

Software school opens for applications

A free training camp which teaches people how to write software code is open for its next cohort of students.

Birmingham-based School of Code is currently accepting applications for its next 16-week camp which will commence in February.

The intensive course is held remotely and teaches people to write software code.

It is open to anyone aged 19 or over and living in the UK regardless of their background and existing technical knowledge but they must be able to commit to attending the course full time for the entire 16 weeks. Applications will close on November 14.

School of Code's Bootcamp covers the fundamentals of software development and offers the chance to work on real-world projects alongside sessions on soft skills and support with finding employment.

The school's focus on providing a free route into tech careers is supported through the Government's Lifetime Skills Guarantee which aims to help people gain the skills needed to secure good jobs no matter their life stage.

Its previous graduates include former teachers, parents returning to work, refugees and hospitality workers.

Founder and chief executive Chris Meah said: "Software development provides incredibly challenging, rewarding and creative careers but if you haven't had the opportunity to learn then it can seem complex and opaque. School of Code is changing that.

“We’ve trained over 500 people so far with our free coding school and helped them into exciting jobs in tech and look forward to introducing many more people to the world of code.”