How to Sign Up for GitHub Education (Student Guide)

Follow these steps to get access to GitHub Education and the GitHub Student Developer Pack.

WARNING #1 – You do not need all the extensions and installations that Microsoft recommends!

WARNING #2 – To get the free access to GitHub Co-Pilot, you will need sign up with your @temple.edu account

1. Create a GitHub Account

Note! It is important to use your @temple.edu address here!

- Go to https://github.com/education
- Click "Sign up" and fill in:
 - Username
 - Your @temple.edu email address
 - Password
- Verify your email address via the confirmation email GitHub sends you.

2. Go to GitHub Education Site

Visit: https://education.github.com/students

3. Click "Get Student Benefits"

- Sign in with your GitHub account if you're not already signed in.

4. Fill Out the Application

- Provide your academic email address (e.g., .edu email)
- OR upload proof of student status (student ID, transcript, or enrollment letter)
- Enter your school/university name
- Enter your expected graduation date
- Explain how you'll use GitHub (e.g., for class projects, learning to code)

5. Submit and Wait for Verification

- GitHub will review your application (usually takes a few days)
- You'll get a confirmation email once approved

Once Approved

You get access to the GitHub Student Developer Pack, which includes:

- Free domain name (.me from Namecheap)
- Free credits and tools from GitHub partners (Heroku, MongoDB Atlas, etc.)
- Private GitHub repositories
- GitHub Codespaces access

Renewal

- Access lasts up to 2 years or until your graduation date
- You may need to re-verify your student status to renew