Canonical Open Documentation Academy

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What is CODA?

Canonical's initiative to make open source contributions easier through documentation

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How do we do this?

A GitHub repository with a curated list of issues

How do we do this?

The documentation office hours

Every Friday

Meeting link
Recording index
Schedule

Why are we doing this?

Set a standard for collaboration

Our promise on community engagement

Reduce entry barrier for FOSS contributions

What does this mean for you?

A new model for collaboration

Contribute to tasks and solutions

Recognised experience

Networking opportunities

More documentation skills

What does this mean for the community?

More open source contributions

Meaningful contributions

First contributions to some projects

Continuous improvement

Resources

[GitHub repo](#)

[Office hours playlist](#)

[Discourse](#)

[Additional resources](#)

The story so far ..

We started in Jan 2024

Over 130 issues, from 15 different projects, with ~40 currently open

Issue consumption rate
- within hours
- closed in a day
- closed before assignment!
- open for months

Types of issues
- small changes
- tutorial trials
- new content design
- new functionality with coding

Some interesting experiences

Multiple assignees for a single issue

Multiple TAs for a single issue

Scepticism turning into advocacy

Considerable extra work for us

- not free labour!
- provide guidance about 'why'
- create simpler doc set
- try different approaches

Assignees

krzysiekwie

maxsaint-festin

Labels

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k-dimple commented on Mar 12

Yeah, I think you can go ahead and c

@degville would you be able to help

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activus-d mentioned this issu

Public cloud: Moved a how

canonical/ubuntu-cloud-docs

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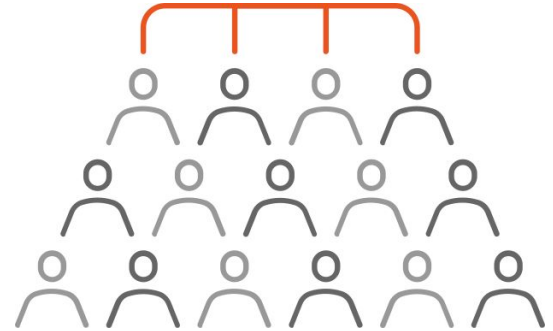
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Perceptions and dreams

Genuinely helpful, welcoming & educational
 - unlike a lot of open source
 - no closed door development
 - even small fixes are welcome
 - code of conduct
 - not a start-up

Similar academies for RedHat, Suse .. resulting in a super academy!

Thank you! Questions?

Email us at docsacademy@canonical.com