SIGNAL 2020 scholarship program



At Twilio, we've made inclusivity a core part of the foundation of our success: 'Twilio Magic'. We strive to build equality and belonging across our company in everything from recruitment to the events that we run, support, and attend.

May 20-21, 2020 we will be hosting SIGNAL, our annual customer and developer conference.

SIGNAL is an opportunity for us to bring together valuable members of our community, delivering a shared learning experience - empowering each other to fuel the future of communications. To achieve this goal, we need diverse voices in the room, honoring our values, and striving towards a future that is accessible to and inclusive of everyone.

We are proud to announce we are continuing to expand our SIGNAL scholarship program in 2020.

We have set aside hundreds of tickets to the main event May 20-21st and almost as many tickets for the full day training experience, Superclass, on May 19th.

Attendees of Superclass will enjoy a TwilioQuest themed shared educational experience centering self-directed learning and peer mentorship. Your journey will be supported by Twilio experts answering questions and offering deep dive break out sessions throughout the day.



> *"This was incredibly fun and I worked for several hours on exciting communication features while leveling up my development skills. From Basic Training and JavaScript Training Lab to Twilio Voice and Twilio Messaging, I gained a wealth of knowledge working with these innovating APIs. TwilioQuest 3 is amazing, the references and inspiration created a joyful nostalgia journey back into the golden era of the 90s. The '96 Bulls? Oh yes. Super NES graphics? Righteous." -*
> ***- Kristen Campbell, Software Engineer, 2019 Superclass attendee***

SIGNAL attendees will have access to more than a hundred sessions from a variety of industry experts, special guests, the epic conference afterparty, $BASH, as well as special opportunities to meet and get to know other underrepresented developers from Twilio, our Champions program, guests, speakers, and other attendees.

We are also able to provide a limited amount of travel assistance to help more folks from underrepresented backgrounds outside the San Francisco area join us for the event.

All you need to do is apply!

> *"things that I liked about SIGNAL and this program: I got to meet community leaders from all over the world, was able to give first-hand feedback about Twilio products meeting with engineers and PMs, and I got to play with Misty Robotics robot, and earn special badges on TwilioQuest" -- Nicolas Grenié, Developer Advocate, Twilio Champion, 2019 SIGNAL attendee*

Who can apply?

Anyone from an underrepresented group in tech is encouraged to apply. This includes, but is not limited to:

- People of color
- LGBTQIA
- People with disabilities
- Veterans
- Women
- Non binary humans



> *"My experience at the Radical Inclusivity event and at SIGNAL 2019 was mind blowing!! Everyone was so smart and so awesome! I had never heard of Twilio before but afterwards I was a huge fan. The products are amazing and the people even more so!!! I loved everyone I met and I guess they loved me too because I was hired a month later.😄💖" -*
> ***- Marlene Monzo, Solutions Engineer, 2019 SIGNAL attendee***

How to apply

If you're an underrepresented developer - apply today! Whether you apply or not, please share this opportunity with your network, and thank you for being part of our amazing diverse community of builders!

http://twil.io/signal-scholarship

Submissions requesting travel assistance will be accepted until **April 13th**. Any remaining tickets will be awarded to eligible candidates as they become available.

We look forward to seeing you at SIGNAL!



Please note that recipients will be responsible for arranging and paying for all of their own expenses beyond the cost of the event tickets. A limited number of scholarships may include some travel and/or lodging assistance on an as-needed basis.

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