



So you are interested in being a participant in the Rural & Remote Program? Excellent! We put this document together to help you think through the program expectations so you can ensure it is a good fit for you. Our program is designed to provide residents of NWKS training and resources to assist in obtaining a remote job online.

## **What to Expect:**

### **Remote Work Professional Certification -**

- Minimum of 4 to 6 month time investment
  - 3 weeks application and orientation for course
  - 4 weeks Rural & Remote Skills Training course participation
  - 1 week Career Path Planning
  - 8-12 weeks pursuing remote jobs via Flexjobs.com
- 10-15 hours per week on course assignments, job search, continuing education, internship/apprenticeship applications
- Group coaching calls during and after completion of course
- Frequent communication with program coordinator

### **Coding Academy -**

## FAQ's

### **Am I a good candidate for this program?**

A successful remote worker is self-motivated, can work independently of a supervisor on site while still remaining productive, takes initiative to solve critical thinking issues, and remains trustworthy. Excellent communication skills are highly valued!

### **What types of remote jobs exist?**

There are a wide range of different types of remote jobs in every industry you can imagine. If you go to this link: <https://www.flexjobs.com/jobs> you can see a number of examples of remote jobs that exist.

### **Do I need any specific tools to participate in the program?**

All you need to successfully participate in the Rural & Remote Program are a few primary things: a reliable computer with attached camera, dependable internet, a smart phone, and most importantly - a strong desire and willingness to put in the necessary individual effort to fully commit to the program.

### **How long does it take to secure a remote job?**

The answer to this question is different for every individual. There are a lot of variables that impact each job applicants journey such as amount of time and effort invested in applying for jobs, how well the applicant's experience and skills relate to the jobs they are applying for, the number of people applying for the position, what the applicant does to differentiate themselves in the application and interview process, etc...

### **Does Rural & Remote have jobs?**

No, we do not. Our program provides educational resources, training, internships and apprenticeships, and one-to-one support in your personal pursuit of a remote job. We are not an employer.

### **What is the cost of the Rural & Remote Program?**

If you are a resident of the 26 counties that the Hansen Foundation serves ([qualified counties map](#)) then the cost (\$250) has been covered for you. Though there is not a financial cost to you, there is a cost of time and commitment to the program. This is not a program to take lightly, or to just dabble with because it doesn't cost you any money. If you are not fully committed to at least a 6 month process, you are not a good fit for the Rural & Remote Program.

### **Do I need to have worked remotely to go through the Rural & Remote Program?**

No, you do not. Our program is intended to help people with no remote work experience to gain the necessary skills and experience necessary to be able to pursue remote work. Keep in mind, that like most things in life, patience, perseverance, and diligence will be required along this journey.

### **Is the Rural & Remote Program for people looking for part-time or full-time work?**

We can help support both types of people, but we are primarily focused on people looking for full-time work. There are a lot of part-time opportunities for remote work, and someone interested in part-time work should expect the same time and energy investment as someone looking for full-time work.