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## Application Steps

### Step 1: review eligibility

The Hyperledger Mentorship Program is aimed at providing a structured and guided learning opportunity for new developers, including college and university students, interested in becoming open source contributors to the Hyperledger community. Please first review the eligibility requirements to determine if you're eligible to apply.

### Step 2: discover projects

Carefully review the Hyperledger mentorship projects that are open for applications in 2021 and identify which project(s) you're interested in.

- Ask yourself which projects you are the most excited or curious about exploring? The project descriptions, learning objectives and outcomes, and any additional information or links on the project page may give you some insight.
- Ask yourself which projects are a better fit for your profile. Be sure to read about the educational level and skills required or desired to evaluate if you are qualified.
- Lastly, some mentorships require Summer FT (full-time) commitment (40 hours a week for 12 consecutive weeks from June to August) or Summer PT (part-time) commitment (20 hours a week for 24 consecutive weeks from June to November) while others allow both options. Make sure the program timeline and schedule will fit into your schedule.

Each applicant may apply for multiple but no more than **THREE** projects. We recommend that you focus your effort on 2 projects and submit a quality application for those two projects.

### Step 3: contact mentor(s)

This step is optional. Feel free to contact the mentor(s) for the projects that you are interested in to learn more and to clarify any information that's unclear to you.

- You may be able to discover more about the desirable background and skills of the mentee the mentor(s) are looking to work with.
- We have learned that the best applications are often from students who took the time to interact and discuss their ideas with the mentors before submitting an application.
- But be thoughtful with your questions as our mentors may be receiving a large volume of questions from interested applicants.

### Step 4: prepare application materials

Besides collecting standard demographic and contact information on the application, we will ask you to upload your **resume and a cover letter**. The cover letter will ask you to address the following questions:

- How did you find out about our program?
- Why are you interested in the project(s) you're applying to?
- What experience and knowledge/skills do you have that are applicable to the requirements of the project(s) you're applying to?
- What do you hope to get out of this experience?

Remember, your cover letter should demonstrate not only you're qualified but also passionate about becoming an active contributor in the Hyperledger open source community through this experience.

### Step 5: apply on LFX Mentorship Platform

LFX Mentorship, developed by The Linux Foundation, of which Hyperledger is part of, is the portal where the Hyperledger mentorship projects are listed and mentee applications will be taken.

- Go to LFX Mentorship Platform
- Create Your Mentee Profile (you will need to create an LFID first you don't already have one)
- View all projects and search by "Hyperledger" to see all 22 Hyperledger projects open for application
- Click on the specific Hyperledger projects to read about the project details
- Be sure to "View Site" to take you to the corresponding wiki page for complete project information
- When ready, click "Apply" (remember you can apply up to 3 projects)
- Complete the application prerequisites: latest resume and cover letter
Please review detailed application instructions that may further assist your application on LFX Mentorship.

Questions?

Please email mentorship@hyperledger.org