



Google Summer of Code is a global program that offers student developers stipends to write code for various open source software projects. We work with many open source, free software, and technology-related groups to identify and fund projects over a three month period. Since its inception in 2005, the program has brought together over 7,500 successful student participants from 101 countries and over 8,000 mentors from over 109 countries worldwide to produce over 50 million lines of code. Through *Google Summer of Code*, accepted student applicants are paired with a mentor or mentors from the participating projects, thus gaining exposure to real-world software development scenarios and the opportunity for employment in areas related to their academic pursuits. In turn, the participating projects are able to more easily identify and bring in new developers. Best of all, more source code is created and released for the use and benefit of all.

Get Involved with Drupal

Drupal is an Open Source project that mentors both in GSoC and GCI. Drupal encourages the push for open source software has a strong community that welcomes Open Source. Moving forward Drupal is encouraging students and mentors to attend local Drupal meet ups to spread the word of their initiative. Drupal has a growing presence in in GSoC and GCI and hopes to grow even



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Introduction

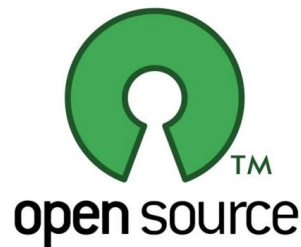
Every year Google, Drupal, and several other organizations come together to hold two very large open source software competitions. These competitions are offered for students from middle school all the way to the university level. These competitions have mentoring organizations like Drupal to help students write open source software to be used in several different ways thought there Open Source Projects. These competitions are called GSoC and GCI. Both of them were created so help spread open source software.



What is Open Source?

Open source is software that is open to everyone. Open source software is open for anybody to add or distribute.

Open Source is a very good type of software because it does not put barriers on innovation. Open Source projects let everybody contribute and share their ideas. The benefit of Open Source is that it is free to change and innovate on. Open Source is the basis of many Google products and is the basis around GCI and GSoC are built on.



The [Google Code-in](#) is a contest to introduce pre-university students (ages 13-17) to the many kinds of contributions that make open source software development possible. For many students the Google Code-in contest is their first introduction to open source development. For Google Code-in we work with open source organizations, each of whom has experience mentoring university students in the [Google Summer of Code](#) program, to provide "bite sized" tasks for participating students to complete during the seven week contest.

These tasks include:

Code: Tasks related to writing or refactoring code

Documentation/Training: Tasks related to creating/editing documents and helping others learn more

Outreach/Research: Tasks related to community management, outreach/marketing or studying problems and recommending solutions

Quality Assurance: Tasks related to testing and ensuring code is of high quality

User Interface: Tasks related to user experience research or user interface design and interaction

1 Task = Certificate

3 Tasks = T-Shirt

Do **a lot** of tasks = Get a hoodie and a chance to go visit Google in Mountain view CA