of Entries

Other than what is set forth below, we are not claiming any ownership rights to your entry.

However, by submitting your entry, you:

- ☐ Are granting us an irrevocable, royalty-free, worldwide right and license to: (i) use, review, assess, test, and otherwise analyze your entry and all its content in connection with this Competition; and (ii) feature your entry and all its content in connection with the marketing, sale, or promotion of this Competition (including but not limited to internal and external presentations, tradeshow, and screen shots of the competition entry process in press releases) in all media (now known or later developed); and
- ☐ Agree to sign any necessary documentation that may be required for us and our designees to make use of the rights you granted above; and
- ☐ Agree to assist us and the Sponsors in the creation of case studies or white papers (together "Studies") detailing your entry or entries. Studies will not include any confidential participant information. Upon your approval of the Studies' accuracy, you agree to give us and the Sponsors permission to display the Studies including trademarks, logos, and other identifying information contained therein, on our

and the Sponsors websites and in other documentation. This documentation may take various forms, including printed materials, online articles, video, audio, and other digital recordings; and

- ☐ Understand and acknowledge that the Sponsor may have developed or commissioned materials similar or identical to your submission and you waive any claims you may have resulting from any similarities to your entry; and
- ☐ Understand that we cannot control the incoming information you will disclose to our representatives in the course of entering, or what our representatives will remember about your entry. You also understand that we will not restrict work assignments of representatives who have had access to your entry. By entering this Competition, you agree that use of information in our representatives unaided memories in the development or deployment of our products or services does not create liability for us under this agreement or copyright or trade secret law; and
- ☐ Understand and acknowledge that Sponsor does not endorse, approve, recommend, warrant or guarantee, and provides no opinion, recommendation, or advice regarding the accuracy, integrity, quality, safety, efficacy, suitability, or use of such entry, including but not limited to use of the entry for health, medical, or patient care purposes; and
- Understand that you will not receive any compensation or credit for use of your entry, other than what is described in these Official Rules

Please note that during and after this Competition your entry may be posted on a website selected by us for viewing by visitors to that website. Entries posted on a website are provided “as is”. This means that we disclaim all express and implied warranties about your entry and in no case will be liable for any damages or injury that accompany or result from the use, distribution, licensing, and/or sale of any entries. We are not responsible for any unauthorized use of your entry by visitors to this website.

While we reserve these rights, we are not obligated to use your entry for any purpose, even if it has been selected as a winning entry.

Personal data you provide while entering this Competition will be used by << Quess Corp>> and/or its agents and prize fulfillers acting on Microsoft’s behalf only for the administration and operation of this Contest and in accordance with the <<Privacy Statement>>

If you do not want to grant us these rights to your entry, please do not enter this Competition.

OTHER CONDITIONS

By entering this Competition, you agree:

- ☐ To abide by the Official Rules; and
- ☐ To release and hold harmless Microsoft, and its respective parents, subsidiaries, affiliates, employees, and agents from any and all liability or any injury, loss or damage of any kind arising from or in connection with this Competition or any prize won; and
- ☐ That Microsoft’s decisions will be final and binding on all matters related to this Competition; and
- ☐ That, by accepting a prize, Microsoft may use your proper name and state, country, or region of residence online and in print, or in any other media, in connection with this Competition, without payment or compensation to you, except where prohibited by law.