

Telerik Academy Alpha

FAQ

What is new and different about Telerik Academy Alpha?

With [Telerik Academy Alpha](http://telerikacademy.com/alpha), we turn traditional education upside down. We are introducing a new training method to help you get ready for a career start in the software industry faster, better and more efficiently. By leveraging innovative teaching techniques and methodologies, we shorten the time to cover our standard program from 12 to 6 months.

The new program brings a personal training approach to everyone. It aims to foster teamwork and most importantly, to help you gain invaluable practical experience. Our trainers will serve as your personal mentors and coaches, helping you build upon your strengths.

Who can apply and how?

If you're looking for a job but have little or no programming knowledge, are a tech student or alumnus, a junior developer or an expert in another field who has fundamental programming skills and zero work experience, you can now use the next 3 months get ready for the application process to Telerik Academy Alpha in October. You also need to be 18 years of age or older. Due to the format of the program, it will be very difficult to impossible for you to maintain a full-time job while attending Telerik Academy.

Application for the next admission to Telerik Academy Alpha starts in October 2017. If you have little to no programming experience, you can leverage the next few months and the information on <http://telerikacademy.com/alpha> to get yourself ready for the entrance exam. Already have what it takes? Test your skills on <http://telerikacademy.com/alpha>. As a next step, you must take an exam in C# fundamentals or JavaScript fundamentals in October at our training center in Sofia. If you successfully pass the exam, you will be invited to an interview at Telerik Academy. Interviews will focus on your motivation to join the program.

The program will kick off in November.

How can I prepare for the entrance exam?

You can prepare for the exam using our online resources on C# Fundamentals or JavaScript Fundamentals. Materials include video lessons, presentations and assignments. More information is available on <http://telerikacademy.com/alpha>.

I have successfully passed my C# Fundamentals / JavaScript Fundamentals course, do I need to take the entrance exam as well?

Yes, all candidates must pass the exam in order to apply for the program.

How much does the training cost?

Like all other current Telerik Academy programs, the Telerik Academy Alpha tuition will be free for the students.

What will I learn?

You can now decide if you want to become a full-stack .NET or JavaScript developer by choosing between these two tracks.

.NET Track

We'll walk you through courses in advanced C#, object-oriented programming, ASP.NET MVC, unit testing QPC, design patterns, data structures and algorithms, databases, JavaScript fundamentals, HTML, CSS and DOM fundamentals. Find a detailed curriculum [here](#).

JavaScript Track

Our program will introduce you to JavaScript (JS) modules, front-end development, jQuery, AJAX, HTTP, as well as Angular and Node.js, HTML, CSS and more. You can find a detailed curriculum [here](#).

After successful completion of the 6-month program, you will be armed with the competitive knowledge and practical skills to launch a career in the software industry.

When and where will trainings take place?

The program will be held onsite at Telerik Academy on 31 Alexander Malinov Blvd. in Sofia. Trainings start in November and are expected to end in April 2018. Lectures will be held daily Monday to Friday, for 4 hours each day.

Can I choose between online and onsite training?

Training will be only onsite. Attendance in person is key to our students' successful graduation, which is why onsite participation is required. Participants must attend all classes, since they won't be available online.

Can I work while attending the program?

Due to the format of the program, maintaining a full-time job while attending Telerik Academy will be very difficult to impossible.

Do I have to sign a contract to join the program?

Yes, all admitted students will sign a contract with Telerik Academy as part of their participation in the program.

Are we going to have homework assignments?

Unlike the standard Telerik Software Academy, the Telerik Academy Alpha program won't include homework assignments. Your trainers will provide additional learning materials and every student shall decide how and to what extent to use them.

Do all students graduate?

Similar to the other Telerik Academy programs, only the best performing students who successfully pass all requirements and assignments will graduate.

Will I receive a certificate at the end of the program?

Graduates will receive a certificate, which is widely recognized in the IT industry in Bulgaria.

Will I land a career in the software industry upon graduation?

All graduates will have access to the Telerik Academy partner network, which will help them jumpstart their career in a software company upon graduation.