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LEVEL 02 OF 04 · ESSENTIAL

Azure OpenAI Essential Training

Design reliable prompts, call tools with structured outputs and build a grounded chat over your own documents.

LIVE ONLINE **Max 8-10 hours**	CORPORATE (DAY-WISE) **2 days · Days 1-2**	SELF-PACED VIDEO **1-year LMS access**
BATCH SIZE **Max 10 learners**	NEXT BATCHES **1st of every month · weekends: first Saturday**	CERTIFICATE **Verifiable certificate of completion**

Foundation	Essential	Intermediate	Advanced
1 day · Included	2 days · This curriculum	3 days · Next step	5 days · Later

INSIDE THIS CURRICULUM

What you will achieve	Outcomes and level focus
Who should attend	Audience and prerequisites
Agenda	23 topics · Foundation to Essential
Hands-on labs	2 labs
Formats and fees	Live, 1:1, self-paced, corporate
Trainer and reviews	Rajesh Kumar
Enrolment	Batches, payment, contacts

WHY DEVOPSSCHOOL

- Rated 4.6 on Google
- 1,500+ verifiable certificates issued in the public registry
- Trainer Rajesh Kumar: 20 years in industry
- Small batches: max 10 learners, every session recorded

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OUTCOMES

What you will achieve

By the end of the Azure OpenAI course path, you will be able to:

1

Build on Azure OpenAI

Create chat, RAG and tool-using applications on Azure OpenAI with the official SDKs.

2

Secure production AI apps

Protect, monitor and evaluate generative AI applications before and after release.

3

Scale and govern AI

Run multi-region, cost-controlled and policy-governed AI workloads for many teams.

WHAT THE ESSENTIAL LEVEL ADDS

Prompting, embeddings and grounded chat

Hands-on: Build a grounded document chat. Chunk and embed a document set into a vector store, then build a streaming chat that answers with citations and calls one business function.

WHO SHOULD ATTEND

- Learners who know the basics of Azure OpenAI and want to use it confidently every day.
- Professionals taking over Azure OpenAI work on a live project.
- Teams agreeing on a common way of working with Azure OpenAI.

BEFORE YOU START

- The Foundation level, or equivalent hands-on experience.
- You can already: Understand how LLMs work, set up Azure OpenAI, deploy a model and make your first API calls from the playground and code.
- Basic computer skills and a laptop with a stable internet connection for the live sessions and labs.
- This curriculum includes every earlier level, so it is complete on its own.

AGENDA · FOUNDATION TO ESSENTIAL

Azure OpenAI Essential Training agenda

23 topics. Each level builds on the one before it, so this curriculum lists every earlier level in full. Days are for corporate (day-wise) delivery; live online batches cover the same agenda in max 8-10 hours.

DAY 1 Foundation: Generative AI basics and Azure OpenAI setup

Included from Foundation

1. Generative AI fundamentals: tokens, context windows, embeddings and how large language models generate text
2. Azure OpenAI positioning: OpenAI models hosted in Azure, enterprise controls and differences from the OpenAI API
3. Model catalogue: GPT chat and reasoning models, embeddings, image generation and speech models
4. Access and setup: subscription, resource creation, regions and model availability
5. Deployments: deployment names, Standard and Global Standard types and quotas in tokens per minute
6. Foundry portal playground: chat playground, system messages, parameters and viewing generated code
7. First API call: REST endpoint, api-key header, a curl request and the JSON response structure
8. SDK basics: installing the openai package for Python or JavaScript and configuring endpoint and credentials
9. Prompt basics: clear instructions, delimiters, examples and explicit output formats
10. Token economics: input, output and cached tokens and estimating cost per request
11. Responsible use basics: default content filtering, data handling commitments and acceptable use

DAY 2 Essential: Prompting, embeddings and grounded chat

New at this level

12. Prompt engineering techniques: few-shot examples, step-by-step instructions, role prompts and output constraints
13. System messages: persona, scope, refusal rules and safety instructions
14. Function calling: tool definitions with JSON schema, parallel calls and executing actions safely
15. Structured outputs: strict JSON schema responses, parsing and validation
16. Embeddings: generating vectors, cosine similarity and the dimensions parameter of text-embedding-3
17. Vector stores: Azure AI Search, Azure Cosmos DB vector search and PostgreSQL with pgvector
18. RAG pipeline: ingestion, chunking strategies, metadata, retrieval and answers with citations
19. Chat history: multi-turn conversations, trimming and summarising long histories
20. Streaming and user experience: server-sent events, partial rendering and cancellation
21. Content filter configuration: severity thresholds per category and handling filtered responses
22. Prompt testing: golden question sets, regression checks and human review
23. Cost-aware design: smaller models where possible, output token limits and caching repeated answers

PRACTICE

Hands-on labs

You build these yourself during the course, guided by the trainer.

FOUNDATION

Make your first Azure OpenAI calls

Create a resource, deploy a chat model, test prompts in the playground and call the same deployment with curl and Python.

ESSENTIAL

Build a grounded document chat

Chunk and embed a document set into a vector store, then build a streaming chat that answers with citations and calls one business function.

HOW YOU CAN LEARN

Formats and fees

The same agenda in four formats. Fees are in Indian rupees as of November 2026; the course page shows them in your currency.

FORMAT	DURATION	WHAT YOU GET	FEE
Live & interactive (online)	Max 8-10 hours	Instructor-led public batch of max 10 learners with demos, labs, Q&A and assignment review. Weekday batches start on the 1st of every month, weekend batches on the first Saturday of every month.	**INR 34,999**
1:1 live training (online)	Max 8-10 hours, one-to-one	The same agenda, taught one-to-one by the trainer. Starts immediately, without waiting for the next batch; sessions planned around your working hours, at your pace.	**INR 99,999**
Self-paced video	1-year LMS access	All four Azure OpenAI levels, plus 20+ more courses and 50+ tools, at your own pace.	**INR 833/month** billed yearly at INR 9,996
Corporate (day-wise)	2 days for this level	A private batch for your team, on demand. Foundation 1 day, Essential 2, Intermediate 3, Advanced 5 (cumulative).	**Quote on request**

ASSESSMENT AND CERTIFICATE

Your progress is checked through hands-on labs and assignments at every level. On completion you receive a DevOpsSchool certificate of completion with a unique credential ID that anyone can verify at devopsschool.com/certificates.

INCLUDED WITH EVERY LIVE BATCH

- Every live session is recorded and stays in your LMS for a year.
- Can't attend your batch? Move to next month's batch.
- Free demo class before you pay.
- Free 10-15 minute call with an advisor or the trainer to check the course fits you.

YOUR TRAINER

Learn from Rajesh Kumar

Principal Architect, trainer and mentor in DevOps, SRE, DevSecOps and platform engineering, with 20 years across 8+ software MNCs, including Staff DevOps/SRE Engineer for a leading Japanese mobile-payment platform and Principal DevOps Architect and Manager in Europe.

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20 years in industry	**200+** corporate trainings
10,000+ engineers mentored	**70+** organisations coached

REVIEWS

What learners say

Rated 4.6 on Google · more reviews at devopsschool.com/testimonials and in our video testimonials.

> "Rajesh is very good trainer. Rajesh was able to resolve our queries and question effectively. We really liked the hands-on examples covered during this training program."
>
> Indrayani, India

> "The training was very useful and interactive. Rajesh helped develop the confidence of all."
>
> Abhinav Gupta, Pune

START YOUR AZURE OPENAI TRAINING

Join the next batch

Weekday batches start on the 1st of every month and weekend batches on the first Saturday of every month, with max 10 learners each. 1:1 training can start immediately; corporate batches run on demand. We reply within 1 hour.

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Next step after this level: Azure OpenAI Intermediate Training - Secure, monitor and evaluate Azure OpenAI applications, add agents and defend them against prompt injection before production.