

Skillsoft and Upwardly Global Bring Learning to Immigrants to Sharpen Their Skill Sets

Skillsoft expands collaboration to include Upwardly Global's partner organizations

BOSTON--(BUSINESS WIRE)-- Skillsoft, the global leader in corporate learning, and Upwardly Global announced today their expanded relationship that will offer Skillsoft's content to Upwardly Global's partner organizations. Upwardly Global utilizes Skillsoft's learning content to provide customized training and support for immigrant and refugee professionals to succeed in the U.S. job market and to achieve their full economic potential in the United States. This expanded partnership will allow non-profit affiliates to provide training for highly skilled immigrants and refugees to become more qualified for employment that matches their skills and previous experience.

With more than 43 million of foreign-born immigrants living in the US today, and the expectation that this will reach 78 million by 2065, it is imperative that foreign-born talent is able to reskill and upskill in today's economy. Using Skillsoft's ITSkills & Certification and Business & Leadership Skills content, Upwardly Global has doubled the growth and impact of its learning and development programs. The breadth and depth of Skillsoft's content promotes clear, easily defined career paths for learners to pursue.

"As the global leader in eLearning, we are delighted to support the mission of Upwardly Global with our extensive content library," said <u>Bill Donoghue, chairman and CEO of the Skillsoft group</u>. "Through this collaboration, Skillsoft's content is directly helping job seekers develop the skills required to re-enter the job market. This not only helps the individuals and their families, but also enables businesses to find the right candidate in the current talent crisis. We are very proud of our partnership with Upwardly Global."

"Skillsoft's deep library of training content provides our students with unrivalled access to the largest and most comprehensive set of corporate training assets in the world," said Liz Derr, manager of Curriculum & Instructional Design for Upwardly Global. "The courses provide immigrants and refugees who are unemployed or underemployed the opportunity to sharpen their skill sets and achieve economic stability. We are thrilled to expand our partnership with Skillsoft."

About Skillsoft

Skillsoft is the global leader in corporate learning, providing the most engaging learner experience and high-quality content. We are trusted by the world's leading organizations, including 65 percent of the Fortune 500. Our mission is to build beautiful technology and engaging content that drives business impact for today's modern enterprise. Our 500,000+ multi-modal courses, videos, authoritative content chapters and micro-learning modules are accessed more than 130 million times every month, in 160 countries and 29 languages. With

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About Upwardly Global

<u>Upwardly Global</u> is the first and longest-serving organization that focuses on helping foreign-trained immigrants and refugees integrate into the American workforce. The organization prepares newcomers for jobs that match their education and skills, and provides employers with the tools to create inclusive hiring practices so they can take advantage of this untapped and valuable potential.

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