



EAST CENTRAL COLLEGE INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY CERTIFICATION TRAINING COMPTIA, MICROSOFT, CISCO

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THE PROGRAM

East Central College's Information Technology training program offer industry-recognized CompTIA, Microsoft, and Cisco certifications through grant-funded courses. This program was developed to meet the growing needs of employers in the fast-growing, high-tech industry.

The IT training program focuses on a wide range of fundamentals and product-specific technology that enhances the student's ability to achieve industry-recognized certifications. Attainment of a certification enhances the skill set of high-demand IT positions. Training is offered to prepare students for employment in several areas of the computer technology information field.

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

To enter the program, students must have completed:

- High school diploma or the equivalent (documentation must be sent to the registration office)
- Application for admission
- A placement test as specified by the college (if needed)
- Resume or letter of recommendation from employer

PROFESSIONAL TRAITS

Those pursuing a career in this field should:

- ✓ Have strong problem-solving and analytical skills
- ✓ Be able to communicate effectively on paper, via e-mail, over the phone or in person
- ✓ Have strong writing skills, which are useful in preparing manuals for employees and customers

THE CAREER

Even in a tough economy, Information Technology is a rapidly growing field. Employers are always seeking qualified, motivated individuals with the skills they desire. With IT job openings being created faster than positions can be filled, industry-recognized certifications are a great way to open the door to a new career, higher salary, and increased job satisfaction.

EMPLOYMENT AND SALARY INFORMATION

The career outlook for computer support specialists is positive. By 2022, the number of jobs is projected to increase by 17%, a faster-than-average growth rate* when compared with all other U.S. careers.

Nationwide, median annual earnings of computer support specialists were \$48,900, or \$23.51 per hour* in May 2012.

The six industries employing the most computer support specialists in 2012 were:

- Computer systems design and related services
- Educational services (state, local, and private)
- Information
- Finance and insurance
- Telecommunications
- Wholesale trade

* Data provided by the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics



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DELIVERY METHODS

East Central College recognizes that most individuals in the program will be adult learners with full time obligations who are seeking ways to improve their skills and credentials in their field. To meet the need of all potential students, these programs were designed to enable the student to complete the course entirely online. For those with limited computer access or just wanting more of a hands-on approach, evening and weekend lab hours at main campus in the Union location are offered as well.

CREDIT FOR PRIOR LEARNING

Learning is not confined to the traditional classroom setting. Students can also obtain valuable education and skills in other ways such as on-the-job-training or through the military, volunteer work, self-enrichment, non-credit workshops or seminars and even personal interests and hobbies.

East Central College recognizes this and provides a way for students to translate real-world experience into certification so they can realize their educational and career goals.

CERTIFICATION OFFERINGS

1. CompTIA A+ (220-801 & 220-802)
2. CompTIA Network+ (N10-005)
3. Cisco CCNA Routing and Switching
4. Microsoft 70-680 & 70-687 Windows Client Pro (Windows 7 & 8)
5. CompTIA Linux+
6. Microsoft 70-410 Windows Server 2012: Install & Configure
7. Microsoft 70-411 Windows Server 2012: Manage & Configure
8. Microsoft 70-412 Windows Server 2012: Advanced Services
9. CompTIA Security+ & SSCP

Through the MoSTEM WINs program, students must complete one certification before enrolling in another course.

CERTIFICATION FEES

Cost of certification exams are the student's responsibility.

EXAM	FEE
COMPTIA A+ (1 OF 2 EXAMS)	\$89.00
COMPTIA A+ (2 OF 2 EXAMS)	\$89.00
COMPTIA NETWORK+	\$137.00
COMPTIA SECURITY+ & SSCP	\$191.00
COMPTIA LINUX+ (1 OF 2 EXAMS)	\$148.00
COMPTIA LINUX+ (2 OF 2 EXAMS)	\$148.00
CISCO CCNA (200-120)	\$295.00
MS 70-680&687 WINDOWS 7 & 8	\$150.00
MS 70-410 WINDOWS SERVER 2012: INSTALL	\$150.00
MS 70-411 WINDOWS SERVER 2012: MANAGE	\$150.00
MS 70-412 WINDOWS SERVER 2012: ADVANCED SERVICES	\$150.00

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