# Where to Learn Python from Scratch: Collection of Courses

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Nearly 40 of the Best Python Courses: Online, Offline, in English and Russian

The online education market offers numerous Python courses. Everyone can find a course that helps achieve the desired goal: take the first steps in programming, prepare for exams, explore a different profession, change careers, improve professional skills, or gain experience. You can learn independently or in a group, with the help of a mentor, or through interactive online platforms, either by paying or for free, with or without a certificate.

In this article, we've compiled an extensive list of 39 courses offering Python programming training. These courses are designed for various purposes—from teaching language basics and syntax, providing coding practice, to working with databases, libraries, frameworks, and developing your web applications. We've grouped the courses into categories: paid, free, and by duration of study.

Note: This compilation has not included educational programs focused on analytics and data science.

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# **How Python Courses Differ and How to Evaluate Them**

**Duration and Format**: In addition to course length and recommended study time, programs differ in their learning formats. These may include cohort-based learning, blended learning, or fully self-paced study. Cohort-based learning tends to be more structured and intensive, with participants supporting each other in a group. Self-paced formats offer more flexibility, allowing students to start at any time, but also place greater responsibility on the learner.

**Development Environment**: Some programs provide interactive coding platforms for hands-on practice, while others require students to work directly in Integrated Development Environments (IDEs).

**Certification**: If a school issues a certificate or diploma, it does so under an educational license from the Russian Federation. For Russian tax residents, this may offer the additional benefit of a tax deduction for education costs. Some schools issue certificates without licenses. While these certificates can still be added to resumes or portfolios as proof of training, they do not qualify for tax deductions.

**Portfolio**: Most Python development courses offer the opportunity to build a portfolio during the training. These may include mini-projects or larger works that undergo code reviews, allowing you to showcase your skills to potential employers. Some courses feature one large project, while others focus on smaller projects that target specific skills and topics.

**Price**: Many training programs offer monthly payment plans, often with installment options through partner banks. Training costs vary depending on the school's marketing promotions and the specific service package chosen.

**Trial Access**: Some educational platforms offer demo versions of their courses, allowing potential students to evaluate the clarity of the material, the functionality of the coding platform, and the speed of feedback.

**Access to Course Materials**: Not all schools and educational platforms provide lifetime access to course materials. Some limit access to the duration of the course, while others may charge additional fees for extended access.

#### **Skill Map**

To keep the material concise and avoid overloading each course description, we've compiled and categorized the skills taught by various online schools. In the course descriptions, we will refer to the following categories by their names:

- **Python Fundamentals**: Syntax, loops, variables, standard library, program structure, data types, file handling.
- **Tools**: Version control systems, IDEs.
- Computer Science: Data structures, algorithms, Object-Oriented Programming (OOP).
- Backend Development: Django framework, JSON and XML formats, AJAX, network protocols, API integration, database management, REST API.
- Frontend Development: JavaScript basics, HTML, CSS, Flexbox, responsive design, web page layout.
- Additional Libraries and Frameworks: React, Redux, Vue, Angular.
- Introduction to DevOps: Linux basics, Linux command line, Docker, CI/CD pipelines, software development lifecycle.
- **Testing**: Automated and manual testing, testing libraries.
- Full-stack Development: Comprehensive skill sets covering both frontend and backend development.

# Paid Courses Lasting 6 to 14 Months

Comprehensive training is a type of education in which, within one year, a student acquires a new profession and not only improves their knowledge and practice but also learns how to work in a team, attend interviews, and respond to questions from HR and the hiring team. Typically, the more expensive version of courses includes career support, portfolio assistance, resume review, and job search assistance.

# Skillfactory: Full-stack Python Developer

This course is designed to help beginners break into the IT field from scratch, covering not only standard topics like syntax and frameworks but also practical skills essential for real-world development, such as the software lifecycle,

deployment, containers, and testing.

**Target Audience** (a): Programming beginners and developers from other languages.

**Learning Methods** : Interactive exercises, tests, video lessons, online meetups, hackathons, and end-to-end projects.

**Curriculum** : Python Fundamentals. Development Tools. Computer Science. Backend Development. Frontend Development. Additional Libraries and Frameworks. Introduction to DevOps. Testing. Full-stack Development

**Duration** 17: 14 months

Study Time \( \times \): 10 hours per week

Cost :: Monthly payments starting at 4.167 RUB; total cost: 137.500 RUB

Format : Cohort-based

Portfolio Projects 2:7

**Certification >** : Certificate of Advanced Training or Professional Retraining Diploma

### Course Features 6:

- Mentor feedback
- Lifetime access to course materials
- Career counseling
- Internship opportunities
- No trial access

Learn More <a href="https://skillfactory.ru/python-fullstack-web-developer">https://skillfactory.ru/python-fullstack-web-developer</a>

Logomashina: Full-stack Python Developer

This course is an excellent choice for beginners, even those with a non-technical background. It features interactive exercises with instant feedback on homework, and opportunities to discuss key points with an instructor.

Target Audience 2 : Non-programmers

**Learning Methods** : Interactive exercises, tests, homework assignments, projects, hackathons

**Curriculum** : Python Fundamentals. Development Tools. Computer Science. Backend Development. Frontend Development. Additional Libraries and Frameworks. Introduction to DevOps. Testing. Full-stack Development

**Duration** 17: 14 months

Study Time \( \times \): 10 hours per week

Cost :: Monthly payments from 2,916 RUB; total cost: 97,628 RUB

Format .: Cohort-based

Portfolio Projects 2:6

**Certification** 3: Certificate of Advanced Training or Professional Retraining Diploma

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#### Course Features 6:

- Mentor feedback
- Career counseling
- Internship opportunities
- Limited access to course materials
- No trial access

Learn More <a href="https://study.logomachine.ru/python-fullstack-web-developer">https://study.logomachine.ru/python-fullstack-web-developer</a>

**Otus: Python Developer** 

Unlike the courses mentioned above, this one covers not only the Django framework but also Flask, a lightweight and easy-to-learn Python framework.

Who it's for @: Beginners and junior Python developers

**Learning Format** : Trainers, tests, homework assignments, projects, hackathons

First Stage Curriculum : Python programming fundamentals. Tools. Computer science. Backend development (+ Flask). Introduction to DevOps. Python for data science

**Second Stage Curriculum \endownaller\***: Advanced Python. Development practices. Functional and procedural programming. Virtual machine. Software quality. Task automation. Web project scaling. Libraries and tools for data analysis. Introduction to Go language

**Duration** 17: 10 months

**Study Time \( \subseteq \)**: 4+ hours per week

**Cost =**: Installments from 17,400 RUB per month; total cost for both stages: 174,000 RUB

Format .: Cohort-based

Number of Portfolio Projects 2:2

**Certification >** : Certificate of Advanced Training or Professional Retraining Diploma

# Course Features 6:

- Mentor feedback
- Lifetime access
- Career counseling
- No internship
- No trial access

Learn More: https://otus.ru/lessons/python-specialization

**Hexlet: Python Developer** 

As a popular online school among programmers, Hexlet focuses primarily on web

development and building a dev community. It also offers many additional projects, such as a list of city-based IT communities or open-source projects.

Who it's for <a>©</a>: Programming Beginners

**Learning Format** :: Video lessons and coding projects, text-based theory, mentorship, webinars, live coding. There are no deadlines, but access to materials after the course ends requires a monthly payment.

**Curriculum** : Python fundamentals. Tools. Computer science. Backend development. Frontend development. Additional libraries and frameworks. Introduction to DevOps. Testing. Full-stack development. Working with others' code and open-source projects

**Duration** 17: 10 months

Study Time 🔀: 15+ hours per week

Cost :: Installments start from 6,300 RUB per month; total cost: 134,100 RUB

Format <u>\_\_</u>: Cohort-based

Number of Portfolio Projects 2 : 4

**Certification >** : Certificate of completion from Hexlet

#### Course Features 6:

- Mentor feedback
- Career counseling
- Internship opportunities
- Trial access
- Limited access to course materials

Learn More: <a href="https://ru.hexlet.io/programs/python">https://ru.hexlet.io/programs/python</a>

**Computer Academy Top: Python Online Courses** 

One of the most affordable comprehensive Python courses. A key advantage is the international certificates, which can assist in finding jobs abroad (though this can be challenging for juniors).

Who it's for (2): High school students and graduates aged 15 to 18, university students, programming beginners, or those looking to switch programming languages

**Learning Format** : In-person and online formats, with only live video lessons (no pre-recorded sessions), groups of up to 25 people

**Curriculum** : Python fundamentals. Tools. Computer science. Backend development. Frontend development. Additional libraries and frameworks. Full-stack development

**Duration** 17: 12 months

Study Time 🔀: 4+ hours per week

Cost :: Installments starting from 2,380 RUB per month; total cost: 72,830 RUB

Format <u>\_\_</u>: Cohort-based

Number of Portfolio Projects 2:7

**Certification >** : International diploma from Computer Academy Top and international certificates from partner companies

# Key Features of the Python Development Course 💪:

- Mentor feedback
- Limited access to the course
- No trial access
- No career counseling
- No internship opportunities

Learn More: <a href="https://online.top-academy.ru/python\_course">https://online.top-academy.ru/python\_course</a>

**Eduson Academy: Python Developer** 

Another highly affordable comprehensive course (excluding discounts). The creators promise up to seven portfolio projects and regular video code reviews by instructors.

Who it's for @: Programming beginners familiar with basic school-level math

**Learning Format** :: Projects with different levels of complexity for portfolio building, video lessons, practical assignments, code reviews, interactive workbooks, trainers, video code analysis

**Curriculum** : Python fundamentals. Tools. Computer science. Backend development. Frontend development. Additional libraries and frameworks. Full-stack development. Remote work skills

**Duration** 17: 9 months

**Study Time**  $\overline{\mathbf{Z}}$ : 3-5 hours per week

Cost :: Installments start from 6,166 RUB per month; total cost: 64,750 RUB

Format .: Cohort-based

Number of Portfolio Projects **b**: 5-7

**Certification >** : Certificate of Advanced Training or Professional Retraining Diploma

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#### Course Features 💪:

- Mentor feedback
- Lifetime access
- Career counseling
- Internship opportunities
- No trial access

Learn More: <a href="https://eduson.academy/python-new">https://eduson.academy/python-new</a>

#### **Skypro: Python Developer**

A course from the Skyeng online school creators. The program is fairly common: an online platform with a trainer, webinars, and instructor feedback.

**Learning Format** :: 40-minute video lectures, practical assignments, trainer, instructor support, webinars

**Curriculum \endowname**: Python fundamentals. Tools. Computer science. Backend development. Frontend development. Additional libraries and frameworks. Full-stack development

**Duration** 77: 9 months

Study Time 🔀: 10 hours per week

Cost :: Installments start from 4,074 RUB per month; total cost: 103,461 RUB

Number of Portfolio Projects 2:7

**Certification >** : Certificate of Advanced Training or Professional Retraining Diploma

#### Course Features 6:

- Mentor feedback
- Lifetime access
- Career counseling
- Internship opportunities
- No trial access

**Learn More**: <a href="https://sky.pro/courses/programming/python-web-course">https://sky.pro/courses/programming/python-web-course</a>

#### **Yandex Practicum: Python Developer**

A unique feature of Yandex Practicum courses is the selection process during payment and a "dropout" system if a certain amount of assignments is not completed.

Who it's for @: Those starting in programming

**Learning Format** :: Theory and practice through an interactive trainer, webinars, lectures, and portfolio projects

**Curriculum >**: Python fundamentals. Tools. Computer science. Backend development. Additional libraries and frameworks. Introduction to DevOps

For more detailed information, check out <u>our article</u> comparing this course with the one from Skillbox.

**Duration** 77: 9 months

Study Time \( \times \): 15 hours per week

**Cost** :: Installments starting from 7,129 RUB per month; total cost: 138,600 RUB

Number of Portfolio Projects 2:7

**Certification >** : Professional Retraining Diploma from Yandex Practicum or a course completion certificate

#### Course Features 6:

- Mentor feedback
- Career counseling
- Internship opportunities
- Trial access
- Limited access to course materials

Learn More: <a href="https://practicum.yandex.ru/backend-developer/">https://practicum.yandex.ru/backend-developer/</a>

#### Yandex Practicum: Python Developer Plus

An extended course by Yandex Practicum, which helps to reach a junior+ level, making you a confident developer right after completing the program.

Who it's for @: For a confident start in programming

**Learning Format** :: Theory and practice through an interactive trainer, webinars, lectures, and portfolio projects

#### Curriculum 📚:

Programming language fundamentals. Tools. Computer science. Backend and Frontend development. Libraries and frameworks. Introduction to DevOps. Data parsing. Flask framework. Python and Google services

**Duration** 17: 14 months

Study Time 🔀: 15-20 hours per week

**Cost =**: Installments starting from 11,090 RUB per month; total cost: 215,600 RUB

Format .: Cohort-based

Number of Portfolio Projects 2 : 12

**Certification >** : Professional Retraining Diploma from Yandex Practicum or a course completion certificate

#### Key Features of the Python Developer Plus Course 💪:

- Mentor feedback
- Career counseling
- Internship opportunities
- Trial access
- Limited access to course materials

Learn More: https://practicum.yandex.ru/python-developer-plus/

#### Yandex Practicum: Python Developer, Middle Level

One of the few courses designed for advanced Python developers. It is positioned as a program to help in the transition from a junior to a middle-level developer (according to Yandex standards—meaning the bar is quite high).

Who it's for @: Experienced Python developers

**Learning Format** :: Theory and practice through an interactive trainer, webinars, lectures, portfolio projects, and team-based sprint work

**Curriculum S**: Admin Panel and ETL services. Async API. Authorization. UGC. Notifications

**Duration** 77: 6 months

Study Time 🔀: 20 hours per week

Cost :: Installments starting from 4,886 RUB per month; total cost: 95,000 RUB

Format .: Cohort-based

Number of Portfolio Projects 2:6

**Certification >** : Professional Retraining Diploma from Yandex Practicum or a course completion certificate

#### Course Features 💪:

- Mentor feedback
- Career counseling
- Internship opportunities
- Trial access
- Limited access to course materials
- For experienced developers

Learn More: <a href="https://practicum.yandex.ru/middle-python/">https://practicum.yandex.ru/middle-python/</a>

#### **Netology: Python Developer From Scratch**

In addition to learning the standard practices for a Python web developer, the authors of the course included a module in technical English. This will help you improve your vocabulary, learn common phrases for interviews, and understand how to write a CV.

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**Learning Format** :: Video lectures, webinars, articles, and individual assignments, with access to materials for three years after course completion

#### Curriculum 📚:

Python fundamentals. Tools. Computer science. Backend development. Frontend development. Additional libraries and frameworks. Introduction to DevOps. Testing. Full-stack development. English for developers

**Duration** 17: 12 months

Study Time 🔀: 15 hours per week

**Cost =**: Installments starting from 4,425 RUB per month; total cost: 101,100 RUB

Format .: Cohort-based

Number of Portfolio Projects 2:3

**Certification** S: Certificate of Advanced Training or Professional Retraining Diploma

#### Course Features 💪:

- Mentor feedback
- Career counseling
- Internship opportunities
- Limited access to course materials
- No trial access

Learn More: <a href="https://netology.ru/programs/python">https://netology.ru/programs/python</a>

**GeekBrains: Python Developer** 

The course creators took an alternative approach by adding another popular language in web and desktop development C# as a bonus. This will help you get familiar with Microsoft's ecosystem.

Who it's for @: Those who have never tried programming

# Curriculum 📚:

Python fundamentals. Tools. Computer science. Backend development (using Flask). Frontend development. Additional libraries and frameworks. Introduction to DevOps. Testing. Full-stack development. C# fundamentals

**Duration** 17: 9 months

Study Time Z: 12 hours per week

**Cost** =: Installments start from 2,612 RUB per month; total cost: 79,927 RUB

Format : Cohort-based

Number of Portfolio Projects 2 : 7

**Certification** 5: Certificate of Advanced Training or Professional Retraining Diploma

### Course Features 6:

- Mentor feedback
- Career counseling

- Internship opportunities
- Limited access to course materials
- No trial access

**Learn More**: https://gb.ru/geek\_university/developer/programmer/python

**Brunoyam: Python Developer** 

This course follows a fairly standard flow: in addition to syntax and an introduction to computer science, you'll learn the Django framework and processes related to service development.

Who it's for <a>\overline{\infty}</a>: Those looking to start a new profession or use Python for personal purposes

**Learning Format** : Weekly theoretical modules, webinars

**Curriculum** : Programming language fundamentals. Tools. Computer science. Backend development. Frontend development. Additional libraries and frameworks. Introduction to DevOps. Testing

**Duration** 7: 7 months

Study Time 🔀: 10 hours per week

Cost ≡: Installments start from 6,242 RUB per month; total cost: 76,653 RUB

Format : Cohort-based or self-paced

Number of Portfolio Projects 2:4

**Certification >** : Certificate of completion from Brunoyam

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Course Features 6:

Mentor feedback

- Lifetime access
- Career counseling
- Internship opportunities
- No trial access

Learn More: <a href="https://brunoyam.com/online-kursy/python-s-nulya">https://brunoyam.com/online-kursy/python-s-nulya</a>

**Skillbox: Python Developer** 

The course is continuously updated and refined, and as a bonus, creators offer a module on the lightweight Flask framework and technical English. The course has been around for several years and is now thoroughly polished based on student feedback.

Who it's for @: Programming beginners and aspiring Python developers

**Learning Format** : Video lectures, practical assignments, projects, team-based work

Curriculum 📚:

Python fundamentals. Tools. Computer science. Backend development. Frontend development. Additional libraries and frameworks. Introduction to DevOps. Testing. Full-stack development. Flask framework

**Duration** 17: 10 months

**Study Time ∑** : 3-5 hours per week

**Cost** ≡: Installments start from 4,191 RUB per month; total cost: 128,250 RUB

Format ■: Self-paced learning and team internship

Number of Portfolio Projects 2:3

**Certification** 3: Skillbox certificate or Professional Retraining Diploma

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#### Course Features 6:

- Mentor feedback
- Lifetime access
- Career counseling
- Internship opportunities
- Trial access

Learn More: <a href="https://skillbox.ru/course/profession-python-tariff">https://skillbox.ru/course/profession-python-tariff</a>

**Productstar: Python Developer** 

In this course, Django replaces Flask, and the basics of data science are added to the standard modules. Whether to choose such a broad profile for starting a career and how it will help to advance in your main specialization is up to you to decide.

**Who it's for (2)**: Programming beginners. Upon completion, you can specialize in WebDev, DevOps, or data science.

**Learning Format** :: Video lessons, workshops, mentor support, hackathons

**Curriculum** : Python fundamentals. Tools. Computer science. Backend development (using Django). Frontend development. Additional libraries and frameworks. Introduction to DevOps. Basics of data science

**Duration** 17: 10 months, with the option for more intensive learning

**Cost =**: Installments starting from 6,895 RUB per month; total cost: 125,000 RUB

Number of Portfolio Projects 2:10

Format .: Self-paced learning with group workshops and hackathons

**Certification >** : Electronic certificate of course completion based on a licensed program

#### Course Features 6:

- Mentor feedback
- Career counseling
- Internship opportunities
- Limited access to the course
- No trial access

Learn More: https://new.productstar.ru/prof start python advancetariff

#### **Skillfactory: Python Developer**

Most of the coursework involves watching videos independently. However, there are also webinars, group discussions, and topic reviews. The curriculum is comprehensive, covering everything necessary to start web development using Django.

Who it's for @: Programming beginners

**Learning Format** : Theoretical modules, independent tasks, webinars, three trainers, mentor support

#### Curriculum 📚:

Python fundamentals. Tools. Computer science. Backend development. Frontend development. Additional libraries and frameworks. Introduction to DevOps

**Duration** 77: 9-14 months

Study Time 🔀: 10 hours per week

Cost :: Installments start from 3,167 RUB per month; total cost: 103,461 RUB

Format ■: Self-paced learning with group webinars

Number of Portfolio Projects 🖢 : 2 large cases and 6 projects

**Certification >** : Certificate of Advanced Training or Professional Retraining Diploma

#### Course Features 6:

- Mentor feedback
- Lifetime access
- Career counseling
- Internship opportunities
- No trial access

Learn More: https://skillfactory.ru/python-developer

#### SF Education: Backend Python Developer

This course is designed for IT students and practicing developers. It includes a simulator for self-checking assignments and is the most affordable course in this selection.

Who it's for <a>@</a>: Programmers and technical university students

**Learning Format**: Webinars, instructor support, team projects, consultations, practical assignments

#### Curriculum 📚:

Programming language fundamentals. Tools. Computer science. Backend development (+ Flask). Additional libraries and frameworks. Introduction to DevOps. Testing. SQL

**Duration** 17: 10 months

**Study Time \( \subseteq \)**: 5 hours per week

Cost ≡: Installments start from 2,395 RUB per month; total cost: 51,750 RUB

Format .: Self-paced learning

#### Number of Portfolio Projects 2:1

**Certification >** : Certificate of Advanced Training or Professional Retraining Diploma

#### Course Features 6:

- Mentor feedback
- Career counseling
- Internship opportunities
- Trial access
- Limited access to course materials

Learn More: https://sf.education/bkpython

# Paid Courses Lasting from 1 Month to half a year

**Otus: Python Developer. Basics** 

An intensive course that condenses the content of a larger program into 5 months. Be prepared to work hard.

Who it's for @: Beginner Python developers

**Learning Format** :: Webinars, instructor support, team projects, consultations, practical assignments

#### Curriculum 📚:

Programming language fundamentals. Tools. Computer science. Backend development (+ Flask). Additional libraries and frameworks. Introduction to DevOps. Testing. Data science

**Duration** 17: 5 months

Study Time 🔀: 10 hours per week

Cost =: 108,000 RUB

Format : Cohort-based

Number of Portfolio Projects 2:1

**Certification** 3: Otus certificate

#### Course Features 6:

- Mentor feedback
- Limited access to course materials
- No career counseling
- No internship opportunities
- No trial access

Learn More: https://otus.ru/lessons/python-basic

#### **Skillbox: Python Basics**

A foundational course on Python, which is also part of the larger Skillbox program. It includes everything you need to start programming: syntax, small projects, and over a hundred practical tasks.

Who it's for <a>[O]</a>: Beginner Python developers, IT specialists, developers in other languages

Learning Format :: Video lectures, projects, support from a curator

**Curriculum >**: Python fundamentals. Tools. Computer science

**Duration** 17: 4 months

Study Time \( \times \): 10 hours per week

**Cost** ≡: Installments starting from 6,417 RUB per month; total cost: 60,500 RUB

Format .: Self-paced learning

#### Number of Portfolio Projects 2:1

Certification 3 : Not specified

#### Course Features 💪:

- Mentor feedback
- Lifetime access
- No career counseling
- No internship opportunities
- No trial access

Learn More: https://skillbox.ru/course/python-basic

#### **Otus: Python Developer. Professional**

An advanced Python course covering topics primarily of interest to practicing developers.

**Learning Format** :: Admission to the course requires passing an entrance exam

**Curriculum \equiv**: Advanced Python. Advanced Django. Fundamentals of Data Engineering. Fundamentals of Highload

**Duration** 17: 5 months

Study Time  $\mathbb{Z}$ : 10-15 hours per week

Cost ==: 95,000 RUB

Format .: Cohort-based

Number of Portfolio Projects 9:1

**Certification** 3: Otus certificate

# Course Features 💪:

- Mentor feedback
- For experienced developers
- Limited access to course materials
- No career counseling
- No internship opportunities
- No trial access

**Learn More**: https://otus.ru/lessons/python-professional

#### **Skillfactory: Intensive Python Developer in 3 Months**

A very demanding course—you'll need to study full-time for three months. It won't be possible to combine the course with work or university/school studies, as you'll need to set everything aside during this period.

**Learning Format** : Intensive and fast-paced course, theory, practical assignments, trainers, mentor support, webinars

**Curriculum \equiv**: Python fundamentals. Tools. Computer science. Backend development. Frontend development

**Duration** 17: 3 months

**Study Time \( \subseteq \)**: 8 hours per day, 40 hours per week

Cost :: Installments start from 4,840 RUB per month; total cost: 106,480 RUB

Format .: Cohort-based

Number of Portfolio Projects 2:6

**Certification** 3: Certificate

### Course Features 💪:

- Mentor feedback
- Career counseling
- Internship opportunities
- Limited access to the course
- No trial access

Learn More: <a href="https://skillfactory.ru/python-intensive">https://skillfactory.ru/python-intensive</a>

# Yandex Practicum: Mastering Asynchronous Programming with Python

This course is not for beginners but for seasoned developers. It offers a fast and deep dive into asynchronous programming and parallel computing. If you're thinking about performance, this will come in handy.

**Who it's for** (a): Practicing Python developers who want to deepen their knowledge of asynchronous and parallel programming

**Learning Format** :: Trainers, tests, video lessons, online meetups, hackathons, end-to-end projects

**Curriculum \endownaller**: Asynchronous and parallel programming in Python. Converting synchronous code to asynchronous. Asynchronous frameworks. Asynchronous application infrastructure

**Duration** 17: 2.5 months

Study Time 🔀: 10-15 hours per week

Cost :: Installments starting from 2,057 RUB per month; total cost: 40,000 RUB

Format .: Cohort-based

#### Number of Portfolio Projects 2:5

**Certification >** : Professional Retraining Diploma from Yandex Practicum or course completion certificate

#### Course Features 💪:

- Mentor feedback
- Career counseling
- Trial access
- For experienced developers
- Limited access to course materials
- No internship opportunities

**Learn More**: <a href="https://practicum.yandex.ru/async-python">https://practicum.yandex.ru/async-python</a>

#### **International School of Professions: Python for Beginners**

An affordable and quick start in Python. While it's unlikely that you find a job immediately after completing a course, it provides an excellent foundation for understanding the basics. This knowledge will enable you to independently learn and add necessary frameworks to your skill set later on.

Who it's for @: Programming beginners

**Learning Format** : Interactive sessions, webinars, recorded lessons, communication with instructors

**Curriculum >**: Python fundamentals. Tools. Computer science. Backend development

**Duration** 17: 8 weeks

**Study Time ∑** : 3-4 hours per week

**Cost** ≡: Installments start from 3,300 RUB per month; total cost: 19,400 RUB

Format : Cohort-based

Number of Portfolio Projects 2:3

**Certification** 3: Certificate of Advanced Training or Professional Retraining Diploma

Access to course materials: 3 months

#### Course Features 6:

- Mentor feedback
- Limited access to the course
- No career counseling
- No internship opportunities
- No trial access

#### Learn More:

https://online.videoforme.ru/computer-programming-school/python-courses-web

### **LoftSchool: Python Basics**

A course that offers basic knowledge with an interesting approach—the entire workflow mimics a real technical team, with sprints and daily stand-ups.

Who it's for @: Those who want to become a programmer from scratch

**Learning Format** : Work in sprints, daily task plans, independent work, group sessions

Curriculum 📚: Python fundamentals. Tools. Computer science

**Duration** 17: 6 weeks

**Study Time ∑**: 8 hours a day, 40 hours per week

**Cost** ≡: Installments start from 893 RUB per month; total cost: 21,450 RUB

Format .: Cohort-based

Number of Portfolio Projects 2:1

**Certification >** : Certificate with a grade

#### Course Features 6:

- Mentor feedback
- Lifetime access
- No career counseling
- No internship opportunities
- No trial access

**Learn More**: <a href="https://loftschool.com/course/python-for-beginners">https://loftschool.com/course/python-for-beginners</a>

#### **Hexlet: Python Developer Foundations Bootcamp**

An intensive course for those who have never written code—an active dive into the basics of the language in just 2 weeks. It's not full-time, but you'll need to study for a couple of hours almost every day.

Who it's for **(a)**: Programming beginners who are ready for a very intensive schedule

**Learning Format** : Theoretical materials, practical assignments, online trainers, webinars

Curriculum 📚: Python fundamentals. Tools. Computer science

**Duration** 17: 2 weeks

Study Time 🔀: 5-10 hours per week

**Cost =**: 990 RUB

#### Number of Portfolio Projects 2:1

**Certification** 3: Hexlet certificate

#### Course Features 💪:

- Mentor feedback
- Limited access to the course
- No career counseling
- No internship opportunities
- No trial access

**Learn More**: <a href="https://pre.hexlet.io/python">https://pre.hexlet.io/python</a>

# Coursera: Programming for Everybody (Getting Started with Python)

A purely theoretical course on one of the most popular online platforms. You won't have any portfolio projects, but you'll need to complete practical tasks for each topic.

Who it's for <a>©</a>: Programming beginners

**Learning Format**: Video recordings and theoretical materials in English with Russian subtitles. Free access for 7 days

**Curriculum >**: Python fundamentals

**Duration** 7: 7 weeks

**Study Time ∑**: 2-3 hours per week

**Cost =**: 45 euros per month

Format .: Self-paced learning

Number of Portfolio Projects : None

**Certification** \( \begin{align\*} \text{Coursera certificate} \end{align\*} \)

#### **Course Features** 6:

- Lifetime access
- Free trial
- Taught in English
- No mentor support
- No career counseling
- No internship opportunities

**Learn More**: https://www.coursera.org/learn/python

**Coursera: Crash Course on Python** 

Another Python program on Coursera—this course covers the basics of the language, providing an introduction to Python's core functions and capabilities.

Who it's for 🙋: People unfamiliar with programming

**Learning Format** :: Video lectures and theoretical materials

**Curriculum \$**: Python fundamentals

**Duration** 17: 6 weeks

Study Time  $\mathbb{Z}$ : 2-3 hours per week

**Cost =**: 36 euros per month

Format .: Self-paced learning

Number of Portfolio Projects 2:1

**Certification** \( \begin{align\*} \text{Coursera certificate} \end{align\*} \)

Course Features 6:

- Lifetime access
- Free trial
- Taught in English
- No mentor support
- No career counseling
- No internship opportunities

Learn More: <a href="https://www.coursera.org/learn/python-crash-course">https://www.coursera.org/learn/python-crash-course</a>

#### **Stepik: Python for Those Who struggle**

A course from the Russian online platform for self-paced learning. It helps introduce you to the language and teaches how to solve basic everyday tasks to improve personal efficiency, like writing simple scripts.

- Who it's for @: Programming beginners, professionals in related fields
- Learning Format : Theoretical articles and practical tasks

**Curriculum >**: Python fundamentals. Tools

**Duration** 17: 6 weeks

Study Time 🔀: 3-5 hours per week

Cost = : 2,890 RUB

Format .: Self-paced learning

Number of Portfolio Projects 1/2: None

**Certification** 3: Stepik certificate

#### Course Features 6:

- Lifetime access
- Free trial
- Taught in English
- No mentor support
- No career counseling

No internship opportunities

Learn More: <a href="https://stepik.org/85388">https://stepik.org/85388</a>

# **Paid Short Courses (Up to 1 Month Duration)**

**Coursera: Programming in Python** 

This course serves as an introductory step for those aiming to work with databases or backend development in the future. While it doesn't cover these topics directly, the focus is on essential Python skills that will be valuable for such career paths.

**Learning Methods** : Interactive exercises, tests, video lessons, online meetups, hackathons, end-to-end projects

Curriculum 📚: Python Fundamentals. Development Tools. Computer Science

**Duration** 17: 44 hours

**Study Time \( \subseteq \)**: Flexible, at the student's discretion

Cost =: 45 euros per month

Format .: Self-paced learning

Portfolio Projects : None

**Certification** 3: Coursera certificate

Course Features 💪:

- Lifetime access to materials
- Free trial available
- Taught in English
- No mentor support

- No career counseling
- No internship opportunity

**Learn More** <a href="https://www.coursera.org/learn/programming-in-python">https://www.coursera.org/learn/programming-in-python</a>

# **Udemy: The Complete Python Bootcamp From Zero to Hero in Python**

In addition to video lectures, this course includes supplementary study materials from external platforms, such as articles, instructions, and documentation.

Who it's for @: Beginners new to Python

Learning Methods :: Video lectures, exercises, curated additional resources

**Curriculum \ointigetimes**: Python Fundamentals. Development Tools. Computer Science. Testing

**Duration** 17: 10 days or 22 hours

Recommended Study Time  $\mathbb{Z}$ : 8-10 hours per week

Cost = : 85 euros

Format .: Self-paced learning

Portfolio Projects 1/2: None

**Certification >**: Udemy certificate

Course Features 6:

- Lifetime access to materials
- Free trial available
- Taught in English
- No mentor support
- No career counseling
- No internship opportunity

Learn More: <a href="https://www.udemy.com/course/complete-python-bootcamp/">https://www.udemy.com/course/complete-python-bootcamp/</a>

# Udemy: The Python Mega Course: Learn Python in 60 Days with 20 Apps

This course teaches the basics of frontend development and Python, along with how these two areas work together. While it doesn't offer in-depth coverage, it provides a solid introduction to the field.

Who it's for <a>@</a>: Anyone interested in learning Python

**Learning Methods** : Video lectures, exercises, articles

**Curriculum** >: Python Fundamentals. Development Tools. Computer Science. Frontend Development

**Duration** 17: 4 days (8 hours total)

**Recommended Study Time**  $\overline{\underline{z}}$ : 2-5 hours per day

Cost = : 150 euros

Format .: Self-paced learning

Portfolio Projects 2: None

**Certification >** : Udemy certificate

Last Updated: 2022

#### Course Features 6:

- Mentor feedback available
- Lifetime access to materials
- Taught in English
- No career counseling
- No internship opportunities
- No free trial

Learn more <a href="https://www.udemy.com/course/the-python-mega-course/">https://www.udemy.com/course/the-python-mega-course/</a>

**Udemy: Python For Beginners: Quick Start Guide to Python 3** 

Quick Dive into Python. This course, like others in this section, won't provide deep knowledge or extensive hands-on experience but will help you decide if Python is the right fit for you.

Who it's for @: Programming beginners, developers from other languages

**Learning Methods** : Video lectures

**Curriculum >**: Python Fundamentals. Testing

**Duration** 7: 4 days (7 hours total)

Cost = : 20 euros

Format .: Self-paced learning

Portfolio Projects : None

**Certification** : Udemy certificate

Course Features 6:

- Taught in English
- No mentor support
- Limited access to course materials
- No career counseling
- No internship opportunities
- No free trial available

#### Learn more

https://www.udemy.com/course/python3-a-beginners-quick-start-guide-to-python

#### Coursera: Python for Data Science, Al & Development

A Tiny Course to Try Data Work in Python. This mini-course gives you a chance to experiment with data in Python, laying the groundwork for future learning in data science and AI.

**Learning Methods** : Theory, videos, tests, quizzes. Course by IBM.

Curriculum 📚: Python Fundamentals. Development Tools. Parsing

**Duration** 17: 2.5 hours

Study Time \( \subseteq : Flexible, at your own pace \)

Cost ≡: 36 euros

Format .: Self-paced learning

Portfolio Projects : None

**Certification >** : Coursera certificate

#### Course Features 6:

Lifetime access to materials

- Free trial available
- Taught in English
- No mentor support
- No career counseling
- No internship opportunities

#### Learn more

https://www.coursera.org/learn/python-for-applied-data-science-ai?specialization =ibm-full-stack-cloud-developer

# **Free Courses**

In this section, we've compiled a list of free educational programs that do not offer internships, career counseling, or mentoring. Free courses from major EdTech platforms such as Skillbox, Yandex Practicum, Netology, and others will not only help you acquire knowledge but also familiarize you with different learning formats. Additionally, courses from other platforms can provide a strong foundation for further learning in Python programming. While all the free courses in this list must be completed independently, some even offer instructor feedback.

#### **JetBrains: Introduction to Python**

This course is conducted directly within your IDE and is available as a plugin. A series of practical exercises with automatic verification helps you master the basic syntax of Python.

Who it's for <a>@</a>: Anyone interested in learning Python.

**Course Structure** : 10 lessons integrated as a plugin for the PyCharm development environment.

**Curriculum >**: Python fundamentals and tools

Study Time Z: Flexible

Number of Portfolio Projects 2:0

Last Updated: 2023

Course Features 6:

- Lifetime access to materials
- Taught in English
- No feedback provided

Learn more: <a href="https://plugins.jetbrains.com/plugin/16630-introduction-to-python">https://plugins.jetbrains.com/plugin/16630-introduction-to-python</a>

#### Stepik: «Programming in Python»

A solid program from the Institute of Bioinformatics, is often recommended as a starting point in product management and product analytics communities.

Who it's for @: Complete beginners with no programming experience

**Course Structure** :: Video lessons, theory, and practical assignments with automatic verification, based on the Institute of Bioinformatics program

Curriculum >: Python basics and tools

**Time Commitment ∑**: 3-6 hours per week

Portfolio Projects : None

**Certification >**: Certificate from Stepik and the Institute of Bioinformatics

Last Updated: 2023

#### Course Features 6:

- Lifetime access
- No feedback provided

Learn More: <a href="https://stepik.org/67">https://stepik.org/67</a>

**CodeBasics: Free Python Course for Beginners** 

This user-friendly platform offers an interactive trainer with automated checking of practical assignments. While it won't make you a professional programmer, it's a great resource to learn Python's basic capabilities and understand how to write simple scripts.

Who it's for <a>@</a>: Anyone interested in learning Python

**Learning Method** :: Interactive lessons with in-browser practice

**Curriculum >**: Python Basics, Tools

**Study Time \( \subseteq \)**: Flexible, at your own pace

Number of Portfolio Projects 1: None

#### Course Features 6:

- Feedback provided
- Lifetime access

Learn More: <a href="https://code-basics.com/ru/languages/python">https://code-basics.com/ru/languages/python</a>

**Yandex Practicum: Python Development Fundamentals** 

This is a marketing "sample" of the larger Python courses offered by the same platform.

Who it's for @: Those who want to learn the basics of backend development but haven't decided on a programming language yet

**Learning Format** : Theory, trainer, tasks, project

**Curriculum \equiv**: Python basics, tools, backend development (basic introduction)

**Study Time**  $\overline{\mathbf{x}}$ : At your own pace

Number of Portfolio Projects 2:1

Course Features 💪:

- Lifetime access
- No feedback provided

Learn More: <a href="https://practicum.yandex.ru/python-free/">https://practicum.yandex.ru/python-free/</a>

**Netology: Python Basics: Creating a Telegram Bot** 

Another "sample" of a more extensive program.

Who it's for @: Those interested in programming

**Learning Format** : Video lectures, tasks, mini-projects

Curriculum 📚: Python basics, tools, computer science, creating a Telegram bot

**Study Time \( \subseteq \)**: Up to 20 hours for the entire course

Number of Portfolio Projects 2: 2

**Certificate** 3: Netology certificate

Course Features 💪:

Feedback provided

#### Lifetime access

**Learn More**: <a href="https://netology.ru/programs/pyfree-async">https://netology.ru/programs/pyfree-async</a>

Stepik: Generation Python. Beginner's Course

A very basic course covering loops, variables, and other fundamental aspects of Python syntax. It includes a mini-project, and by the end, you'll have a small, self-written program to be proud of.

Who it's for <a>o</a></a>: Those interested in programming

**Learning Format** : Theoretical materials, tasks

Curriculum >: Python basics, tools

Study Time \( \times \): At your own pace

Number of Portfolio Projects 2:1

Certificate 3: Stepik certificate

Course Features 💪:

Feedback provided

Lifetime access

Learn More: <a href="https://stepik.org/course/58852/promo">https://stepik.org/course/58852/promo</a>

#### Conclusion

To get started with Python, you can begin with a free course, practice the language, and then decide whether to continue learning independently or invest in a paid version. We recommend reading reviews when selecting an online school, as this will help you make a more informed decision. It's also helpful to chat with course graduates to learn about their experiences, the challenges they faced, and other useful insights. You can often find graduates in Telegram chats, Twitter, Reddit, or Facebook groups dedicated to specific programming

languages.