

Certified Associate AI Specialist with Python: 7-Day Intensive Course

Course Introduction:

The PCAI – Certified Associate AI Specialist with Python course is designed to equip learners with the foundational skills and knowledge to develop AI solutions using Python. Over seven intensive days, participants will delve into the core concepts of AI, explore Python's capabilities for AI development, and gain hands-on experience through practical exercises. This course is ideal for aspiring AI professionals eager to understand and apply AI technologies in real-world scenarios.

Day 1: Introduction to AI and Python

- **Overview of Artificial Intelligence:** Understand the basic principles and history of AI, including its evolution and current trends.
- **Python for AI:** Introduction to Python programming, focusing on its strengths and applications in AI development.
- **Setting Up the Python Environment:** Guide on installing and configuring Python and essential libraries for AI projects.
- **Basic Python Syntax and Data Structures:** Learn the essential syntax and data structures, such as lists, tuples, and dictionaries, foundational for AI programming.

Day 2: Data Handling and Preprocessing

- **Introduction to Data Science Concepts:** Explore the role of data in AI, highlighting the importance of data collection and preprocessing.
- **Working with NumPy and Pandas:** Learn to manipulate data using Python's powerful libraries for efficient data handling.
- **Data Cleaning and Transformation:** Techniques for cleaning and transforming raw data into a usable format for AI models.
- **Visualizing Data with Matplotlib and Seaborn:** Introduction to data visualization techniques to interpret data patterns and insights effectively.

Day 3: Fundamentals of Machine Learning

- **Understanding Machine Learning:** Explore the core concepts and types of machine learning, including supervised and unsupervised learning.

- Introduction to Scikit-Learn: Familiarize with Scikit-Learn, a robust machine learning library in Python.
- Building Simple Machine Learning Models: Hands-on practice in creating and evaluating basic machine learning models.
- Performance Metrics and Model Evaluation: Learn to assess model performance using key metrics like accuracy and confusion matrix.

Day 4: Advanced Machine Learning Techniques

- Feature Engineering and Selection: Techniques for enhancing model performance by selecting and engineering the right features.
- Deep Dive into Classification and Regression: Explore advanced algorithms for classification and regression tasks in machine learning.
- Hyperparameter Tuning: Understand the significance of hyperparameters and learn methods to optimize them for better model accuracy.
- Cross-Validation Techniques: Practice using cross-validation to ensure the robustness and reliability of machine learning models.

Day 5: Neural Networks and Deep Learning

- Introduction to Neural Networks: Learn about the structure and functioning of neural networks, the backbone of deep learning.
- Building Neural Networks with TensorFlow and Keras: Hands-on experience in constructing neural networks using popular frameworks.
- Training and Optimizing Neural Networks: Techniques for training neural networks effectively and optimizing them for improved performance.
- Case Study: Image Recognition: Apply knowledge to build a simple image recognition model, highlighting deep learning applications.

Day 6: Natural Language Processing

- Fundamentals of Natural Language Processing (NLP): Introduction to NLP and its significance in analyzing and understanding human languages.
- Text Processing with NLTK and SpaCy: Explore Python libraries for text analysis and processing in NLP tasks.
- Building NLP Models: Hands-on practice in creating models for tasks such as sentiment analysis and language translation.
- Case Study: Sentiment Analysis: Develop a sentiment analysis model to analyze and interpret text data from social media.

Day 7: AI Projects and Ethical Considerations

- **Developing AI Projects:** Guidance on structuring and managing AI projects from conception to deployment.
- **Introduction to AI Ethics:** Discuss the ethical considerations and responsibilities involved in developing and deploying AI solutions.
- **Capstone Project: AI Solution Development:** Participants will apply their acquired knowledge to design, build, and present a comprehensive AI solution.
- **Course Review and Certification Preparation:** Recap key learnings and provide guidance on preparing for the certification examination.

This structured 7-day curriculum is designed to provide a comprehensive learning experience, ensuring that participants emerge as proficient Certified Associate AI Specialists equipped with practical skills and theoretical knowledge.