Stack Orientation

Rules

* **Be Present**
* **Be Humble**
* **Strength through Struggle**

Professionalism

* Do not use explicit language on/through any Coding Dojo resource

Zero Tolerance

* **Disrespect**
* **Negative Attitude**
* **Dishonesty**
  + **Cheating on Assignments** *(pair programming is encouraged, you should still be writing your own code, not copy/pasting your classmates work, this also helps you better retain the information)*
  + **Cheating on Exams** *(Upon review, may result to immediate expulsion)*

Stack Progression Requirements

**Attendance**

* Expected 100%
* **Required 80%**

You may be eligible for a maximum of 10% excused absence which do not count against your 80% attendance requirement. Excused absences are based on circumstances beyond your control, such as:

* An illness or death in the student’s immediate family.
* An illness or injury afflicting the student during the enrollment period.
* An unavoidable change in the student’s conditions of employment.
* An unavoidable geographical transfer (eg. moving).
* Unanticipated difficulties with childcare arrangements the student made for the period during which he or she is attending classes.
* Technological Difficulties

As needed please download the [Statement of Mitigating Circumstances - Excused Absence](https://s3.us-east-1.amazonaws.com/General_V88/boomyeah2015/codingdojo/curriculum/content/chapter/1623432675__Statement%20of%20Mitigating%20Circumstances%20-%20Excused%20Absence.pdf) form and fill out the first page. Then submit it to your instructor and student support (support@codingdojo.com) by emailing both of them. The form must be emailed to your instructor and you must CC student support (support@codingdojo.com) so we may formally review your request.

**Assignment Completion**

* Expected 100% Practice\* and 100% Core Assignments
* **Required 90% of Core Assignments** *(Must be valid\*\* submissions through the Learn Platform)*

*\*Practice assignments help you learn the skills and concepts you will need for the Core Assignments. We formally hold you responsible for only the Core Assignments to allow you breathing room during the program. However, it's expected that you will need to and will complete the Practice Assignments before you attempt the Core Assignments.*

*\*\*Valid submissions must be reasonable attempts at completing assignments. Students that are unable to complete an assignment should be in contact with their peers, TAs and Instructors to help them understand the concepts to be able to complete the assignments. Blank page submissions or entirely irrelevant content submissions are subject to our academic dishonesty rules.*

Graduation Requirements

**Attendance** *(All Programs)*

* Recommended 100%
* **Required 80%**

**Assignment Completion** (excludes optional assignments) *(All Programs)*

* Recommended 95% - 100%
* **Required 90% Core Assignment Completion Rate**

**Full-Time Programs**

* Required Web Fundamentals Belt
* Required Python Belt
* Required 1 additional Belt
* Completion in the non-belted stack (90% Assignment Completion)

**Part-Time Accelerated Programs**

* Required Web Fundamentals Belt
* Required Full Stack Belt (Python/Java/MERN), in the stack following Web Fundamentals
* Completion in all additional bundled stacks (90% Assignment Completion)
* Required Projects and Algorithms Completion

**Part-Time Flex Programs**

* Required Web Fundamentals Belt
* Required Python Belt
* Required Projects and Algorithms Completion

Exams

**Requirements to Unlock an Exam**

* 90% of Core Assignments

Students must complete 90% of all Core Assignments to be eligible to unlock and attempt the exam.

**Exam Grading**

* **Passing** - Score 8/10 or higher, the exams include the most critical fundamental concepts necessary for students to show proficiency in the stack. These challenges and features are imperative to be well understood.

For more details, see your catalog in the 'My Files' section of your Learn profile.

Academic Honesty

**Assignment Rules**

* Cannot be the majority of an existing application or repo made by anyone other than yourself
* Cannot be an exact replica of an instructor/TA demo
* Code you can reference or take snippets from:
  + Code you’ve created (or peer-programmed)
  + Code on the Learn Platform
  + Code created in class demos
  + Code present in official language documentation (or sites that write articles relating to documentation, like CSS Tricks)
  + Code present in help topics or Q&A sites (like StackOverflow)
  + \*Code found on *GitHub*(you can reference it but not use it wholesale and say it’s your own work)
* Collaboration with other students is allowed

**Exam Rules**

* Cannot be the majority of an existing application or repo made by anyone other than yourself
* Cannot be an exact replica of an instructor/TA demo
* Must be your own new application
* Majority of code must be your own
* Referencing documentation/help topics from the learning platform and relevant documentation is still okay
* Can reference help topics or Q&A sites (like Stack Overflow), past exams, past assignments.
* Cannot reference other’s Coding Dojo exams
* Cannot collaborate with others

Surveys  
**Purpose:** These surveys play an integral part in receiving feedback from you for the purposes of improving your experience. Whether it's by our TAs, Instructors, Curriculum Developers and Coding Dojo leadership, your feedback is reviewed daily by the respective staff and by leadership who are tasked to help ensure appropriate actions are taken.

**Frequency**:

* 1 Mid-Track Survey *(in each Stack, at the half way mark)*
* 1 Final-Track Survey *(in each Stack, at the end of your stack)*
* Student Satisfaction Survey*(2-3 times per week)*

**Monday Recap**:

* **Purpose**: Recap student feedback from the previous week, from the daily surveys, and mid-track survey if applicable.
* **Covers**:
  + Things we can and will change/adjust based on your feedback.
  + Things we won’t change and why.