



Welcome to Bootcamp Coding

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My goal is to help you successfully complete the program!

10+ years in educational management

Fun Fact: MA in Theatre

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Cortney Totty

SHE/HER

Student Success Manager

"Education is the passport to the future, for tomorrow belongs to those who prepare for it today."

-Malcolm X

A highly dedicated proponent of educational access with 10+ years of student academic support.

Fun Fact:

Detroit Native with a love for Motown music and culture

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Virtual Class Best Practices

Zoom Basics

Most user controls located at bottom of your screen:

 Unmute	 Stop Video	 Security	 Participants	 Chat	 Share Screen	 Polling	 Record	 Reactions	 More
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Mute yourself unless you're speaking.	Video on during class. Add virtual backgrounds here.		Click "Participants" button to open menu to raise and lower hand.		Share your screen with others here.			Clap, thumbs up, etc. here.	

Best Practice 1: Always Mute

Please keep your microphone muted, unless you are called on or your host asks for feedback/communication.



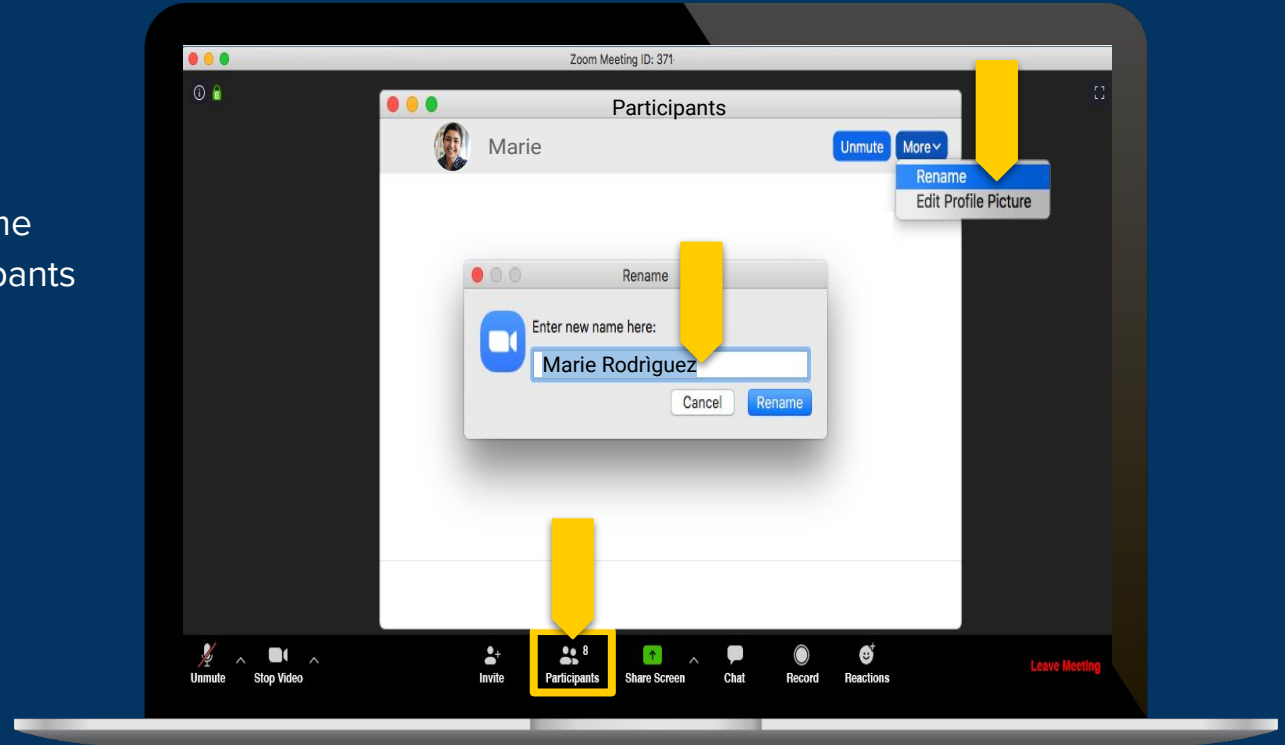
Best Practice 2: Turn Your Video On

Kindly turn your video on
so we can see you.



Best Practice 3: Update Your Name

Please update your name under the Zoom Participants tab to your full name.



Session Objectives

- Get to know your classmates as a community for collaborative learning
- Get to know the instructional team who will be providing holistic support throughout the program
- Understand the minimum requirements in order to successfully complete this boot camp
- Know where to turn to get help and support at your moments of need

Ilkka Kuisma

Instructor

Background:

BSc in Mathematics, MSc in Computer Science

Various roles in software startups for 10+ years

Originally from Helsinki, Finland

Currently:

Senior full stack software developer at a Big Ten university

Fun fact:

I have a three-legged cat named Eileen (see if you can spot the pun!)



Mason Boomgaard

Teaching Assistant

Currently:

Started working as a full-stack web developer TA in March 2022

Front-end developer/game developer intern at Above & Beyond studios

Fun Fact:

Bought bitcoin at 17



Elijah Romer

Teaching Assistant

Background:

Graduate in November of 2021 from this boot camp
Currently living in Florida doing some freelance
web development

Currently:

What started as an opportunity for professional advancement in taking this program has evolved into a true love and excitement around the process of writing code and making useful applications and software.

Excited to be working as a TA as I know this curriculum quite well and feel I can really make a difference in helping students learn! In this industry, learning is always a constant and I'm excited to be on this journey with future bootcamp grads!

Fun Fact:

I am a USPA Certified C-Licensed Skydiver, having completed 283 parachute jumps in the US and abroad.



Garth Hammonds

Teaching Assistant

Background:

Completed the boot camp about a year ago

Currently:

Working in back-end as an Applications Programmer for a large finance company

Fun fact:

Big foodie, working on my 1970 Camaro, and playing games in my free time



Vincent Shury

Teaching Assistant

Background:

Attended a Trilogy boot camp at CWRU, completed in July of 2019

Currently:

4th boot camp cohort as a TA
Freelancing

Fun Fact:

My last freelancing contract ended last week. Since then I've had a backing vacation to Michigan's Upper Peninsula. I look forward to getting to know everyone.



Let's hear from you!

In 30 seconds or less, please share:

- Name
- Personal pronouns (optional)
- Background (career, education, or interest)
- Reason for joining the boot camp
- One fun fact about yourself

About the Boot Camp

Life in Boot Camp

Live Support

Structured classes, office hours, and study groups provide **additional support** throughout the week.

1:1 tutoring is available for additional support.

Weekly Homework

Each week, you will submit a homework assignment around the subject matter taught.

During the course, you will have **3 group projects** that integrate skills from the previous weeks, building a valuable work product to share with potential employers.

Holiday Adjustments

- **MLK Day:** No instruction this day.
- **President's Day:** No instruction this day.
- **Memorial Day:** No instruction this day.
- **Juneteenth:** No instruction this day.
- **Independence Day:** No instruction this day.
- **Labor Day:** No instruction this day.
- **Indigenous People's Day:** No instruction this day.
- **Veterans Day:** No instruction this day.
- **Thanksgiving Week:**
- **Winter Break:**

NOTE: All adjustments are reflected in your BootCampSpot calendar, please check there if these holidays happen during your class.

Course Requirements

Graduation Requirements

- Miss no more than 8 Virtual Classes
- Miss no more than 2 homework/challenge assignments
 - assignments graded 0 are a miss/incomplete
 - NO GPA
 - Common for students to go back after the course to improve their assignments
- Fully participate in all projects
- Fulfill tuition requirements

Drop Deadline

Wednesday, September 14th at 6:30pm

- Prior to deadline
 - Drop for a refund of all except non-refundable deposit
 - Transfer to the next class (Limit 1 transfer per student)
- After the deadline
 - Responsible for 100% tuition
 - No transfers or late drops
- To request to drop or transfer PRIOR TO THE DEADLINE
 - Email: sgulden@bootcampspot.com
 - CC: jpettis@bootcampspot.com
 - Provide a general reason for your request

Classroom Values

We Never Stop Improving

We lend an ear to both praise and feedback to deliver our best work.
This process is a journey and not a destination.

We Bring a Can-Do Attitude

We confront challenges with enthusiasm and figure things out. We value effort, commitment, learning, and a growth mindset.

We Only Succeed Together

Teamwork is critical to our success, and we place a tremendous value on how we work together across the entire cohort.

We Respect the Rights, Differences, and Dignity of Others

We want to create a learning space where people can bring their full selves. In order to do this we must all respect the diversity of our experiences and how it contributes to our learning.

What We Expect

- Be on time
- Be respectful
- Be honest
- Submit assignments and projects on time
- Respond to the weekly survey
- Stay focused and pay attention (class pace is VERY FAST)
- Spend AT LEAST 20 hours per week practicing outside of class
- Ask for help when you need it (attend office hours, reach out to instructor or peers, request a tutor, schedule a meeting with your SSM, live chat through BootCampSpot, form study group(s), etc.)

*You are responsible
for your success, but
you're not alone!*

Boot Camp Code of Conduct

- Adhere to the Michigan State University student code of conduct.
- Bullying of any kind is not acceptable classroom behavior. Bullying can include inappropriate remarks relating to anyone's ethnicity, religious background, sexual orientation, gender identity. It can also include making fun of, teasing, or harassing other members about their ideas, questions, or concerns.
- Conversations relating to any illegal activity, including illegal drugs or drug paraphernalia, are strictly prohibited.
- Sexual harassment, which includes remarks that can be perceived as provocative or sexual in nature, which includes comments towards individuals or one gender entirely.
- Class forums and platforms are intended for class-relevant content only.

System Check

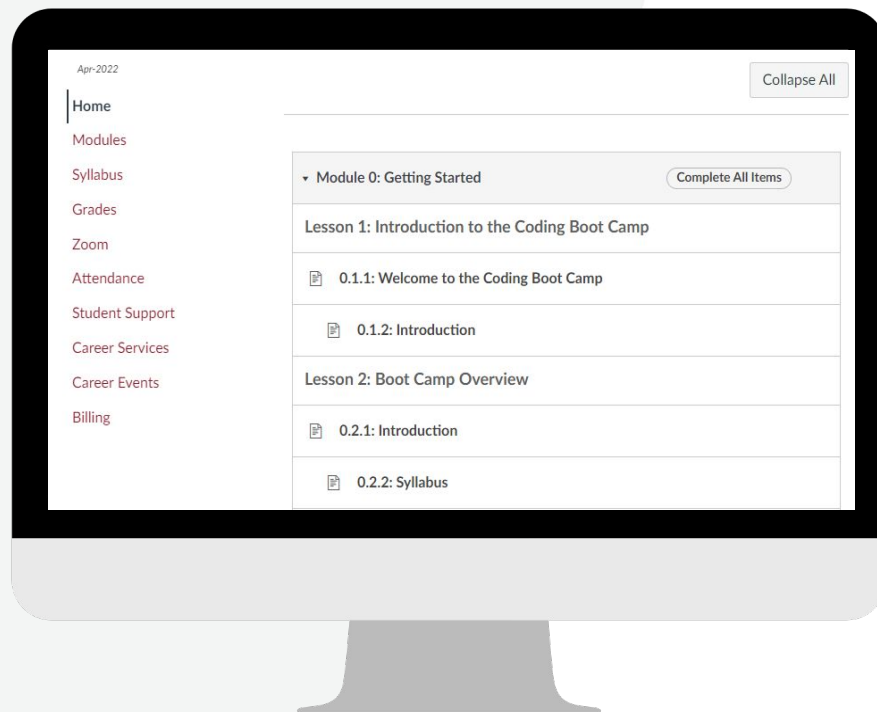
What Will I Use BootCampSpot for?

- View course content and in-class activities
- Submit Homework Assignments as files, text or GitHub links
- Connect and participate in your Virtual Classes with Zoom
- View your grades
- Find information on and connect with Career Services

My Course in BootCampSpot

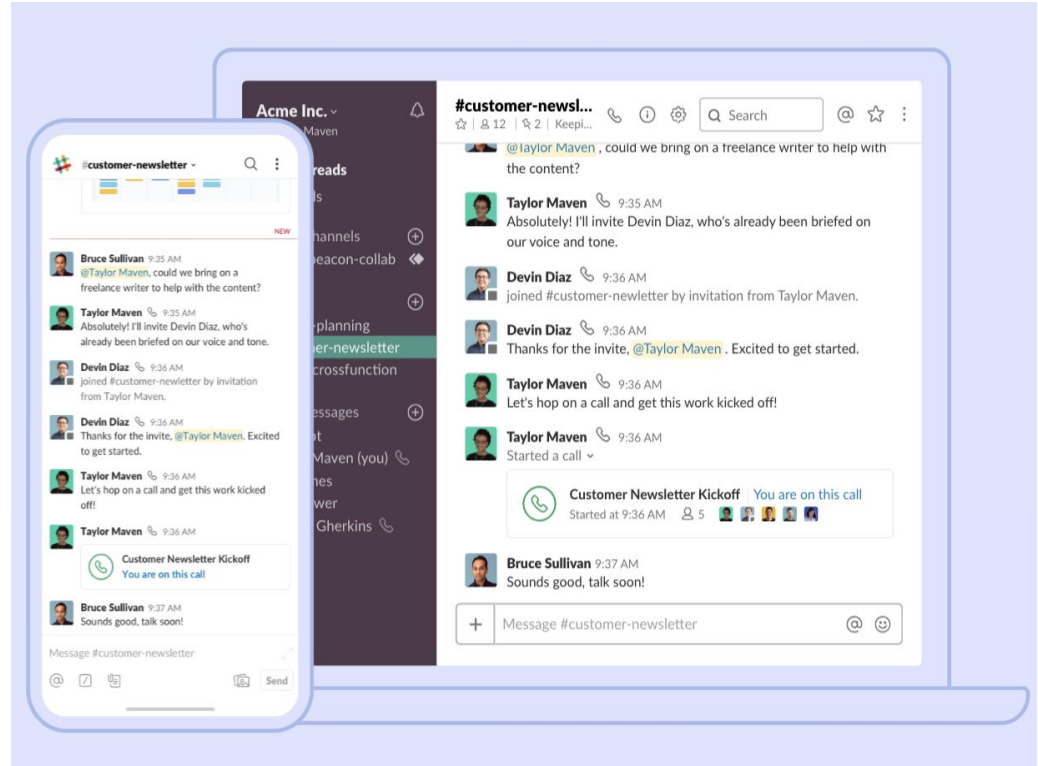
- From this page, you can access your online modules.
- On the left menu bar, you'll also have options to view assignments, grades, and access Zoom links for classes and office hours.

Your BootCampSpot homepage will look like:



Collaboration on Slack

- Slack is the shared virtual workspace where your class will interact during and outside of class hours.
- This class requires a lot of collaboration, so being able to share messages and files quickly is crucial for our success!
- After creating an account, be sure to download the desktop version for easier access and navigation.

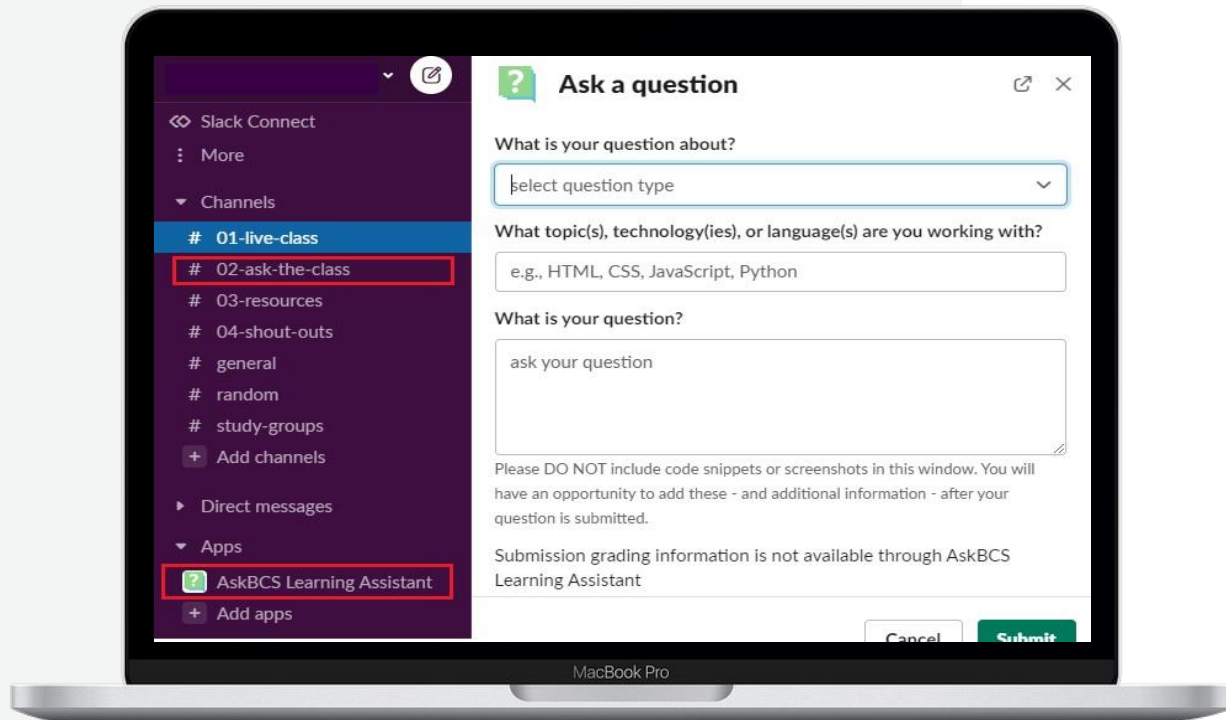


Ask BootCampSpot Learning Assistants

Our team of Learning Assistants work to help you get unstuck on self-paced lessons.

Available:

24 hours, 7 days a week



Git & GitHub/GitLab



- Create your own portfolio
- Store your homework here and submit a link to BootCampSpot
- Use it beyond the boot camp



- Access course materials
- View student policies
- Access for one year after boot camp

NOTE: Git, GitHub, and GitLab are common sticking points for new students. The first few TA Office Hours sessions will focus on setting these up properly.

Activity: Pulse Check

You should have access to the following systems. Follow the steps below to check, and type “ready” in the Group Chat if you’re good!

BootCampSpot

Navigate to
courses.bootcampspot.com/
and you should see the full
course

If you cannot sign in or do not
see your your full course,
email
support@bootcampspot.com

Slack

Navigate to the #general
channel to find your link to the
GitLab Class Repository

For access link, check email
from 1 day ago titled: “Get
Ready! Boot Camp Starts
Tomorrow”

GitLab

Click on the Repository link
provided in the #general
channel in Slack.

For access link, check email
from 7 or less days ago
inviting you to join GitLab

Suggest Time:
5 minutes



Resources

Tips for Success

- Use a calendar (digital or physical) to plan out your weeks
- Take advantage of Office Hours + Private Tutoring
- Form study groups
- Ask questions
- Stay engaged and reduce distractions
- Arrive on time or early for office hours
- Engage on Slack throughout class
- Set up a second monitor
- Please do not install updates during this class. Installs for class MUST be completed outside of class time
- Read instructions and use your glossary/cheat sheets

Central Grading

- Challenge Assignments are graded by the Central Grading team
 - Typically, assignments are graded before the due date of the next challenge assignment
 - If you have any questions about your homework assignment, contact and request support from your instructional team
 - Instructors and TAs can provide more in depth feedback if needed
 - Students may resubmit challenge assignments for a re-grade
 - Contact your SSM if you're still waiting for an assignment to be graded
- Projects are graded by the Instructional team
 - Grading will require additional time depending on class size



Central Tutoring.

How do I sign up for tutoring?

Request through BootCampSpot
in the Student Support tab

How does tutoring work?

- 1 session per week
- 1 on 1 meeting with the tutor
- Scheduled at your convenience

Communicating with Your Cohort

- Throughout the course, some of your projects and tools may require contact information for collaboration (eg., email, phone number)
- If you do not feel comfortable sharing this information, consider creating a new email address or alternatives like Google Voice: <https://voice.google.com/>

Career Services:
Check BCS for more information!

Employer-Ready vs. Employer-Competitive

Employer-Ready

An employer-ready candidate has created strong professional materials that meet the basic criteria for the typical job application process.

Employer-Competitive

Once created, these materials should be adapted to target specific career goals and opportunities, elevating them to employer-competitive.

Key Milestones

- Introduction to Career Services: Employer-Ready vs. Employer-Competitive
- Milestone: Pave Your Pathway
- Milestone: Develop Your Resume
- Milestone: Polish Your Online Presence
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- Milestone: Become Employer-Ready
- Milestone: Become Employer-Competitive

Submitting Milestones to Career Services



Milestone: Develop Your Resume

To meet this milestone, please complete the following: 1) Review details on what makes a competitive resume along with templates here: <https://mycshub.co/Data-Resume> 2) Develop your resume, and submit it as a Google Doc link with 'Anyone Can Edit' access. (Watch this short video on how to set edit permissions in your Google Doc: <http://bit.ly/2LgLAww>)

Description

For this submission, you will develop a competitive resume, and submit it to a Career Material Advisor for feedback.

Submit Milestone

Add URLs to Your Work

+ Add Another URL

Notes for Your Career Material Advisor

Submit

Career Services Benefits



Resources for Career Advancement. Career material libraries, with templates and tools tailored to your industry and level of experience, will help you prepare for career readiness.



Workshops and Engagement Events with 2U experts and industry professionals. Access to almost daily online events focused on interview prep, networking, and more to help you become competitive in the job market.



Direct line to job opportunities. Through our job board, you can apply to and get referred to a wide range of jobs at 2U's hiring partners. You also get access to quarterly career fairs and over 50 company recruitment webinars per year.

Any Questions?