

Building Blazor Applications

Course #: BL-210 Duration: 3 days

Prerequisites

Experience with the C# programming language is required, along with familiarity with HTML and CSS.

Details

This course teaches developers how to create rich-client single-page and multi-page web applications that use the C# language and the full power of the .NET framework executing in the browser.

Students will learn how to integrate client-side and server-side logic and re-use resources and models between both the front-end and back-end of the web application. This course also shows how to integrate client-executing Blazor code with JavaScript to take advantage of the strengths of both languages.

Software Needed

The required software is Visual Studio 2019 or higher. The free Visual Studio Community 2019 or higher may be used. The operating system should be Windows 7 SP1 or later. Several free tools are also used. These can all be downloaded from the Web.

Outline

- Introduction to Blazor
 - What is Blazor?
 - o Blazor Web Assembly vs. Blazor Server
 - $\circ~$ How Blazor fits into the Web Ecosystem
 - Setting up Dev Environment
 - o Creating a Blazor Application
 - Project Structure and Key Files
 - · Running and Debugging the Application

• Components and Razor Syntax

- Creating and Using Components
- Razor Syntax
- Passing Parameters
- Property Binding
- o Render Fragment
- o One-Way Data Binding
- Two-Way Data Binding
- · Handling Events

• Deeper Look at Components

- Working with Models
- o Lifecycle Methods

- Using Forms and Input Controls
- o Built-in Form Validation

• Styling Blazor Components

- Layouts
- Global styles
- CSS Isolation
- o Shadow-Piercing

• Routing and Navigation

- Defining and Using Routes
- o Route Parameters
- Constraining Route Parameters
- Navigation via Code
- Not Found Content

• Services and Dependency Injection

- Dependency Injection in Blazor
- Creating and Registering Services
- Creating a RESTful API
- Using Entity Framework Core
- Using HttpClient to consume APIs
- Create/Update/Delete Actions

• State Management

- Server Storage
- Database Access with Entity Framework
- Client Storage with LocalStorage

• JavaScript Interop

- Calling JavaScript from Blazor
- Calling .NET From JavaScript
- Use Cases and Best Practices

• Component Communication Patterns

- o Parent-child Communication
- Event Callbacks
- o Cascading Parameters
- Communication Through Services

• Advanced Forms and Navigation

- Using EditContext
- o Custom Validation
- Using Custom CSS
- Disabling the Submit Button

• Unit Testing Blazor Applications

- Using bunit with MSTest
- Creating a Custom TextContext
- Verifying Rendered Content
- Mocking JSInterop
- Triggering Event Handlers
- Injecting Services
- Verifying Component State

• Publishing and Deployment

- o Publishing Blazor Web Assembly
- Publishing Blazor Server
- Hosting Options
- Performance and Optimization Tips
- Deploying to Azure App Service
- Deploying to IIS
- Continuous Delivery with Azure DevOps