

## Advancing Careers in COBOL Programming: A Comprehensive Career Development Course

**Duration:** 40 hours

### **Audience:**

COBOL Programmers/Engineers

### **Objective:**

This career development course is designed to empower COBOL programmers with the skills and knowledge necessary to advance their careers in a rapidly evolving technology landscape. Participants will deepen their expertise in COBOL, acquire new skills in modern development practices, and develop a well-rounded skill set to thrive in the dynamic IT industry.

### **Benefits:**

- Upgrades COBOL programming skills with modern practices.
- Equips participants to integrate COBOL applications with contemporary technologies.
- Provides hands-on experience with version control and collaborative tools.
- Enhances database integration skills and familiarity with modern development environments.
- Develops soft skills essential for career growth and advancement in the IT industry.



## Course Outline:

### **Foundations of COBOL Programming**

- Review of COBOL syntax and structure
- Advanced programming techniques in COBOL
- Debugging and troubleshooting

### **Modernization of COBOL Applications**

- Integrating COBOL with contemporary technologies
- Web-enabling COBOL applications
- Introduction to APIs and microservices in COBOL

### **Version Control and Collaboration Tools**

- Git version control for COBOL projects
- Collaborative development using platforms like GitHub or GitLab
- Best practices for code review and collaboration

### **Database Integration with COBOL**

- COBOL-DBMS interaction
- SQL integration for COBOL programmers
- Handling data in modern database systems



## **COBOL in a DevOps Environment**

- Understanding DevOps principles
- Continuous integration and continuous deployment (CI/CD) for COBOL
- Automated testing in COBOL projects

## **Soft Skills and Career Advancement**

- Effective communication for COBOL professionals
- Building a personal brand in the IT industry

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