

Command Line 1

Saturdays 11/9, 11/23 10:30-12:00
Tuesdays 11/5, 11/19 2:00-3:30

Students will learn the basic parts of a command, listing, linking, tab completion, file system structure and more. Required for those volunteers who go to post-build positions. You should be comfortable with computers to take this class.

Command Line 2

Tuesday 11/5 4:00-5:45

Learn key commands and concepts including users, groups, permissions, processes and scripting. Basic Command Line class or similar knowledge is a prerequisite.

Intro to Programming Concepts

Not available in November

Ever wanted to learn programming but found that just picking up a book never really worked for you? Discuss how to think like a computer so you can ask a computer to do work for you. Learn basic concepts that apply to all computer languages.

Linux Open Questions

Thursday 11/14 10:30-12:00

Learn the basics of Ubuntu Linux in this class that changes based on the needs and questions of the students. You may take this class as often as you would like. No sign-up necessary, but recommended.

Linux Playground

Saturday 11/9 1:00-2:30

Ubuntu, Mint, Debian, Fedora, ArchLinux. What are all these distributions of Linux and how are they similar and different? Explore the many different versions of Linux and try them out on our test machines. Learn the basics of installing your chosen version of Linux on your computer. Come prepared to move around the classroom for this interactive workshop. Hang around for our Compile Time class to learn how to compile software

Using Windows Programs in Linux

Thursday 11/21 2:30-4:30

Do you have a Windows program you can't live without? Learn how to search for Linux equivalents or try to make your Windows programs compatible with your computer.

We're looking for new volunteer teachers!

Are you experienced with GIMP or Inkscape? Want to help others learn how to use their first computer? Volunteer a few hours a month and help us expand our education program! **No prior experience with Linux or teaching required.**

www.freegeek.org/internships

Using LibreOffice Writer

Thursday 11/21 12:00-2:00

Students will focus on creating their own resume and cover letter to learn all the aspects of word processing programs like LibreOffice Writer (and Microsoft Word).

Job Search 101

Saturday 11/23 4:00-5:30

Don't know how to find job openings online or organize your job hunt? Learn important job searching etiquette, computer tools and how to follow up so you stand out from other applicants.

DIY CNC Mill

Tuesday 11/26 2:00-4:00

Learn how to create a computer controlled wood mill using parts harvested from recycled electronics. Students will have a hands-on chance to work with the materials and understand the underlying concepts behind creating and using a computer-controlled machine.

Leave No Trace in a Digital World

Saturday 11/16 12:30-2:30

Sometimes you don't want anyone to know what you're doing online. Learn how to surf the web and communicate with your friends anonymously. The techniques you learn in this class are to be used only for legal activities.

Anatomy of a Hack: Computer Security and You

Saturday 11/16 3:00-4:30

Learn how to protect yourself online from scammers, phishers and other underhanded hackers by exploring successful hacks in recent history and how to avoid them.

Establishing Yourself Online

Thursday 11/14 3:00-5:30

Learn the basics of how to create functioning websites using simple tools as well as other considerations of online publishing for a small business or hobby. You must have a currently-functioning email address to attend.

Intro to Wordpress

Thursday 11/20 3:30-5:30

Learn the ins-and-outs of Wordpress, the most popular open source blogging platform (& CMS) available. Students will leave the class with an understanding of the different administrative roles and plug-ins. Students must have Wordpress blog setup in advance of the class.

Intro to Web Technologies

Friday 11/1 3:30-5:30

Learn about a broad area of web technologies, including client/server relationships, the basics of DNS, how to choose a hosting provider, registering a domain name, the browser (and the browser inspector) and what role HTML, CSS and JavaScript play in building websites. Recommended before taking HTML or CSS courses.

HTML 1 & HTML 2

Friday 11/08 3:30-5:30
Friday 11/15 3:30-5:30

HTML (Hypertext Markup Language) is the language used to create the content of webpages. Students will create basic webpages by hand. Please take HTML 1 before HTML 2.

CSS (Cascading Style Sheets)

Friday 11/22 3:30-5:30

CSS (Cascading Style Sheets) tell a web browser how the content (HTML) of websites should look. Students will learn the core components of styling basic webpages by hand.

Javascript level 1 (4-week workshop)

Tuesdays 11/5, 11/12, 11/19, 11/26 11:30-1:30

Javascript is a versatile programming language embedded in web browsers, used to make web pages dynamic and interactive. Join us for a four week Javascript workshop that will serve as your first introduction to programming with Javascript.

Prerequisites: Prior HTML and CSS experience either from Free Geek classes or outside experience.

Bring Traffic to Your Website

Tuesday 11/26 4:00-5:30

Looking for ideas to bring people to your website? Learn tools and techniques to advertise your website to the rest of the world. Topics include search engine optimization (SEO), using social media, advertising in the "real world" and more.

Social Media for Organizations

Not available in November

Using Facebook or Twitter to connect with friends and want to find out how to use it for your small business or non profit? Learn the purpose, primary audience, best practices and tools for using social media like Facebook, Pintrest and Google+ to connect with and engage your customers and supporters.

Starting out in Online Sales

Not available in November

Learn the basics of selling your items online through services like eBay, Amazon and Craigslist. Participants will also have the opportunity to apply for an Online Sales internship at Free Geek to gain more experience with selling online.

What the heck are these things? =====>

They're called QR codes and are designed to be scanned by a program on your smart phone. This one connects to our class information page, but they can do much more like share contact information, maps locations and wifi passwords. Try it out, it's cool!



Featured Classes and Workshops

The Bowtie Brigade (First Robotics Competition team) Workshop Saturday 11/23 1:00-3:00

The Bowtie Brigade (www.thebowtiebrigade.org/) will join us again this month for an interactive workshop focusing on Lego robotics. Participants will have a chance to use a Lego kit to build and program a robot as a team. Participants of all ages are welcome, and anyone interested in learning more about how they can become involved in the world of competitive robotics are especially encouraged to join us. **Signup is required.**

Compile Time Saturday 11/9 3:00-4:00

Open Source is everywhere, but what is it, really? How do I use it, and make it work for me? Learn the basics of compiling software, taking open source code and installing it on your computer, even if the programmer didn't create a nice package for you.

Prerequisites: Command Line 1 class or familiarity

Giving thanks to our astounding volunteer teachers

The Free Geek education program couldn't exist without the amazing ideas, energy and commitment of our volunteer teachers. They give their time to help others learn to use their first computers, build their first websites, start down the path of programming, use the Internet safely, create digital masterpieces, and so much more. Free Geek cannot say thank you enough to the many volunteers who created and/or taught over 350 wonderful classes to more than 1700 students so far in 2013. **Thank you, thank you, thank you** Alex Fortuine, Ben Hengst, Ben Kerensa, Ben Koenig, Ben Sandberg, Ben Turner, Bethany Lister, Brandon Burnett, Carlos Castellanos, Casey Cushing, Daisy Calvert, Dan Bauer, Gordon Riggs, Jackson Cafazzo, Jeff Wishnie, Jerry Anderson, Joe Sapienza, John Bartley, Jon Barnes, Jonathan Leto, Joseph Herbert, Mark Bolden, Mikker Gimenez-Peterson, Mitch Besser, Nathan Burgess, Robert Cimiluca, Robert Gallup, Robert Love, Scott Morris, Scott Rivera, Sherry Alexis, Stuart Gaston, Terry Radenbaugh, Tom Slater, Tony Diethelm, Veronica Young, Wayne Flower, Wayne Warren, and the other invaluable people who otherwise contribute to our education program or may have somehow been accidentally excluded from this list!

Getting Started with Your New Free Geek Computer

Wednesdays 10:30-1:30

Saturdays 12:30-3:30 (excluding 11/30)

Volunteers who take this class receive one year of free tech support from Free Geek!* Along with volunteers in the adoption program, hardware grant recipients, thrift store shoppers and community members are also welcome to sign up and learn more about Xubuntu.

**Free tech support void if you make major modifications to your computer or change the operating system.*

Using Xubuntu Linux Saturdays 11/9, 11/23 10:30-12:00

Did you purchase a computer from our Thrift Store or obtain a Hardware Grant? Want to learn about Xubuntu Linux 12.04? Feel free to bring in your own laptop or use one of ours as we teach you how to use your new computer.

También ofrecemos clases en español

En Free Geek todos/as son bienvenidos/as para compartir el conocimiento. Si usted esta interesado/a en ofrecer clases de computación a la comunidad latina por favor comuníquese con Omar Vargas al 503.232.9350 Ext 113.

Línea de comando Esta clase volverá el próximo mes

Aprenda sobre las partes de un comando, el listado, la vinculación, la implementación del tabulador, la estructura del sistema de archivos y mucho más. Obligatorio para los voluntarios de Free Geek que quieren pasar a otras áreas en Free geek. Usted debe sentirse cómodo con las computadoras.

Descubra Xubuntu Linux sábado 11/9 4:30-5:30 sábado 11/16 10:30-12:00

¿Compró su computadora en nuestra tienda de artículos usados o se la ganó en algunos de nuestros programas? ¿Quiere aprender sobre Linux Xubuntu 12.04? No dude en traer su propia computadora portátil o usar una de las nuestras, en Free Geek le enseñaremos a usar el escritorio de Xubuntu; además, como agregar programas, cambiar el diseño visual y crear documentos compatibles con la suite de Microsoft Office.

Clase de Primeros pasos con su computadora de Free Geek Esta clase volverá el próximo mes

Estas clases ayudan a los voluntarios a configurar y usar sus equipos basados en Ubuntu. Están invitados a inscribirse los beneficiarios del

programa de becas y el público en general.

November 2013 Free Geek Classes

Free Geek's mission is to recycle technology and provide access to computers, the Internet, education and job skills in exchange for community service. We offer **free classes** on computer-related topics to our volunteers, thrift store shoppers and the general public in our facilities at 1731 SE 10th Avenue in Portland.

Pre-registration is required for classes, unless otherwise indicated. You can **sign-up at the volunteer desk or by calling us at 503-232-9350 x101.**

Out of respect for other students and teachers, please ensure you arrive at classes on time. Late students may not be admitted.

Class dates and times are subject to change. Please find the most current list of class offerings and times at

www.freegeek.org/classes

Are you interested in becoming a volunteer teacher at Free Geek? Do you have an idea for a class you think we should offer? Contact our Director of Public Services/education coordinator to get involved.

Questions?

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