

Application Details:

Preferred Providers of software talent

Dates:

11/04/20 Applications open - Preferred Providers of Software Talent

12/15/20 Hiring Software Talent: Session for employers & Preferred Providers (current and prospective)

We encourage you to join us on December 15, 2020 from 10am – 11:30am for a session with employers of software talent. Attendees will get a chance to hear from current Preferred

Providers, and gain further insight from employers about what they look for in entry-level software

talent. Register here.

01/22/21 Applications close: Preferred Providers of Software Talent

03/2021 Preferred Provides announced

Important links:

- Digital copy of the Preferred Provider application (<u>full designation</u>)
- Digital copy of the Preferred Provider application (<u>partial designation</u>)
- Skills criteria for full and partial providers
- Software talent demand report
- SoGo Application portal
- More information on Advancing San Diego and Preferred Providers on <u>EDC's website</u>

Updates to the application:

- The bulk of the application is for programs to share how they are preparing students with the skills that industry looks for in entry-level software talent. The skills criteria was informed by industry partners and has not changed since its initial development and accompanying Talent Demand Report in September 2019.
- We have added two sections to the application: diversity and inclusion, and history of employer engagement.

Updates to Preferred Provider benefits:

- While funded internship opportunities were only available to Preferred Providers designated in the first round, we are continuing to build out infrastructure that will better connect Preferred Providers and their students to career opportunities.
- We have recently launched a Preferred Provider map where all programs will be featured, and continue to direct employers to the Preferred Provider network for their hiring needs.
- We will continue to run industry engagement events throughout 2021 for Preferred Provider students. Schedule of events is TBA.









