

Scaler launches Scaler School of Technology, a 4-year residential UG program in Computer Science with its first campus in Bengaluru

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- A first-of-its-kind program designed by the industry and for the industry to provide the best-in-class experience to aspiring engineers with a unique work-integrated learning environment
- The first campus is located in the heart of India's technology capital Bengaluru enabling easy access to a massive pool of industry leaders and peers

Scaler (by InterviewBit), one of India's fastest-growing start-ups, today announced the launch of <u>Scaler School of Technology</u>, a 4-year residential undergraduate computer science program designed and delivered to revolutionize higher education for the next generation of India's software professionals.

In a recent event by FICCI, Mr A mitabh Kant, the former CEO of Niti Ayog, succinctly <u>highlighted</u> the lack of industry-academia collaboration that leaves our current university curriculum severely lacking. The country is in dire need of - one, a high-quality computer science UG program capable of delivering world-class career prospects to millions of young and ambitious Indian software engineers, and two, providing a perennial pipeline of highly qualified skilled workforce for the global technology sector. Scaler School of Technology has been established to address these two essential and long-unmet demands in India.

Of the 16 lakh engineering graduates entering the job market in India every year, only 16% end up finding a job, out of which 80% are computer science jobs. Only 2% of these graduates actually find a job that pays more than Rs 8 lakh a year, primarily computer science related. The supply side of the challenge is equally anomalous. Quality educators like our tax-payer-funded leading engineering college in 23 cities, the Indian Institute of Technology (IIT), offer fewer than 500 computer science seats annually and don't have a 100% placement rate. The rest have to make do with a UG ecosystem that is scarcely equipped to impart industry-relevant education and training due to outdated curriculum delivered by inadequately trained teachers and at a price that doesn't deliver results for the students or parents investing in their children's future. On the other hand, high-quality jobs in software engineering are in very high demand and will continue to be so. Coursera has estimated that there will be 9 crore new jobs in software engineering in the next 10 years. But the largely poor quality of India's UG programs for computer science is forcing graduates to learn outside the curriculum to find well-paying jobs. Scaler School of Technology



expects to address all these issues effectively.

Salient features of Scaler School of Technology's 4-year residential undergraduate program -

- Offers specialisations in new-age in-demand technologies like Data Science, Machine Learning, Algorithmic Trading and competitive programming
- 1-year paid industry internship with leading tech companies with 1-1 guidance from industry mentors
- State-of-the-art gamified learning platform real-time learning tracker
- Brainstorm on real-world hackathons in collaboration with Scaler's career partners
- Fireside chats and mentoring by industry leaders/CTOs
- Top tech veterans from Google, Microsoft, Amazon, Ola, Uber will teach
- 1:1 guided mentorship from the industry leaders during internship

Abhimanyu Saxena, Co-founder of Scaler & InterviewBit, said, "The short duration upskilling courses around machine learning, data science, and AI that Scaler has been providing over the last four years have turned around the careers for thousands of young professionals. We have delivered better results than any of the country's current 4-year UG CS programs. The 35,000-odd successful Scaler alumni in the global technology sector gave us the confidence to enter the UG education space and bring fundamental changes that will deliver results for all stakeholdeDelivered in three phases, the first 18 months of the program will focus on mastering computer science fundamentals by building pedagogy with real-life cases, followed by one year paid industry internship with leading technology companies and one-on-one mentoring by industry veterans. The final 18 months will allow students to specialize as senior engineers and machine learning/artificial intelligence engineers with specialization in algorithmic trading or learning skills, which will help graduates build their careers in the top 0.1% of the companies in the world. The program also intends to provide a pre-placement offer (PPO) to 50% of the batch within two and a half years of joining the program. Scaler has also built a robust merit-based scholarship program allowing students from every background access to the best quality of education and develop into highly competent and future-ready software tech professionals.

Students at Scaler's Undergraduate Programme in Software Development will be eligible to enroll in a Bachelor of Science (B. Sc.) in Computer Science recognised by the UGC through a partner institute. This degree will also enable students to apply for government jobs or Indian and overseas higher studies if they wish to. Additionally, they will also receive a Master of Science in Computer Science from Woolf University, which is licensed as a higher education institution in the European Union that works on ECTS - European Credit Transfer System. The master's degree awarded by Woolf is globally recognised, with recognition from ECS and CES.

"Scaler was created on the belief that everyone is unique when it comes to learning. Completely standardised and theory-heavy education will not work. In the Scaler world, every student gets a personal industry mentor who spends time with them every month to shape their career and thought process, supported by batch success managers responsible for ensuring no one is left behind. Scaler School of Technology will work on the same principle." added Anshuman Singh, Co-founder of Scaler & InterviewBit.

Scaler School of Technology will not be an all-work-no-play institution. Students will live an enriching life with access to the expected experience, including campus events, fests, and all modern amenities like gyms, sports activities, libraries, laundry, medical facilities, and security at the state-of-the-art campus. The 4-year residential program located in the heart of India's Silicon



Valley, Bengaluru, will allow students to meet industry leaders at least once every quarter. Scaler also works with more than 900 employer-partners internationally, including the top names in every tech sector like Google, Microsoft, Amazon, Facebook, Zomato, Airtel, Wells Fargo, PayPal and others, who regularly hire Scaler alumni. To top it all, Bengaluru's effervescent social life created by its unique cosmopolitan population will be a perfect setting for Scaler's students to learn, grow and live a wholesome life. The first batch of the new UG program offering 200 seats will commence on July 18, 2023.

About Scaler:

Launched in 2019, Scaler (by InterviewBit) is India's leading ed tech startup that upskills tech professionals. Scaler's industry-vetted curriculum provides solutions to real-world challenges addressing the changing dynamics of the technology industry through two flagship programs -Scaler A cademy and Scaler DSML. Scaler believes in creating real-life impact by focusing on 'impact-driven' tech talent. Enrolled learners are mentored and taught by leaders and subject matter experts working with leading organisations, including MAANG companies. Scaler has generated enviable career outcomes in a short period, and on average, its learners see a 4.5x Rol (return on investment) and salary hike of approximately 126%. To further redefine tech education, Scaler has launched Scaler Neovarsity, an online university that offers an outcome-focused Master's Program accredited with ECTS. Scaler is also the only ed tech player in the country to establish 'Scalerverse', a distributed campus to add to its Neovarsity vision for learners, teachers, and mentors, encouraging holistic learning and development. Scaler Enterprise is the B2B arm that focuses on building relationships with domestic and global organisations to provide them with industry-ready talent. Over 600 companies have worked with Scaler for their tech recruitment needs. The startup's parent firm, InterviewBit, is featured on the Financial Times Asia Pacific High Growth Companies 2021 and 2022 ranking. Scaler is backed by marguee global investors like Sequoia Capital India, Tiger Global, and Lightrock India and has expanded its footprints across India and US. For more information, please

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