# **Web Development Series**

# JavaScript Specialist



The JavaScript Specialist course focuses on the fundamental concepts of the JavaScript language. This course will empower you with the skills to design client-side, platform-independent solutions that greatly increase the value of your Web site by providing interactivity and interest. You will learn how to use JavaScript to communicate with users, modify the Document Object Model (DOM), control program flow, validate forms, animate images, create cookies, change XHTML on the fly, and communicate with databases.

By the end of this course, you will understand and use the most popular applications of JavaScript.

## **Topics**

### Introduction to JavaScript

Introduction to Scripting
JavaScript Characteristics
JavaScript and Common
Programming Concepts
JavaScript Flavors and Versions
Server-Side vs. Client-Side
Applications
Annotating Your Code with
Comments

# Working with Variables and Data in JavaScript

Using JavaScript to Communicate with the User
Using Data More Than Once:
Variables
JavaScript Expressions
Operators
Inline Scripting, Simple User
Events, and Basic Event
Handlers
Keywords and Reserved Words

# Functions, Methods and Events in JavaScript

Introduction to Functions
Defining a Function
Calling a Function
User Events and JavaScript Event
Handlers
Methods as Functions

## Controlling Program Flow in JavaScript

Controlling Decisional Program
Flow
The if...else Statement
The while Statement
The do...while Statement
The for Statement
The break Statement
The continue Statement
The switch Statement

# The JavaScript Document Object Model (DOM)

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The window Object
The document Object
The with Statement
The image Object
The history Object
The location Object
The navigator Object

## JavaScript Language Objects

Introduction to JavaScript
Language Objects
The String Object
Evaluating Strings
JavaScript Regular Expressions
The Array Object
The Date Object
Setting and Extracting Time
Information
The Math Object

# Developing Interactive Forms with JavaScript

Interactive Forms
Overview of Form Elements
Referring to Form Elements
The form Object
The button Object
The checkbox Object
The text and textarea Objects
The radio Object
The select Object
Form Validation

#### JavaScript Security

Issues
Browser vs. Operating System
Browser-Specific Security Issues
Browser Compatibility and ClientSide Detection
Script blocking
Differences in document.write
Among Browsers
Malicious and Accidental Coding
Frame-to-Frame URL Changing
Signed Scripts
Cross-Site Scripting (XSS)
Cookies and Security in JavaScript
Creating Secure JavaScript Code

Introduction to JavaScript Security

### **Custom JavaScript Objects**

Creating Custom Objects
Creating a JavaScript Object: The
Constructor
Creating an Instance of a Custom
Object
Creating Object Methods
Creating Functions for Your Objects

## Changing X/HTML on the Fly

Changing X/HTML on the Fly
Using the getElementByID Method
Using the getElementsByName
Method
Using the getElementsByTagName
Method
Modifying Attributes within the
DOM

#### JavaScript Libraries

Appending Text to the DOM

JavaScript Libraries
Choosing a Code Library
External and Pre-Made Scripts
Loading Your First Library
Using JavaScript Library Plug-ins
Best Practices with JavaScript
Libraries
Copyright Issues and JavaScript

### JavaScript and AJAX

Introduction to AJAX
Introduction to XML
Interactions Among JavaScript,
XML and XHTML
Using AJAX Scripts
AJAX and Servers
AJAX and Databases
Usability Issues with AJAX
Combining AJAX with Libraries
Alternatives to XML-based AJAX

## Debugging and Troubleshooting JavaScript

What Is Debugging?
Tools for Debugging Code
Testing Code in Various Browsers
Debugging Logical Errors
JavaScript and Mobile Devices

## **Target Audience**

The CIW JavaScript Specialist course is for individuals who want to understand how to fully use the features of the JavaScript programming language in Web application development. These specialized Web language skills can help you begin or grow a career in advanced Web development and technologies:

- Web developers
- Software developers
- Application programmers
- Client/server developers
- Desktop publishers

# Job Responsibilities

Implement and maintain hypertext-based Web sites using authoring and scripting languages; create Web content; use Web management tools and digital media tools; and apply human-factor principles to design.

## **Prerequisites**

No prior knowledge of the JavaScript programming language is necessary. However, students should be familiar with using the Internet, developing Web pages and configuring networks to a level consistent with that found in the CIW Web Foundations series. Knowledge of X/HTML code development is required.