

Greetings, Arbinauts!

My name is [Charles Freeborn](#) and am the founder of [web3 Warri](#) - a community of (and for) blockchain developers, smart contract developers, builders, technical writers, open-source contributors, and tech enthusiasts interested in building the next generation of the internet through collaborative learning, meetups, workshops, hackathons, and conferences.

Our community is committed to fostering the development and adoption of blockchain technology and the growth of the web3 ecosystem.

Description

We received grant approval for the Arbitrum Education, Community Growth and Events rounds on Questbook and so will be using this thread to share updates and reports here.

The web3 Warri community under my leadership will be hosting a series of Arbitrum events across three higher institutions within Delta State of Nigeria between February and March 2024.

Goals of the web3 Warri Arbitrum Universities IRL Events

In line with Arbitrum's "Initiatives for Institutional Community Growth," we are hosting a series of university and higher institution events with the following goals:

- 200 attendees per institution leading to a total of 600 attendees across the three different institutions
- Introducing the attendees, majorly of whom are students to blockchain technology and layer 2 with STRICT focus on Arbitrum
- Inspiring the students (and researchers) to take up researching Arbitrum by pointing them to the [Arbitrum Research Forum](#).
- Developing smart contracts on Arbitrum
- Growing the Arbitrum ecosystem through the introduction of programs like the Arbitrum ambassador program for university students

Milestone 1 - Pre-event Setup Report

Since approval, we have started the campaign - online and onsite - by doing the following:

1. [Official announcement via a blog post of the series of Arbitrum universities events](#) on the web3 Warri Medium publication page on January 18, 2024
2. Creation of the [first university event on the web3 Warri meetup](#) page and RSVP opened.
3. Commencement of the campaign on Social Media - X (formerly Twitter) and LinkedIn. The campaign will run throughout the three events.

Here are some campaign posts on X:

- a.) https://twitter.com/web3_warri/status/1748650990016864650
- b.) https://twitter.com/web3_warri/status/1747978724409069912
- c.) https://twitter.com/web3_warri/status/1747975284177973248
- d.) <https://twitter.com/charliecodes/status/1747974609826177136>

1. The onsite campaign at the university has begun and opening up off-line reservation to allow for those who are unable to RSVP on meetup to still attend.

See [this post here on X](#)

1. The numbers on the RSVPs have been overwhelming in less than a week of opening it up. On the [web3 Warri meetup page](#), for example, the online registration for the first university event is at 81 as at the time of this report, while off-site registration is already at 85. We are thus, opening slots for a waiting list, to allow those who are unable to RSVP to come in, should a free entry ticket holder cancel their reservations.

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What next?

Keep an eye on this thread as we will be using it to share updates and reports as we execute each milestone.