

What is the NYC Web Development Fellowship?

This initiative was announced by Mayor Bloomberg in the State of the City address in February, 2013, and is designed to help New Yorkers with little to no web development experience start a career in coding paying \$65,000 a year.

The program runs for 22 weeks and Fellows will be required to be on campus Monday through Friday, 9:00AM-6:00PM for the duration of the program from October through February (dates are subject to change).

During the first 4 weeks, you will complete 150+ hours of prework assignments. Afterwards, you will be on campus for 18 weeks for lectures, lab exercises, group work, and an apprenticeship. A Fellow's commitment is critical during the program – there is much work to be done beyond those hours, including the weekends.

What will I be learning?

Fellows will learn the languages and tactics necessary to prepare them for jobs as Web Developers, including but not limited to HTML, CSS, Javascript, the programming language Ruby, databases, system operations, APIs, and more.

There are programming languages other than Ruby but the mechanics of coding are relevant to all modern programming languages. You will learn how to break down problems, express yourself, and work in teams. These skills will help prepare you for jobs creating web-based software applications that power internet services like Twitter, Tribeca Film Festival and The New York Times.

Am I guaranteed a job at the end of the program?

No. Although we will do our best to connect graduates with web development jobs paying at least \$65,000 a year, a job is not guaranteed. To help prepare you, the Fellowship includes an apprenticeship to provide real-world work experience with a potential employer. You will also receive in-depth training on technical interviewing skills and best practices in the workplace.

How much is the program?

The Fellowship is valued at \$12,000, but is now being offered at no cost to you. It is being offered by the Workforce Development Corporation, a not-for-profit affiliated with the [NYC Department of Small Business Services](#).

Do I need to bring my own computer?

No. You will be lent a Mac with minimum specifications for the duration of the Fellowship.

Who is selected for the course?

All applicants must meet the eligibility requirements below. Select eligible applicants will be invited to participate in two rounds of interviews, as well as given 10 hours of homework. Afterwards, 28 applicants will be selected for each cohort.

Eligibility Questions

Who is eligible to apply?

In order to be eligible, applicants must:

- Be at least 18 years of age
- Live in New York City
- Have never been employed (full-time or part-time) as a web developer
- Currently earn less than \$50,000 a year (or be unemployed)
- Meet all [federal selective service requirements](#), if applicable

I am turning 18 in a week. Am I eligible for the Fellowship?

If you are at least 18 years of age when the 22-week program begins, you are eligible.

I live in Westchester. Am I eligible for the Fellowship?

No. In order to be eligible, you must be a resident in one of New York City's five boroughs (i.e., Bronx, Brooklyn, Manhattan, Queens, and/or Staten Island).

What does it mean to have never been employed as a web developer?

The Fellowship is designed for those who have little to no experience as a web developer. If you have worked as a web developer and have been paid, you are not eligible for this Fellowship. If you are unsure whether something qualifies as web development experience, the determination can be made on a case-by-case basis.

What is selective service?

The current regulations are that all males born in 1960 and after are required to register with Selective Service. Please go to www.sss.gov to learn more.

Still have questions? Email nycworkforce1@flatironschool.com.