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The Remote Codeup Student Experience

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Communities across Texas have now lived in a remote environment for weeks. While we hoped for good news early on, Governor Abbott's recent announcement to close schools for the remainder of the school year has confirmed that the new normal amid COVID-19 is remote. A lot of prospective students are left asking: **what now?** Our answer is simple: **little has changed!** While we are now conducting class digitally, the rest of the Codeup experience looks the same. Here's how!

Codeup differs from traditional degrees and online programs because we offer live, full-time, and immersive instruction. Even now, our classes are taught by a team of passionate instructors whose backgrounds range from 20+ years of industry experience to Master Degrees in Adult Education. Each class is led by 2-3 expert instructors and supported by a Teaching Assistant. They deliver live lectures, respond to you in real-time, provide 1:1 support, and individualize your learning to set you up for success. Comparing us to an online boot camp is like comparing a virtual reality experience to a regular TV show. We're still giving live instruction, we're just teaching from behind a laptop instead of a podium.

In addition to live instruction, our students enjoy live co-learning. You're not in this alone! In fact, our cohorts of 20-25 students provide a built-in structure of camaraderie, networking, and technical support. Some of the best learning you can do is by teaching to and learning from other students, a benefit that is lost in attending a part-time or self-paced program.

The combination of live instruction and peer-peer connectivity produces a third benefit: accountability. In this remote world where your couch is your desk, it can be challenging to stay focused and motivated. Our immersive program builds accountability through a daily course schedule, project-based learning, social support, and a helping hand. [Editor's note: if this weren't important and learning to code on your own were easy, I'd be writing Java right now instead of a blog post!]

Lastly, the reason Codeup offers a 100% tuition refund guarantee is that we teach directly to the needs of employer partners. Right now, more than ever before, employers need employees who are adaptable and able to work remotely! The digital Codeup experience prepares you to communicate, collaborate, and code remotely, a skill that was already

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developers have to earn the hard way.

Although we wish we were on campus high-fiving, writing code, and re-enacting Star Wars lightsabers battles, we've realized that's not really what the Codeup experience is about. The true Codeup experience is about learning to code from experienced professionals alongside passionate students in a live, hands-on environment that offers a 100% tuition refund guarantee. That's what you can always expect from Codeup, whether we're remote or not.

If you've been affected by COVID-19 in any way (layoffs, health, family, etc.), <u>check out our recently announced</u> <u>COVID-19 Relief Scholarship</u>.



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