Pluralsight One & Code.org Partnership

Code.org is dedicated to expanding access to computer science in schools and increasing participation by women and underrepresented minorities. Their vision is that every student in every school has the opportunity to learn computer science. Together, through our partnership, we are focusing on deeping opportunities for girls and students of color to access computer science education and continue their technology skills development beyond the classroom. The partnership includes a deep, multi-year financial contribution focused on increasing computer science participation among girls and students of color, ongoing collaboration around the Pluralsight One product, state and national advocacy, and efforts to engage the Pluralsight community in support of Code.org's goals through skills-based volunteerism.

Partnership Overview

Product offering:

AP computer science students can build on the skills learned in Code.org's AP Computer Science Principles with free access to courses to advance their future through technology. Pluralsight has created a curated course offering for AP computer science students that maps to Code.org curriculum and national standards. With access provided by computer science teachers through Code.org's Code Studio, students can move deeper into intermediate and advanced topics with technology skill development resources from the largest network of expert technologists in the world. Curated by expert technologists, the library features over 150 courses totaling over 500 hours of content across four major areas: IT/OPs, software development, design/creative, and product management.

Pluralsight is the technology learning platform. It enables teams to keep up with the pace of change, align learning to key objectives and close skills gaps in critical areas like cloud, mobile, security, and data. Our 6,700+ video courses are created by our expert author network. Our authors are expert practitioners. In some cases, they are the inventors of the latest technology innovations.

Advocacy & Volunteerism:

Pluralsight One and Code.org collaborate on advocacy efforts in Utah and nationally to expand access to computer science education for all students. Building on those efforts, Pluralsight One and Code.org will deepen their work with regional partners to implement programming and resources in response to identified priorities, gaps and needs. Through the partnership, Pluralsight will also mobilize Pluralsight employees to volunteer for Hour of Code and other targeted skills-based volunteer initiatives.

Key Platform Features:

Learning paths: Build proficiency by knowing which courses to watch in which order, with coursework curated by experts.

Skill assessments: Measure skill level with confidence in as little as 20 questions and five minutes.

Channels: Combine sections of different courses or paths to create a custom learning plan aligned to goals or to share with others.

Course discussions: Engage with peers and the expert author in a community dedicated to each course.

Course learning checks: Use short, self-paced quizzes to test retention of course material.

Exercise files: Get helpful resources like course slides, instructor notes, source codes, and more.

Bookmarks: Recall key concepts with notes and bookmarks.

Transcripts: Find answers fast with searchable transcripts.

Mobile and offline viewing: Learn anytime, anywhere with mobile and desktop apps that allow for offline viewing.

Course completion certificates: Get verification that a course has fully been completed.

Role IQ: Quantifying technology proficiency for a specific role.

Grant:

To further the shared goal of increasing access to and the inclusivity of computer science education, Pluralsight One Fund is providing a $1.5 million grant to Code.org over three years. The gift will help enable Code.org to grow their resources for teachers and students, continue to develop curricula across K-12, expand their efforts to retrain America's K-12 teachers to teach computer science, scale impact through their network of regional partners, and debunk misconceptions about computer science through their annual Hour of Code campaign. Looking beyond, Pluralsight One Fund will support Code.org's international expansion to translate and localize the entire Code.org learning platform, curriculum, videos, and tools into 20+ languages; develop and support offline and smartphone access for schools without internet connected computers; and expand their network of global partners to drive teacher training and implementation in local schools.

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