



Developing Microsoft SharePoint Server 2013 Core Solutions

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Course Description

In this course, students learn core skills that are common to almost all SharePoint development activities. These include working with the server-side and client-side object models, developing and deploying features, solutions, and apps, managing identity and permissions, querying and updating list data, managing taxonomy, using workflow to manage business processes, and customizing the user interface.

Audience Profile

The course is intended for professional developers who develop solutions for SharePoint products and technologies in a team-based, medium-sized to large development environment. While some familiarity with SharePoint solution development is required, candidates are not expected to have prior experience with the new features in SharePoint Server 2013. The ideal candidate is a technical lead with at least four years of SharePoint and web development experience. The candidate is responsible for designing custom code for projects that are deployed to or interact with SharePoint environments. This includes:

- Selecting an appropriate approach and building customizations in SharePoint
- Creating and implementing a strategy for solution packaging, deployment, and upgrading
- Identifying SharePoint data and content structures for customizations
- Performing diagnostics and debugging
- Planning and designing applications for scalability and performance
- Identifying and mitigating performance issues of customizations
- Understanding authentication and authorization
- Experience with Windows PowerShell
- Broad familiarity with SharePoint capabilities
- Familiarity with Online Services such as Azure and SharePoint Online

Course Completion

After completing this course, students will be able to:

- Design and manage features and solutions
- Develop code for custom server-side components
- Manage and customize authentication and authorization
- Create custom sites and lists and manage the site lifecycle

- Explain the capabilities and design choices for SharePoint apps
- Use the client-side object model and the REST API
- Develop provider-hosted and auto-hosted SharePoint apps
- Distribute and deploy SharePoint apps
- Create custom workflows to automate business processes
- Use fields and content types to manage taxonomy
- Customize the appearance and behavior of user interface elements
- Customize navigation and site branding

Prerequisites

Before attending this course, students must have:

- A working knowledge of using Visual Studio 2010 or Visual Studio 2012 to develop solutions
- A basic working knowledge of SharePoint solution development, either in SharePoint 2013 or in earlier versions of SharePoint
- A working knowledge of Visual C# and the .NET Framework 4.5
- A basic understanding of ASP.NET and server-side web development technologies, including request/response and the page lifecycle
- A basic understanding of AJAX and asynchronous programming techniques
- A basic working knowledge of client-side web technologies including HTML, CSS, and JavaScript
- Familiarity with approaches to authentication and authorization, including claims-based authentication

Course Outline

Module 1: SharePoint as a Developer Platform

This module examines different approaches that can be used to develop applications with SharePoint Server 2013 the scenarios in which each approach might be appropriate.

Lessons

- Introducing the SharePoint Developer Landscape
- Choosing Approaches to SharePoint Development
- Understanding SharePoint 2013 Deployment and Execution Models

Lab: Comparing Web Parts and App Parts

- Creating and Deploying a SharePoint Web Part
- Creating and Deploying a SharePoint App Part

After completing this module, students will be able to:

- Describe the opportunities for developers in SharePoint Server 2013
- Choose appropriate execution models for custom SharePoint components

- Choose appropriate deployment models for custom SharePoint components

Module 2: Working with SharePoint Objects

This module introduces the server-side SharePoint object model and how the core classes relate to sites and collections. The server-side SharePoint object model provides a core set of classes that represent different items in the logical architecture of a SharePoint deployment. Students also learn how manage permissions for server-side code.

Lessons

- Understanding the SharePoint Object Hierarchy
- Working with Sites and Webs
- Working with Execution Contexts

Lab: Working with Sites and Webs

- Working with Sites and Webs in Managed Code
- Working with Sites and Webs in Windows PowerShell

Lab: Working with Execution Contexts

- Running Code with Elevated Privileges
- Adapting Content for Different User Permissions

After completing this module, students will be able to:

- Explain the purpose of key classes in the server-side SharePoint object model
- Programmatically interact with SharePoint site collections and sites
- Adapt solutions for users with different levels of permissions

Module 3: Working with Lists and Libraries

This module explains how to interact with lists and libraries. Students learn about how to work with lists and libraries programmatically using the server-side SharePoint object model and how to use query classes and LINQ to SharePoint to query and retrieve data from SharePoint lists. Student also learn how to efficiently work with lists that contain large numbers of items.

Lessons

- Using List and Library Objects
- Querying and Retrieving List Data
- Working with Large Lists

Lab: Querying and Retrieving List Data

- Querying List Items
- Updating List Items

Lab: Working with Large Lists

- Using the ContentIterator Class

After completing this module, students will be able to:

- Interact with lists and libraries programmatically
- Query and retrieve list data
- Perform operations efficiently on large lists

Module 4: Designing and Managing Features and Solutions

This module examines creating and deploying custom Developing a SharePoint solutions and features. The students also learn how and when to use sandbox solutions.

Lessons

- Understanding Features and Solutions
- Configuring Features and Solutions
- Working with Sandboxed Solutions

Lab: Working with Features and Solutions

- Configuring SharePoint Features
- Creating Feature Receiver Classes
- Creating Features with Dependencies

After completing this module, students will be able to:

- Explain the purpose and key functionality of Features and solutions
- Configure and manage Features and solutions
- Create and manage sandboxed solutions

Module 5: Working with Server-Side Code

This module describes how to develop and deploy Web Parts and event receivers in a solution.

Lessons

- Developing Web Parts

- Using Event Receivers
- Using Timer Jobs
- Storing Configuration Data

Lab: Working with Server-Side Code

- Developing an Event Receiver
- Updating a Web Part
- Creating a Timer Job

After completing this module, students will be able to:

- Describe the process for developing a web part
- Use event receivers to handle SharePoint events
- Use timer jobs to perform out of process, and scheduled operations
- Store and manipulate configuration data for custom components

Module 6: Managing Identity and Permissions

This module describes how manage permissions through code and customize authentication using custom claims providers.

Lessons

- Understanding Identity Management in SharePoint 2013
- Managing Permissions in SharePoint 2013
- Configuring Forms-Based Authentication
- Customizing the Authentication Experience

Lab: Managing Permissions Programmatically in SharePoint 2013

- Managing List Permissions Programmatically

Lab: Creating and Deploying a Custom Claims Provider

- Creating a Custom Claims Provider
- Supporting Search and Resolve in a Claims Provider
- Deploying and Testing a Claims Provider

After completing this module, students will be able to:

- Describe how authentication and identity management work in SharePoint 2013
- Verify and manage permissions programmatically in SharePoint 2013
- Create and configure custom membership providers and role managers for forms-based authentication
- Create claims providers and customize the sign-in experience

Module 7: Introducing Apps for SharePoint

This module introduces the SharePoint App, a new way to customize SharePoint functionality with SharePoint Server 2013.

Lessons

- Overview of Apps for SharePoint
- Developing Apps for SharePoint

Lab: Creating a Site Suggestions App

- Creating a New SharePoint App
- Using the Client-Side Object Model

After completing this module, students will be able to:

- Describe SharePoint apps and compare them to SharePoint farm solutions and sandboxed solutions
- Describe how to develop apps for SharePoint 2013 that work on-premises and in the cloud

Module 8: Client-Side SharePoint Development

This module describes how to use JavaScript Client Object Model (CSOM), managed code CSOM and the REST API to build SharePoint Apps.

Lessons

- Using the Client-Side Object Model for Managed Code
- Using the Client-Side Object Model for JavaScript
- Using the REST API with JavaScript

Lab: Using the Client-Side Object Model for Managed Code

- Add Site Column
- Add the Mileage Claim Content Type
- Add the Claims List

Lab: Using the REST API with JavaScript

- Creating List Relationships
- Add Vote Recording
- Display Votes for Each Suggestion

After completing this module, students will be able to:

- Use the client-side object model for managed code to interact with a SharePoint deployment.

- Use the client-side object model for JavaScript to interact with a SharePoint deployment.
- Use the REST API with JavaScript or C# to interact with a SharePoint deployment.

Module 9: Developing Remote Hosted SharePoint Apps

This module examines the difference between provider hosted Apps and Remote Hosted Apps. The students will also create and deploy a Provider Hosted App.

Lessons

- Overview of Remote Hosted Apps
- Configuring Remote Hosted Apps
- Developing Remote Hosted Apps

Lab: Configuring a Provider Hosted SharePoint App

- Configuring a Server to Server Trust Relationship
- Creating a Provider Hosted App

Lab: Developing a Provider Hosted SharePoint App

- Working with SharePoint Data
- Using the Chrome Control

After completing this module, students will be able to:

- Describe how remote-hosted apps work and how to configure the permissions and cross-domain calls that they may require
- Configure apps for hosting on Windows Azure or remote servers
- Develop apps for hosting on Windows Azure or remote servers

Module 10: Publishing and Distributing Apps

This module introduces the App Catalog so users to locate, purchase, and install apps easily. The students learn how to package and publish Apps to the App Catalog.

Lessons

- Understanding the App Management Architecture
- Understanding App Packages
- Publishing Apps
- Installing, Updating, and Uninstalling Apps

Lab: Publishing an App to a Corporate Catalog

- Creating an App Catalog

- Creating an App Package
- Publishing an App Package

Lab: Installing, Updating, and Uninstalling Apps

- Installing an App
- Upgrading an App
- Removing an App

After completing this module, students will be able to:

- Explain how SharePoint manages app publishing and distribution
- Describe the contents of an app package
- Publish apps to a corporate catalog or the Office Marketplace
- Install, update, and uninstall apps

Module 11: Automating Business Processes

This module explains how to create workflows and workflow actions using Visio 2013, SharePoint Designer 2013 and Visual Studio 2012.

Lessons

- Understanding Workflow in SharePoint 2013
- Building Workflows by using Visio 2013 and SharePoint Designer 2013
- Developing Workflows in Visual Studio 2012

Lab: Building Workflows in Visio 2013 and SharePoint Designer 2013

- Creating Workflows by Using Visio
- Editing Workflows by Using SharePoint Designer

Lab: Creating Workflow Actions in Visual Studio 2012

- Creating Custom Workflow Actions
- Using a Custom Workflow in SharePoint Designer

At the end of this module, student will be able to:

- Describe the architecture and capabilities of workflow in SharePoint 2013
- Create declarative workflows in Visio 2013 and SharePoint Designer 2013
- Create and deploy custom workflows by using Visual Studio 2012

Module 12: Managing Taxonomy

This module explains the importance of a good taxonomy in SharePoint and working with the components of the taxonomy. The students also see how to tie event receivers to the taxonomy.

Lessons

- Managing Taxonomy in SharePoint 2013
- Working with Content Types
- Working with Advanced Features of Content Types

Lab: Working with Content Types

- Create a System to Capture Vacation Requests

Lab: Working with Advanced Features of Content Types

- Creating an Event Receiver Assembly
- Registering an Event Receiver with a Site Content Type

After completing this module, student will be able to:

- Work with taxonomy building blocks in SharePoint 2013
- Create and configure content types declaratively and programmatically
- Work with advanced features of content types

Module 13: Managing Custom Components and Site Life Cycles

This module explains how you can create custom component definitions and templates, which enable you to deploy custom sites, lists and other components across a farm.

Lessons

- Defining Custom Lists
- Defining Custom Sites
- Managing SharePoint Sites

Lab: Managing Custom Components and Site Life Cycles

- Create a Site Definition
- Create a List Definition
- Developing an Event Receiver

After completing this module, students will be able to:

- Define and provision custom lists

- Define and provision custom sites
- Manage the SharePoint site life cycle

Module 14: Customizing User Interface Elements

This module explains different ways of customizing the SharePoint user interface, such as adding buttons to the ribbon or modifying the appearance of list views.

Lessons

- Working with Custom Actions
- Using Client-Side User Interface Components
- Customizing the SharePoint List User Interface

Lab: Using the Edit Control Block to Launch an App

- Configuring an App to Display Customer Orders
- Use a Custom Action to Launch an App

Lab: Using jQuery to Customize the SharePoint List User Interface

- Creating a Custom List View

After completing this module, students will be able to:

- Use custom actions to modify the SharePoint user interface
- Use JavaScript to work with client-side SharePoint user interface components
- Describe how to modify the appearance and behavior of list views and forms

Module 15: Working with Branding and Navigation

This module explains ways to customize branding, designing, publishing and navigating sites in SharePoint Server 2013. The students also learn how to create device independent sites standard web technologies, such as HTML, CSS, and JavaScript.

Lessons

- Creating and Applying Themes
- Branding and Designing Publishing Sites
- Tailoring Content to Platforms and Devices
- Configuring and Customizing Navigation

Lab: Branding and Designing Publishing Sites

- Creating SharePoint Master Pages

- Building Master Page Functionality
- Publishing and Applying Design Assets

Lab: Configuring Farm-Wide Navigation

- Creating a Custom Site Map Provider
- Adding Custom Navigation Controls to a Master Page

After completing this module, students will be able to:

- Create and apply themes to SharePoint sites
- Create publishing site design assets such as master pages and page layouts
- Use device channels and image renditions to adapt content for different devices
- Configure and customize the navigation experience for publishing sites