Eligibility Criteria

What are the minimum eligibility requirements for applicants?

These requirements must be satisfied at the time of submitting the WDF Online Application

● New York City resident: You live in one (1) of the five (5) boroughs (Bronx, Brooklyn, Manhattan, Queens, Staten Island).

● You're authorized to work in the United States.

● You have limited or no prior experience in web development, defined as no prior employment, whether part-time or full-time, as a web developer or in a similar role (as determined on a case-by-case basis).

● If you're currently employed, you have an annual income of $50,000 or less.

● If you identify as male and if you are between the ages of 18 and 25, you must be compliant with all applicable federal selective service requirements.

● You must have access to housing and standard living expenses.

● You must be able to attend at least 90% of the program sessions.

● You must be at least 18 years of age at the time of enrollment.

How do I know if I am authorized to work in the United States?

● Commonly, someone who is authorized to work in the US is either a US Citizen or Green Card holder. For a complete list of documents that can be used to verify your work authorization status, please reference pages 52–53 of this Handbook.

What previous work experience would make me ineligible for WDF?

● In general, any paid work experience in one of the following areas would deem you ineligible for this fellowship:
○ Computer programming
○ Software developing
○ Software engineering
○ Web developing

● We will examine this requirement on a case-by-case basis and will use our best judgment to make a determination of eligibility.

What if I have a Computer Science or a related degree (BA, BS, MS, PhD)?

● Having a CS degree does not automatically disqualify you from consideration. However, we would like to learn more about your background, including your current and past employment status and the narrative/reasoning behind why the CS degree/program was not sufficient for you to begin the search for employment in the field.

What if I have previously attended another coding bootcamp?

● Having previously attended a coding bootcamp does not automatically disqualify you from consideration. However, we would like to learn more about your background, including your current and past employment status and the narrative/reasoning behind why the bootcamp program was not sufficient for you to begin the search for employment in the field.

Timeline

Phase	Dates	Location / Duration	Additional Information
Application Deadline	07/31/20	30–60 minutes	Submit the Application by **07/13/20** to qualify for BCP-V Bypass Interview.
Online HackerRank Assessment Deadline	08/05/20	75 minutes	Complete Assessment by **07/13/20** to qualify for BCP-V Bypass Interview.
BCP-V Bypass Interviews	07/13/20–07/20/20	**Remote** 60 minutes	Depending on your performance in this interview, you will either be invited to enroll in BCP-V or directly into Foundations.
Course Kick-Off Event	08/13/20	**Remote** 1 night 6:30pm–7:30pm	An online Kick-Off of the Fellowship program.
Bootcamp Prep - Vestibule (BCP-V) Each cohort only has one (1) BCP-V	08/17/20—09/11/20	**Remote** Every Weekday: 6:30pm–9:40pm	Introduction to programming basics. Meant for beginner applicants. An assessment at the end of BCP-V will determine which students may continue into Foundations. Applicants who can demonstrate intermediate knowledge of programming in the admissions process will pass out of this phase and directly be admitted into Foundations. **Not all students accepted into Bootcamp Prep - Vestibule will be offered a spot in Foundations.**
Technical Interviews	09/14/20—09/17/20	**Remote** 30 minutes	Performance on midterm and final exams and throughout the BCP-V course determines whether or not students are invited to interview for continued enrollment in the remainder of the program.
Foundations Phase	10/02/20—10/30/20	**Remote** 4 Weeks M–F: 10am–6pm	In-depth JavaScript course. Foundations is a self-paced course. An assessment at the end of Foundations must be cleared to continue onto the immersive course.
Immersive Phase	11/09/20—02/25/21	**Remote** 13 Weeks M–F: 10am–6pm	Junior Phase (6 weeks) Review Week (1 week) Senior Phase (6 weeks)

Flight Program	March 2021—June 2021	**Remote** 4 Months Twice Weekly (specific times will be shared during the Immersive Phase)	These sessions are **mandatory** and will be conducted with the intention to continue building graduates' résumés as they apply and interview for jobs. Graduates will practice technical interviews, behavioral interviews, technical blog writing, and networking. They'll also have the opportunity to work on projects and hackathons.
No Class	09/07 (Labor Day) 11/02–11/06 (Async Week) 11/26–11/27 (Thanksgiving) 12/28–1/1 (Holiday Break) 1/18 (MLK, Jr. Day)		Campus will be closed during these dates.

Admissions Process

What is the application procedure for admittance to WDF?

1. **Online Application**

2. **Online Assessment**
   a. This assessment is 75 minutes long and gauges your knowledge of programming fundamentals. Although you aren't expected to ace this assessment, due to the competitive nature of the WDF admissions process, take time to prepare so you can perform your best.

3. **Decision by Fullstack Academy and the NYC Tech Talent Pipeline (NYC TTP)**
   a. Invitation to enroll in the Bootcamp Prep - Vestibule (BCP-V)
      ■ You must complete this course, and based on your performance, attendance, and conduct in the course, you'll be invited to a technical interview.
      ■ Not all students accepted into BCP-V will be offered a spot in Foundations.
   b. Invitation to BCP-V bypass interview
      ■ Depending on your performance in this interview, you will either be invited to enroll in BCP-V or directly into Foundations.
   c. Rejection
      ■ We regret that we are unable to offer this opportunity to every applicant, but we aim to provide all applicants with guidance on their coding journey with alternative financing options and training resources.

4. **Acceptance Call and Enrollment**
   a. If you **are** invited to enroll into any phase of the Fellowship, you'll be asked to provide eligibility documentation to verify that you meet the requirements before scheduling a call with a staff member to confirm your intent to enroll.

Transferring Courses or Cohorts

Can I defer enrollment into a later WDF cohort?

- You may **not** defer enrollment into a later WDF cohort.
- However, you may consider our **non-WDF programs**: Grace Hopper Immersive, Flex Immersive, and Software Engineering Immersive.

Housing and Financing Options

Is housing included?

- While we **don't provide student housing,** there are several options for you to consider in NYC**:**

    1. **Common**
        a. Common offers flexible, community-driven housing by providing fully furnished, month-to-month memberships. They are also offering $200 off first month of membership to our students.

    2. **Short-Term Apartment Sublet**
        a. This option involves finding a ~3 month sublet of an apartment in NYC.
        b. It's possible to find hidden gems that are less expensive than other options. A good place to start is **Craigslist**, though the **Gypsy-Housing** group on Facebook and **Airbnb** are also frequently used options.

    3. **Tribe**
        a. Tribe is a startup offering short-term, shared housing to those in the startup and tech scenes. It's only based in NYC and is less expensive than some other options.

- If any of these look like good options**, let us know during the application process.** Since we work with **Tribe** and **Common,** we can help accepted students with the application process for these housing communities.