



Nevada STEM Advisory Council List of Recommended STEM Programs February 2023

TECH IMPACT PunchCode

PROGRAM OVERVIEW

Tech Impact's mission leverages technology for social impact: our workforce development programs foster individual growth, economic mobility, and a more diverse talent pool. Our programs are focused on technical and professional soft skills development and credential attainment, combined with supportive services including job placement assistance.

PunchCode is our 14-week Software Developer coding bootcamp that prepares individuals for Software Developer jobs, with starting salaries averaging \$52,000 plus benefits. PunchCode training includes 30+ hours of soft-skills training, a mentor, job search preparation (digital portfolio, resume, cover letter, references, LinkedIn account), job placement assistance, exposure to dozens of potential employers, and post-graduation support.

Tech Impact's PunchCode program trains to in-demand skillsets towards careers with substantial wages. PunchCode utilizes a project- and team-based learning model. Students learn front-end and back-end technologies which build their foundational skills and make them employable, trainable, and retainable.

TARGET GRADES

PunchCode serves individuals 18 years of age and older who have their high school diploma or GED. While a high school diploma or equivalency is required for admission, students do not need to have formal experience or training in software development prior to entering the course. Most students have informally engaged with coding via online tools but are ready to enter formal training to embark on a career path in software development.

A UNIQUE OR SPECIAL FOCUS OF THE PROGRAM

PunchCode provides career-focused curriculum, in-person instruction, professional development, networking with employers, and internships; training to the skills for a career as a junior full-stack software developer.

THE PROGRAM'S IMPACT ON STUDENTS

Students will gain new skill sets from mentorship and professional skills trainings provided by corporate volunteers and will secure program-related employment that will provide them with a sustainable wage and career pathway.

SPECIFIC SKILLS STUDENTS WILL LEARN

PunchCode's proven curriculum includes Java/C#, relational databases, client-server programming, and web application development, assessment tool, and learning management system (LMS) of Tech Elevator (<https://www.techelevator.com/our-mission-culture-team>), a nationally recognized coding bootcamp.

The curriculum, developed in 2015, has resulted in 90% job placement rates for graduates (results are audited by third parties and transparently reported by the Council on Integrity Results in Reporting).

WEBSITE

<https://techimpact.org/>

<https://punchcode.org/apply/>

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