

**RWTHAACHEN  
UNIVERSITY**

# NTU "KhPI" - RWTH Aachen Student Exchange Program

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# Aachen

- Aachen is known from ancient times and developed from a Roman settlement and thermae (bath complex)
- Westernmost city of Germany, Located at DE-NL-BE triangle
- Population ~250k
- Very young city (50k students)
- Was a capital of Holy Roman Empire (800-1562) and place where kings were crowned
- Aachen cathedral (ca. 805) was one of the first 12 items to be listed on the UNESCO list of World Heritage sites



# RWTH (Rheinisch-Westfälische Technische Hochschule) Aachen

- Founded in 1870
- Almost 50k students
- 9k+ Employees – The biggest employer in Aachen
- 147th place in QS overall ranking, 86th in Computer Science
- Greatly supports Ukraine (more than 1 million Euro in donations), 50+ students from Ukraine have scholarship



# Study Program

Year	NTU "KhPI" (240 CP)	RWTH Aachen (180 CP)	German skill obtained
2022	1		B1
	2		B2
2023	3	1	
	4	2	C1
2024	5	3	
	6	4	
2025	7	5	
	8	6	

# Key dates

- 09.01.2023 – 19.02.2023 – Marathon in Innovation Campus
- 01.04.2023 – Application deadlines
- 01.10.2023 – Deutsch B2 / English B2
- 10.2023 – Start of study

# Evaluation

- Up to 20 Students!
- Grades from 1st semester:
  - English
  - Higher Math I
  - Physics
  - Programming Basics I
  - Software Engineering Basics
- Language achievements (Deutsch B1/ English B1).
- Innovation campus selection process (Marathon)
- Marathon (full) counts as semester work in SE2023 and (partial – 1 week) practice in WE2023



National Technical University "Kharkiv Polytechnic Institute"

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NTU «KhPI»

# Innovation Campus

Where education meets industry





Innovation Campus is joint project of UFuture fund and NTU "KhPI"



- Established in 2018
- First (draft) run in 2019
- Fully integrated into bachelor study in 2020
- 27.01.2022 – Opening of final location



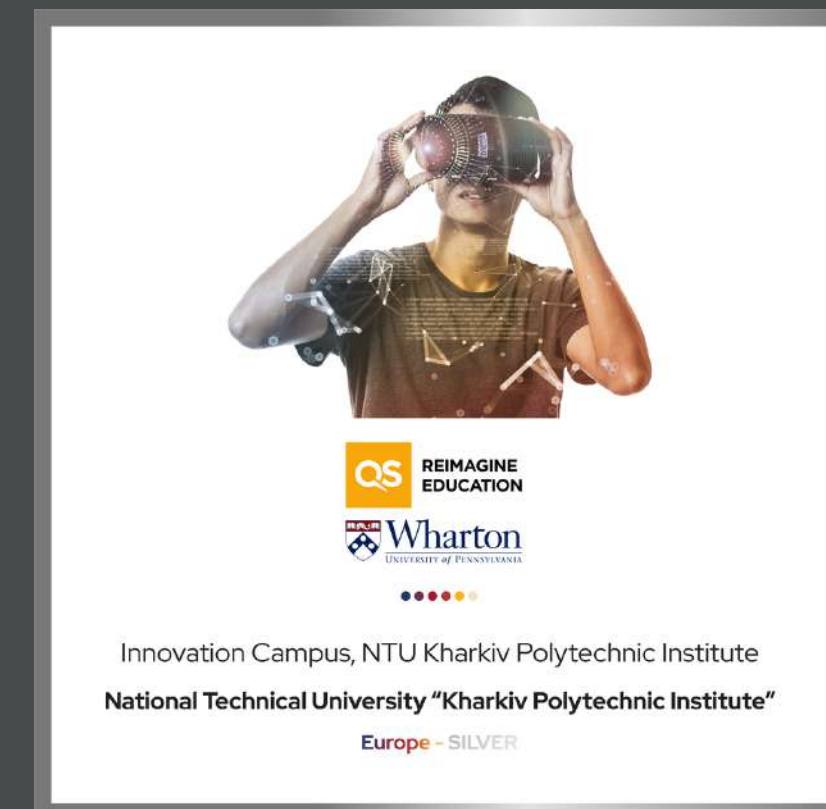


# International Recognition



QS Higher Education Summit

Silver Award in Europe region of 2022 QS Reimagine Education Awards





# What is your Dream (career path)?



Start-up  
(founder/engineer)



Researcher (bachelor →  
master → PhD)



Developer  
(outsource/product)

# What are the skills of tomorrow?

## B. Top 15 skills for 2025

1	Analytical thinking and innovation	9	Resilience, stress tolerance and flexibility
2	Active learning and learning strategies	10	Reasoning, problem-solving and ideation
3	Complex problem-solving	11	Emotional intelligence
4	Critical thinking and analysis	12	Troubleshooting and user experience
5	Creativity, originality and initiative	13	Service orientation
6	Leadership and social influence	14	Systems analysis and evaluation
7	Technology use, monitoring and control	15	Persuasion and negotiation
8	Technology design and programming		

Source

Future of Jobs Survey 2020, World Economic Forum.



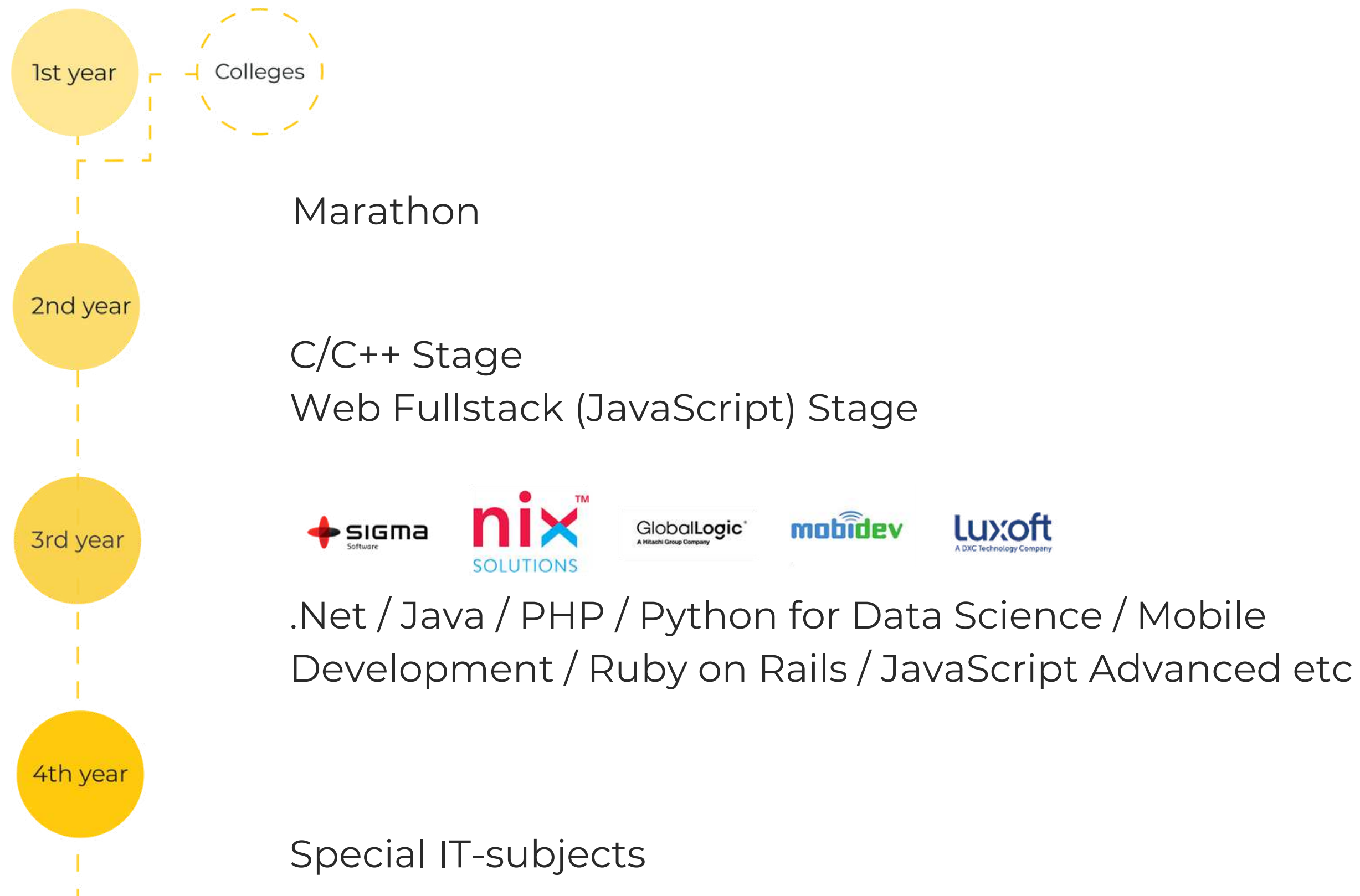
# How to get those skills?

- Challenge-based learning
- Peer-to-peer
- Individual & Team assignments
- Teamwork & communication
- Knowledge sharing
- Gamification





# Structure of Innovation Campus





# Silver bullet → Dual education

- ↗ Work where you study, study while working!
  - ↗ True individual learning path!
  - ↗ Close integration! No additional courses or academies necessary!
  - ↗ How do we achieve that? Company processes and requirements are integrated into their challenges!
- ↗ Full support from experienced employees
  - ↗ Monthly reports of your progress
  - ↗ Coworking zone is available at Campus
  - ↗ All your activities will be tracked by company and considered as a part of your study program!



# Rules of engagement

- (Almost) No lectures!
- No additional fee for Ukrainian students!
- You still have some math, English and sports obligatory!
- Everything is online!
- Do not forget to register to group assignments!
- Group should consist of 4 people max!
- Every group challenge (after Marathon) must be presented!
- Campus is available 24/7 (no sleeping allowed!)

# Worst mistake ever!



- ↗ No Plagiarism is acceptable!
- ↗ Team challenge doesn't mean the same code for all!
- ↗ First time – zero score for whole task
- ↗ Second time – say goodbye to Innovation Campus!





# Team



**Volodymyr**

Head of Innovation Campus



**Mariia**

University Communication  
Manager



**Iryna**

Community Manager



**Rositsa**

Companies  
Communication Manager



**Artem**

Technical Manager



**Gregory**

LMS Green Team Lead



**Pavlo**

Methodology and  
Technical Manager



# Let's Start!

- Start improving your German and English!
- Check your e-mail at the beginning of January 2023
- Register!
- Accept challenge!
- (Bonus) Ask you experienced colleagues for feedback!





Ask your question in chat!