Highfield **Level 4** End-Point Assessment for **ST0116 Software Developer**

£ Government funding band – **£18,000**

Gateway requirements – **level 2 in English and maths (optional for 19+, please see funding rules), submitted a portfolio of evidence and submission of a work-based project summary**

End-point assessment method – **work-based project with questioning and a professional discussion underpinned by portfolio**

Overview of the standard

Software developers are the creative minds behind computer programs. Some develop the applications that allow people to do specific tasks on a computer or another device. Others develop the underlying systems that run the devices or that control networks. Organisations use software to ensure that their operations become ever more effective and robustly reduce the incidence of downtime by building quality tested software solutions to give a better service.
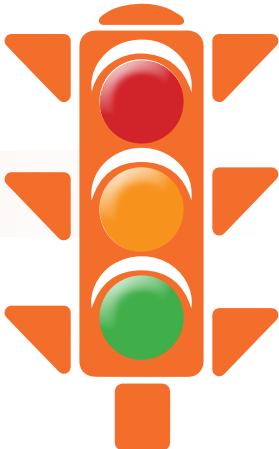
This occupation is found across every sector, for example, financial services, computer gaming, retail, transport, and security and defence in organisations ranging from large multi-nationals, public sector bodies and government projects developing multi-billion-pound software solutions to support key projects to small consultancy firms designing bespoke software solutions for clients.

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Your apprentice's journey

Ready for training

- Initial assessment
- English and maths training (optional for 19+, please see funding rules)
- On-programme training to meet the requirements of the standard
- Gateway readiness self-assessment

Set for assessment
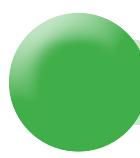
The end-point assessment methods are:

Work-based project with questioning:
- 4,500-word project (+/- 10% if necessary)
- 60-minute questioning session with an independent assessor
- a minimum of 12 questions asked during the questioning

Professional discussion underpinned by portfolio:
- a 60-minute professional discussion
- portfolio of evidence submitted at gateway, which is not directly assessed
- a minimum of 12 questions asked during the professional discussion

Go further

On completion of the apprenticeship, apprentices may wish to progress into other roles in the digital industry.

Available support

On-programme support
- Delivery resources
- Tutor support resource
- Innovative and multi-device e-learning courses

End-point assessment support
- Gateway and mock assessments
- Bespoke end-point assessment solutions
- Progression tracking system
- Staff training, standardisation and support