

Information Datasheet

The MSDN® Academic Alliance is an annual membership programme for departments that teach and utilise technology such as Computer Science, Engineering and Information Systems departments. The membership provides a complete, inexpensive solution to keep academic labs, faculty and students on the leading edge of technology.

With this membership, you and your department will have the latest development tools, operating systems, server software, documentation and technical references at your fingertips. In addition, students will have complete access to these tools on their personal computers and in the departments' labs for educational purposes.

The department receives numerous benefits as part of their membership:

- Latest set of Microsoft® platforms, servers and developer tools via regular CD shipments and a download website.
- Licence to install the software on any number of lab machines used by the department for instructional and research purposes.
- Licence to provide the software to students taking courses that lead to credit or a certificate within the department, so they can load the software on their personal computers for use in coursework and educational study.
- Electronic software distribution to students through "e-academy" Licence Management Systems (ELMS)*.
- Various technical support incidents in addition to access to the managed newsgroups and the Online Concierge.
- Private newsgroups where faculty can ask technical and administrative questions, collaborate with each other and talk with the MSDNAA team.
- A comprehensive Website that provides resources for faculty, including;
 - Programme information and news
 - Projects, tutorials, academically focused articles, and curriculum materials

The MSDN Academic Alliance Developer Centre: Invaluable Benefits

The new MSDN Academic Alliance Developer Centre is geared toward the unique requirements of the worldwide academic community. Visit: www.msdnnaa.net

The highlights of this new site include:

- Integration with the extensive MSDN library of technical content.
- Improvement of the overall site structure for easier navigation and finding key information.
- Improvement of content quality, including a new *hot* downloads section on the home page.
- Additional key Curriculum Repository content.
- Improved Curriculum Repository Advanced Search feature.

Costs

For Students it's FREE.

See if your technology department is an MSDNAA member at www.msdnnaa.com/search/schoolsearch.aspx

If they aren't members, see your Computer Science, Engineering or Information Systems department professor or department head to sign up today.

The Faculty or Department

There is a small subscription charge attached to cover media and shipment costs. Please visit the URL below for details and further information.

www.microsoft.com/uk/academia/MSDNAA

*ELMS is a software distribution website that each Programme Administrator can tailor to his/her department's needs. ELMS is offered as a member benefit to MSDN Academic Alliance member departments worldwide, so no additional fees apply in order to use it.

Products included in the MSDN Academic Alliance Programme

<p>Visual Studio® .NET™ 2003 Academic</p>		<p>Visual Studio .NET 2003 Academic incorporates all the features of Visual Studio .NET Professional and adds several new course management features, including assignment managers, documentation, and sample code.</p>
<p>Microsoft Operating Systems, SDKs, and DDks</p>	<p>Get more information and help on Microsoft operating systems:</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Windows® XP Professional • Windows 2000 Professional • Windows 2000 Server • Windows 2000 Advanced Server • Windows 2000 Datacentre Server • Windows 2000 Small Business Server • Windows ME • Windows NT Embedded • Windows CE
<p>Applications</p>	<p>Learn about the new a improvements to Microsoft applications:</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Visio® Professional 2003 • Microsoft Project Professional 2003 • OneNote® 2003 • InfoPath™ 2003 • Access 2003 • Microsoft MapPoint® 2004 • Virtual PC
<p>Server Platforms</p>	<p>See what is new with Microsoft's Enterprise servers:</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Windows 2003 Server • SQL Server™ • Exchange Server 2003 • Commerce Server 2002 • BizTalk® Server 2002 • Host Integration Server 2000 • Application Centre 2000 • Systems Management Server 2003 • Mobile Information 2002 Server • Content Management Server
<p>MSDN Library</p>	<p>Is an essential resource for developers using Microsoft tools, products, and technologies:</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Microsoft Windows CE Toolkits plus other key downloads - Leverage your Visual Basic® and Visual C++® knowledge. Build Windows CE-based communication, entertainment and information access applications for mobile PC users and remote offices using Windows CE Toolkits • Visual FoxPro® 8.0 - Visual FoxPro 8.0 provides the tools you need to create and manage high-performance, 32-bit database applications and components • SharePoint® Portal - SharePoint Portal is a new way to easily create Web portals with built-in document indexing, and management, while at the same time allowing managers to collaborate Web teams • Microsoft eLearning Library (MELL) 2.0 - The Microsoft eLearning Library Version 2 (MELL 2) Developer Edition provides high-level technical training and reference materials to help students learn real-world skills

MSDN Academic Alliance Programme Usage Guidelines

Intended Use of the Membership Software:

The software provided under the MSDN Academic Alliance programme, including all versions of the Windows operating system, is not intended to be installed on naked PCs or to replace the end user licence agreements (EULAs) that accompany and apply to such software. However, the software provided under the MSDNAA programme may be installed on naked PCs to facilitate instructional and research use.

Definitions of Instructional and Research Use

- Instructional purposes are defined as conducting educational classes, labs or related programmes for teaching and/or learning the products or concepts related to the products that are part of this program.
- Research purposes are defined as conducting not-for-profit research projects.

Definition of Department for the MSDNAA Programme

The MSDNAA Licence Amendment is not intended to be a blanket amendment for multiple departments or divergent disciplines, but to be an amendment for closely related disciplines that are almost always aggregated in a single entity such as a department or unit that is a recognised academic discipline. These specific entities may also be easily recognisable or identifiable through the institutions' course catalogues.

- **IMPORTANT:** These guidelines are provided for your convenience only. Please refer to the MSDN EULA and the MSDNAA Licence Amendment included in your initial shipment for specific licence rights.

Requirements:

- Programme software may be used only for instruction and not-for-profit research - not to run the infrastructure of the department.
- Membership is limited to departments within accredited educational institutions in the UK.
- Free downloads are available only to those students (other than continuing education students) taking credit courses within the technology department that is a member of the programme.
- Students may not have the media, they may either download products from a university server or check out CDs from a university library or lab.

